Southern Association of Forensic Scientists
2027 Annual Meeting
April 26-30, 2027
Beach House, Hilton Head Island, SC

General Meeting Information

The Southern Association of Forensic Scientists (SAFS) is a professional organization with a membership of over 300 practicing forensic scientists in a variety of different forensic disciplines. The members represent laboratories throughout the southern United States as well as other areas throughout the country. The SAFS conference attracts approximately 125 attendees each year.

Exhibitor Package:

Each exhibitor space will include a six-foot table, two chairs, wastebasket, and standard power cord (if necessary). Please contact the exhibitor coordinator below for any special needs prior to March 26, 2027. Your registration fee provides a vendor sponsored reception from 5:30-7:30 pm on Wednesday evening, which is an opportunity for exhibitors and conference attendees to interact in a casual setting. It also includes the Thursday morning Exhibitor Spotlight Breakfast, which is an opportunity for you to provide a 5-10-minute presentation before our plenary session begins. Additionally, we invite you to prepare a 15-20 presentation to be given during our discipline-specific breakout sessions Thursday after lunch. Finally, we invite you to join us at our banquet on Thursday evening.

Exhibitors may begin setting up at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, April 28th in the Ocean Room. Breakdown will occur on Friday, April 30th and must be completed by 12:00 pm.

Upon receipt of exhibitor registration and payment, you will be emailed a receipt as well as paperwork/information regarding shipping and receiving, along with a questionnaire concerning the presentations and banquet attendance. Vendors will be responsible for shipping costs.

Additionally, this package includes the opportunity to place a flier or other promotional items in our welcome packet. All items to be included in the welcome package each attendee receives upon check-in must be received no later than April 12, 2027. Please send to: Kristen Fripp Georgia Bureau of Investigation Coastal Regional Crime Lab 111 Isaac G. LaRoche Drive Pooler, GA 31322.

You are also given the option to provide a digital logo and short write up including website link (no more than ½ page) to be placed in our digital program available to all attendees. The digital logo will also be placed on our meeting website in our sponsors area. You will be contacted via email for this information after registration and payment is received. This information must be received by April 1, 2027, to be included in the program.

Finally, you will receive a contact list of meeting attendees to include discipline represented, employer name, and email contact within 2 weeks of the conclusion of the meeting.

Advertising Only Package:

Would your company like to advertise with SAFS, but you are unable to send a representative? You are welcome to place a flier or other promotional items in our welcome packet with this option. All items to be included in the welcome package each attendee receives upon check-in must be received no later than April 12, 2027. Please send to: Kristen Fripp Georgia Bureau of Investigation Coastal Regional Crime Lab 111 Isaac G. LaRoche Drive Pooler, GA 31322.

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Advertisement-only sponsors may also purchase a break sponsorship described below.

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Additional Opportunities for Sponsorship

Morning & Afternoon Breaks: Vendors wishing to sponsor morning and/or afternoon breaks will be recognized and given the opportunity to display their company logo on a placard. Breaks are assigned on a first come, first served basis. *Break sponsorship is $500.*

Promotional Gifts, Donations and/or Door Prizes:

Any vendor who wishes to donate items to be given away as part of the swag bag or as door prizes during the SAFS 2027 Conference will receive recognition for their contributions. Promotional items and door prizes are big hits with meeting attendees and a fantastic way to highlight your company. Any item(s) that your company would like to donate must be received by April 12, 2027. Please send to: Kristen Fripp Georgia Bureau of Investigation Coastal Regional Crime Lab 111 Isaac G. LaRoche Drive Pooler, GA 31322.

Address all exhibitor questions to:

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