



DNV Safer-Spaces Policy

Domus Nobilis Viae strives to make our House and Events a place where people can feel safe in expressing their inner nature and sexuality through BDSM, Power Exchange, Alternative Lifestyles and Pet Play. We strive toward self growth and open communication.

The only way a person can impact another's emotions is through actions. While each person is responsible for their own emotions, we all are also responsible for how unintentional, careless or outright malicious actions impact those around us. Every person will be held responsible for such.

Firstly, any person with a conviction for Stalking, Sexual Assault, or Domestic Violence will be barred for all DNV Events. Any person charged with Stalking, Sexual Assault, or Domestic Violence will be suspended from attending any DNV Events pending the outcome of the case, and may still be barred regardless of outcome. Any person with a Protection Order (Restraining Order) will not be allowed to attend any event the subject of that order is attending. A copy of the Order will be required. The Board reserves the right to investigate charges and convictions to determine the correct courses of action. Any person is welcome to report such legal matters to the House, which will be verified and acted upon.

If any person reports that another is engaging in actions that deteriorate the safety of our environment, they will be taken seriously and will be asked to relate their experience in confidence. A report may be made to any member of the House with whom the person feels comfortable. It does not matter if the incident happened at one of our events or elsewhere. Third party individuals will be asked to have the original person speak with us.

The incident will be promptly brought to the Master of the House for further investigation and determination. Our actions toward the reported person will be commensurate with the actions they have engaged in. Lesser offenses may result in warning, education or suspension of privileges, or any combination thereof. Major offenses will be met with expulsion, banning, and potential legal charges or lawsuits.

If the reporter is a first party to the incident, they will be notified of the intended consequences for the offender, given the opportunity to comment, and will also be informed of the outcome.

Any person who brings a guest to a DNV Event is responsible for that guest's actions, and will share in the repercussions. The person bringing a badly behaved guest will get spoken to, may lose their privilege to bring guests, or not be allowed to attend events for a set amount of time.

Some of the possible outcomes are that the individual may be added to DNV's Watch, Warning, or Banned Lists. They may be required to attend community based education or it may be appropriate to require them to seek licensed counseling. Many other results may be considered based on the nature and severity.

Types of behavior not acceptable at DNV include but are not limited to:

(Just because it is not on this list does not excuse anyone from knowing better)

- Violation of Consent, Failure to get Consent
- Coercive behavior
- Violating stated limits
- Failure to adhere to safewords (Universal "Red" in addition to any negotiated signals)
- Withholding or lying about sexual health
- Stalking Behavior
- Sexual Assault
- Discrimination, Harassment or Bullying based on :
 - sex, age, race, ethnicity, nationality, disability, mental illness or ability, body type, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity/expression, sex characteristics, religion, creed, relationship structure, kinks, or fetishes
- Rudeness
- Attempting to "Dom" anyone who has not specifically given their service or submission
- Photography without Consent
- Illegal drug use within the House or at House events
- Physical Violence
- Emotional Abuse
- Intimidating or Threatening Behavior
- Extreme Drunkenness and Drunk driving
- BDSM play while intoxicated
- Theft of any kind
- Kink shaming

- Failure to follow instruction of a Member of the House or designated staff.

No space can truly be safe, bad people will engage in bad behavior. It is our responsibility to educate people on proper conduct and minimize their ability to repeat their bad behavior. We need everyone's help in order to fulfill this goal.

Restoration

Domus Nobilis Viae wishes to see people learn from their mistakes and grow. With this in mind, there is a lot to be said for engaging with a restorative justice process. The idea of this kind of process is to help the people who have violated consent, otherwise harmed someone or the community learn how to avoid this in the future, and to restore their good name and position in the community. This process can include going to therapy, taking classes on consent, reading books about trauma, etc. In this kind of process, we set goals for how the person who has been accused can make sure they prevent harm in the future and can maintain or regain their status in the community. An important part of this process is to involve those harmed. It is important to get their opinion on what this person could do to make up for the harm and to be restored in the community.