

Con Rules and Policies!

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Cosplay:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. Please be able to fit your cosplay through the convention doors. For the safety of you and others in the case of evacuation.
3. No exposed gentiles or nipples. If you can't wear it to a public beach, you shouldn't wear it here. Band-Aid police will be present. If you're wearing a skintight suit please consider wearing something over the crotch area, or a cover. You may be asked to cover up if you are found to be too public, though this will not be considered for cosplay contests, and you will not lose points.
4. Please wear shoes! Though if you are unable to get/make invisible shoes, you may remove them for photos. They will be ignored by the judging staff if you inform them it is for regulation needs.
5. Prop weapons should follow within these set rules, but maybe rejected at our discretion.
 - a. Real weapons, live steel, and decorative fakes are not allowed.
 - b. No pieces of real weapons may be used on props. -ie no barrels, no pins, no real hilts-
 - c. If your prop is a bow, please do not allow the tension of the string strong enough to propel anything.
 - d. If you are bringing arrows, use foam tips. Sharp/hard tips will need to be removed and left in a safe contained place outside of the convention area.
 - e. If your prop is a gun of any sort, please include an orange tip, and no actual firing mechanisms. If you are using a prop weapon that shoots foam bullets, please do not include any, or incapacitate the firing mech.
 - f. No live ammo, or metal cases please.
 - g. If your weapon is a blade, please do not sharpen it to the point of cutting.
 - h. If your weapon looks too realistic, you may be asked to leave it in your car or your room. If you need it for the contest, please include photos of both the prop, and of you holding the prop. Points will not be taken away if you have an exclusion card.
 - i. When arriving at the convention, please have your props checked in immediately. You will be given an identifier to show your weapon has been checked. If you cannot reach con-ops, and you enter through a secured door, security may check you, or escort you to the con-ops. If con-ops reject your weapon, you will be escorted off the property with the item in question and allowed back in after leaving the weapon elsewhere. You will be given an exclusion card for cosplay contests if the item in question does not fit in the guidelines.
 - j. All props for the cosplay prop contest must be present and fall within the guidelines set here, props will not be judged through photos.
6. Cosplay is not consent, please do not touch/take photos without consent of the person.
7. Please no rough housing with weapons, or actual fighting -except in the foam fighting arena- Posing and dynamic posing is completely fine though.
8. If you are worried about your cosplay, you can send photos and questions to the con-info email.

Card:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. All rulings made by those judging will be found to be correct. If you are doing a one-on-one competition, you may ask to have a judge proceed, or check the results. Official contests will be double checked for official results.
3. Please respect others, and their space. If someone does not wish to participate, leave them be.
4. If social distancing rules are still in effect, please keep apart, or use the dividers offered for contest tables.

Music:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. Please be respectful of the space that people need. Crowding too closely can cause issues with both people and the rules of the capitol.
3. No mosh pits. NO. MOSH. PITS. Please do not mosh. Moshing is a no-no.
4. Please do not bring props/bags onto the dance floor unless it is needed/is for the rave. (i.e. glow stick prop, medical bag) We will not be responsible for lost/stolen items.
5. If you are using glow items (glow balls, sticks on strings, hula-hoops ect.) give yourself space as not to hit anyone.
6. Please be respectful of performers, and the music they make. You might not like the song. But that's no reason to be rude.

Vending Hall Rules:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. Please be respectful of the sellers, and their wares.
3. If a vendor feels like a person is being problematic you will be removed from the vendor's hall.
4. Please be sure that you leave space for people to walk around you.
5. Be respectful of the rules of space -if they are still in place at the capitol-
6. Though your favorite vendors will be busy, please be respectful and wait your turn.

Photography and Press:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. A limited number of Press and Photography badges exist each year. Though you may contact us at info for info on purchasing more.
3. These badges do allow you to work with staff, and go backstage on most events -except those that involve guests, as press will have a set time to chat with them-
4. We also request you tag us, or send us photos, articles, blogs, posts, ect. For us to see how we can improve!
5. Photography and Press will also have the option to get cheaper tickets for extra items -such as food from the café, if photos or the food is needed for the press purposes-

Panel Rules:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. Panels may have a restricted number of people by rules of the capitol, as such keep in mind how many people may attend your panel.
3. Panels with over-flow may be offered to have another panel if a panel is dropped, or there is open space.
4. If you have 3 panels in the span of one weekend Shoufu-Con -or participating in 3- you can ask to have your ticket comp as an entertainer.
5. Please keep panels within legal guidelines, which include local government, and the rules of the convention center.
6. Do not falsify an emergency situation, no screaming fire, no hurting people, no calling the cops -without actual emergency- please don't cause a panic.
7. 18+ panels will take place after 9 p.m. You must present I.D. to get into the 18+ panels.

Autographs and Guest rules:

1. Please follow the guidelines for the Convention Policies, found in the Convention Policy area of our website.
2. Respect those who are visiting and guests please, they are human too, and need a break.
3. Have an item ready to sign, or camera to take photos with. The staff will not supply you with such, though you may purchase photos from the Shoufu-Con table.
4. No cheating the line or cutting. We allow place holding for up to two people only.
5. If Shoufu-Con staff, or guests ask you to leave the line please be respectful, you will be allowed signatures another time.
6. VIP guests will get their own signing times every day of the convention. If you missed or want a signature during non-VIP times, you will have to stand in line, though get a longer time with your guest/more items signed.
7. The times are set, so you may not be able to get things signed/photos at that time. We will try to accommodate you as best as possible, please be patient.
8. The autograph/photo areas work on a ticket system. The following are the rules for such.
 - a. You will NOT need the autograph ticket if you have VIP, but you will have to use VIP autograph time.
 - b. You can get tickets by visiting the autograph table or pre-ordering them online/in the ticket line.
 - c. The tickets are numbered, meaning that there is only a certain amount given per time available. There will also be a set number of “extra tickets”, these tickets will only be called if the first tickets finish before the set time.

Maid Café:

1. You can order tickets ahead of time online, or at the ticket counter, there are limited spots, so be sure to reserve.
2. Please, be kind to our workers, chefs, and entertainers. They are doing their best to help and serve you. Any complaints please direct it to the security that is present.
3. If you are removed, you will have a tag to keep track and ensure you don't enter the café again.
4. Stalking/harassing is against the rules, and you will be removed for the safety of the maids.

Convention Policies:

1. Shoufu-Con LLC under its sole discretion reserves all rights to restrict access to the convention without a refund.
2. By completing registration, you agree to the following
 - a. We may use your likeness in photos, videos, and media for promotional and convention purposes.
 - b. You agree to allow us to send you our e-newsletter. You may opt-out at any time thereafter.
 - c. By accepting the badge and participating in the activities you agree to, the convention, convention space, the members, staff, and Shoufu-con are waived from all liabilities and injuries sustained during the convention period.
 - d. You agree to follow the rules set forward by the convention space and will follow all procedures as made by them. They are also allowed to change or make decisions as they please.
3. All staff, managers, workers, and direct associates are allowed to revoke badge privileges.
4. Security only works on Shoufu-Con rented or owned property and cannot be used outside of Shoufu-Con property or rented areas. As any area outside will be under the control of the local authority.
5. If you witness a con crime -stealing, verbal assault, regular assault, ect- please call on security. If it escalates to be a larger issue, police will be called in. Your safety is our top priority.
6. Any and all lost items will be given over to security, then to the convention center lost and found. Shoufu-con are not responsible for any lost or stolen items.
7. If a serious medical emergency takes place on the Shoufu-Con convention property -rented or owned- a certified staff will step in, followed by a call for an ambulance. If the rented space has its own rules, those rules will be abided by first and foremost.
8. All rules are subject to change by Shoufu-con board members without the consent of the attendees. As new rules may be added based on convention years.
9. Showering is not optional! Nor is deodorant. If someone complains about smell, or a staffer notices, you will be asked to leave until you have completed a shower.
10. If you are noticeably drunk, high, or anything else you will be asked to leave.
11. Any and all assault/sexual assault/rape will be called on the police, and you will be permanently ban from the convention, and all events involving it.