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Built on a Century of Reliability: Hendrickson to Spotlight ULTIMAAX at IAA Transportation 2026

Hendrickson celebrates 100 years of its patented walking beam design and showcases ULTIMAAX at IAA Transportation 2026 in Hall 26, Stand B51 and outdoor stands H63 and K65

[Hendrickson](#), a global leader in suspension technology and ride solutions for commercial vehicles, will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its patented walking beam suspension at IAA Transportation 2026. The company will showcase how a century of vocational suspension expertise continues to shape modern commercial vehicle performance through solutions such as ULTIMAAX, an advanced rear drive axle rubber suspension system designed to deliver durability, ride quality and weight optimization for today's vocational fleets.

For 100 years, Hendrickson walking beam technology has helped operators tackle some of the world's toughest applications, from construction and infrastructure projects to concrete and heavy haul operations. At IAA, visitors will see how that legacy of reliability continues to evolve to meet current demands for efficiency, productivity and driver comfort.

At IAA Transportation 2026, attendees can:

- **Visit Hendrickson:** Hall 26, Stand B51 and outdoor displays at stands H63 and K65
- **Attend the press conference:** "100 Years of the Walking Beam: Timeless Reliability Driven by Innovation," Monday, September 14, from 3:00 to 3:20 p.m., in Hall 26, Stand B51
- **Schedule a meeting:** Visitors who would like dedicated time with Hendrickson experts can [schedule meetings](#) in advance to discuss specific projects, applications and vehicle requirements

At the show, Hendrickson will spotlight a portfolio of suspension, auxiliary axle and component technologies for demanding vocational and commercial vehicle applications. Featured solutions include:

- **ULTIMAAX Family:** [ULTIMAAX 26T](#) and [ULTIMAAX 21T](#), continuing Hendrickson's walking beam legacy with solutions designed to balance durability, ride quality and lightweight performance for severe-duty applications
- **Auxiliary Axles:** [MLA®3](#) and [COMPOSILITE® EXS](#), supporting vehicle configuration and payload requirements across commercial vehicle applications
- **Local Component Footprint:** Steel and composite springs, U-bolts and stabilizers that support Hendrickson's commercial vehicle customers

Grounded in the company's Reliable by Design philosophy, Hendrickson's IAA presence connects a century of walking beam innovation with the priorities shaping today's commercial vehicle market.

"As we celebrate 100 years of walking beam innovation, we're proud to expand our relationship with MAN and make the ULTIMAAX 21T suspension available to vocational operators across Europe," said Helfried Jelinek, Vice President / General Manager Europe at Hendrickson. "This milestone brings together Hendrickson's century of suspension expertise and MAN's commitment to delivering high-performance vocational vehicles, providing customers with a proven solution engineered for durability, ride quality and productivity."

[MAN](#)'s perspective adds further support for Hendrickson's ULTIMAAX focus on vocational truck applications. "At MAN, we are committed to delivering the right solutions for our vocational customers. With Hendrickson's ULTIMAAX technology, we provide a suspension that combines reliability, low

weight and a clear improvement in ride comfort,” said Friedrich Baumann, Member of the Executive Board for Sales & Customer Solutions, MAN Truck & Bus.

Beyond the main exhibit, Hendrickson’s outdoor booths will feature MAN dump/tipper and concrete mixer trucks equipped with ULTIMAAX, bringing the company’s vocational focus to life in real-world applications. The displays give OEMs, fleets, engineers and equipment specifiers a clear view of how Hendrickson’s reliable suspension and component solutions can support their next vocational specification. For the latest information about Hendrickson at IAA Transportation, including booth details and featured products, [click here](#) to visit our event landing page.

ABOUT HENDRICKSON

Hendrickson, a Boler company, is a leading global manufacturer and supplier of medium- and heavy-duty mechanical, elastomeric, and air suspensions; integrated and non-integrated axle and brake systems; tire pressure control systems; auxiliary lift axle systems; parabolic and multi-leaf springs; stabilizers; bumpers; and other components for the global commercial transportation industry. Based in Woodridge, IL, USA, Hendrickson has served the transportation industry for more than 100 years. Visit www.hendrickson-intl.com.

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