

SWU Dubai Community Code of Conduct

Our community exists to create a fun, inclusive, and competitive environment for everyone who enjoys **Star Wars: Unlimited**. We welcome players from all backgrounds, cultures, ages, and experience levels. By participating in this community, you agree to uphold the following principles.

This Code of Conduct is designed to be **fair, enforceable, and rooted in mutual respect**, not punishment.

1. Respect Comes First

All members are expected to treat others with basic human respect at all times.

This includes:

- No harassment, bullying, personal attacks, or intimidation
- No discriminatory behavior based on nationality, race, religion, gender, or identity
- No hate speech, slurs, or demeaning language, even in jest
- No aggressive behavior that makes others feel unsafe or unwelcome

Friendly trash talk is part of competition. Disrespect is not.

2. Communication Before Escalation

Different cultures and personalities have different boundaries. Because of this, **your first responsibility is always to speak up** if someone's behavior makes you uncomfortable or crosses a line.

- If someone's behavior feels inappropriate, **politely and clearly ask them to stop**
- Many issues are solved at this stage through simple communication
- Silence can be interpreted as acceptance, even if that is not your intent

Only **if the behavior continues after being addressed** should the issue be escalated to organizers or moderators.

3. Fair Play, Trades, and Integrity

- No cheating, collusion, or intentional rule abuse
- Respect judges' and organizers' decisions during play
- Play with intent to win, but never at the cost of sportsmanship
- Do not intentionally slow games, angle-shoot, or pressure opponents unfairly

Trading Conduct

- Do not take advantage of other players in trades, **especially new players**
- Be transparent about card value and condition
- Predatory trading behavior is treated as unsportsmanlike conduct

Winning should always feel earned. Trading should always feel fair.

4. Inclusive and Safe Play Environment

- New players must be welcomed and supported, not intimidated
- No gatekeeping, skill-shaming, or belittling of casual players
- Teaching and guidance should always be respectful

A strong competitive scene is built by growing its community, not shrinking it.

5. Punctuality and Commitment

- Be on time for events, tournaments, and scheduled matches
- Repeated lateness disrupts events and affects other players
- If you are running late or cannot attend, communicate as early as possible

Respecting time is respecting the community and yourself.

6. Personal Hygiene and Table Etiquette

All players are expected to maintain **basic personal hygiene**, especially during in-person events.

This includes:

- Clean hands during play
- Reasonable body hygiene
- Clean playmats, sleeves, and components

This is about **comfort, health, and mutual respect at the table**.

7. Online and Offline Conduct

This Code of Conduct applies to:

- In-person events
- Discord, WhatsApp, and online community spaces
- Streaming, recorded matches, and public posts made in relation to the community

What you post and how you represent the community publicly matters.

8. Behavior and Venue Rules

- Follow all venue rules at all times
 - Any condition that results in disruptive, unsafe, or uncontrolled behavior is not acceptable
 - Anyone who becomes disruptive, aggressive, or unsafe will be asked to leave
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9. Enforcement and Consequences

We aim for **education first, enforcement second**. However, repeated or serious violations will result in action.

Depending on severity:

1. Verbal warning
2. Official warning
3. Removal from the event
4. Temporary suspension from the community
5. Permanent ban (for extreme or repeated violations)

Organizers reserve the right to act immediately in cases involving:

- Threats
 - Harassment
 - Physical confrontation
 - Ongoing targeted abuse
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10. Reporting Issues

If:

- You have asked someone to stop and they did not
- You do not feel safe addressing the issue directly
- The behavior is serious in nature

You may report the issue privately to a community organizer or moderator. All reports will be handled discretely and fairly.

11. Shared Responsibility

This community belongs to **all of us**. A positive environment is not maintained by rules alone, but by **collective accountability**:

- Speak up when something feels wrong
 - Support others who feel uncomfortable
 - Lead by example at the table
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Final Statement

We are here because we love Star Wars, competition, and community. Disagreements will happen. Tension will happen. Passion will happen. Disrespect does not need to.

If you are unsure whether something crosses a line, **assume good intent, communicate first, and escalate only if needed.**

This is how we keep the community strong.