

Code of Conduct

Support Staff

During the event, security staff can be identified by their bright green armbands. If an attendee has any concerns or issues, they should not hesitate to address them to any of the identified security staff.

Two Strike Rule

The UBC Esports Staff will enforce the Two Strike Rule in regards to the violation of any rules, regulations, or any other policies of the event. This will take the form of a warning for the first infraction from a member of the executive team or security staff. You must be honest when asked to state your first and last name by staff and failure to do so may result in additional strikes. Two violations will result in your badge being revoked and termination from the event premises, and failure to cooperate or comply may result in ban from future UBC Esports events. If necessary, the proper authorities will be contacted depending on the severity of the misconduct. (Serious violations may result in two strikes)

Any rules not elaborated on in this section will be elaborated on in further sections.

- All attendees must respect themselves, others, and the convention grounds by abiding the UBC Campus Rules;
- No verbal, physical, and/or cyber aggression;
- No damaging or vandalizing any UBC Esports or UBC Campus property;
- No foul, insulting, racial, inappropriate language and behaviour;
- Bicycles, skateboards, scooters or similar devices are not permitted on convention grounds;
- Assistance animals only (please refer to the Pets and Animal Policy section);
- No sexual misconduct, harassment, and inappropriate touching;
- No indecent exposure (please refer to the Cosplay Policy section);
- No engaging in any activities against BC Laws and Regulations;
- No possession/distribution of illegal items, drugs, alcohol, or weapons (please see policies below);
- No distribution of merchandise(s) or printed material without the consent of the UBC Esports President;
- Under any circumstance, staff and security have a right to apply a strike to any attendee that is demonstrating behaviour they deem inappropriate;

Safety

COVID-19 Policy

For the safety of all of our guests, staff, and VIPs, we are highly, highly encouraging masking at UBC Gaming Expo.

If you have a mask (cloth or preferably medical/KN94/N95), we encourage you to bring and wear it for the duration of the event. Staff will also have spare masks located at the check-in desk for those who forget to bring their own or lose theirs at the event. Hand sanitizer will be available and bathrooms are located nearby; we encourage attendees to sanitize and wash their hands often. Though we understand that it may be difficult, we also encourage guests to socially distance where possible. As a reminder, if you're feeling unwell or are exhibiting signs of any sickness, we kindly ask that you stay home for the wellbeing of other attendees and yourself.

Pets and Animals Policy

Pets must be on a leash, appropriately licensed, and exhibiting suitable, controlled behavior. The event security team reserves the right to remove an unattended pet if the animal is in distress or is creating a public nuisance. Guide/service dogs and approved emotional support animals (ESAs) are an exemption to this policy and are permitted in the event.

Alcohol and Substage Usage Policy

Alcohol consumption and substance use is strictly prohibited. All attendees are required to be sober while attending the event. Any attendees found to be suspicious of intoxication will be denied entry and asked to leave the premises.

Cosplay Policy

It is expected of all attendees to use discretion on cosplay content. Any exposure of private parts (including see-through material) is strictly prohibited. Staff and security have the right to remove attendees or ask attendees to change if their costume is deemed inappropriate or offensive.

Prop Weapon Policy

UBC Esports understands that some costumes may include prop weaponry. Attendees are permitted to bring prop weapons to the event, under the requirement that the weapons are distinctly recognizable as props rather than real weaponry.

At any time, staff have the right of requesting to inspect any weapon to ensure that it is safe and appropriate.

- No prop bladed weapon can be made out of REAL metal on the bladed portion;
- Guns must visibly and clearly be props;
- Functioning projectile weapons (crossbows, airsoft, etc.) are forbidden;
- Staff have the right to remove you or ask you to remove your weapon from the premises if deemed unsafe or inappropriate;
- In extreme circumstances, proper authorities may be contacted;

Photography and Video Policy

Be aware that UBC Esports will be taking photos and videos throughout the event. If you do not wish to appear in a photo, please let staff know and we will do our best to accommodate.

Photography from attendees is permitted, but it is expected that each individual is courteous to others and their surroundings and they do not disrupt proceedings or take up needed space. Excessive use of flash is not recommended.

It is expected that any photography taken of other attendees is taken with consent from the other party. It is the onus of the photographer to obtain consent from other individuals before taking photos of them. **A person dressed in cosplay does NOT automatically consent to being in your photography.** If an individual is taking photos of you without your consent, feel free to approach security.