

## ONTARIO CITY LIBRARY SPECIAL EVENT CODE OF CONDUCT

THE CODE OF CONDUCT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO PROMOTE A SAFE, SECURE, AND ENJOYABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL GUESTS. GUESTS SHALL BE COURTEOUS TO ALL OTHER GUESTS, PARTICIPANTS, EVENT OFFICIALS, ENTERTAINERS, CITY AND PRIVATE PROPERTY. GUESTS SHALL COMPLY WITH THE DIRECTIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS OF EVENT OFFICIALS, SECURITY PERSONNEL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Guests shall not willfully and maliciously disturb other guests, participants, event officials, or entertainer's enjoyment of the event by engaging in inappropriate conduct. Inappropriate conduct includes but is not limited to:

- Physical abuse, verbal abuse, threats, or intimidations;
- Use of profane, obscene or vulgar language or gestures, except that non-violent political speech or expression shall be respected;
- Use of fighting words or purposeful, malicious, or willful conduct that incites or provokes a violent reaction by others;
- Unwanted physical contact;
- Theft, vandalism, or destruction of property belonging to guests, participants, event officials, or entertainers including city and personal property;
- Throwing projectiles of any kind;
- Failing to maintain control over personal belongings; it is your responsibility to watch over your personal items;
- Blocking or interfering with free passage or creating a hazard;
- Smoking both tobacco products and/or electronic smoking devices, whether in parks per Ontario Municipal Code Chapter 13A of Title 6, or at non-park events;
- Operating unauthorized recreational and/or personal transportation devices (such as bicycles, skateboards, golf carts, go-peds, scooters or motorized carts), except by persons with a mobility disability;
- Discarding litter anywhere, except in designated trash receptacles;
- Having unleashed pets or pets on leashes exceeding six (6) feet;
- Not picking up and cleaning any waste produced by their pet(s);
- Unauthorized use of utilities (including electrical outlets);
- All persons must wear shoes and pants (skirt, shorts, etc.);
- Entering the event area barefoot or shirtless, or with poor bodily hygiene, per California Penal Code 370, is prohibited;
- Engaging in lewd or dissolute conduct pursuant to California Penal Code Section 647(a);
- Unauthorized soliciting of money or contributions for any purpose is prohibited, except for those who have a permit under Ontario Municipal Code Section 3-1.714.
- Unauthorized sale of products or services is prohibited per Ontario Municipal Code Section 10-1.18.
- Possession or use of outside alcohol or illegal drug.
  - o For events where alcoholic beverages are available, the following will apply:
    - Alcoholic beverages can be purchased exclusively within specifically designated areas;
    - Alcohol sales may terminate at any time at the sole discretion of event officials;
    - Guests who consume alcoholic beverages shall not violate California Penal Code Section 647(f) by becoming so intoxicated that they:
      - Are unable to exercise care for their own safety or the safety of others; or
      - Are interfering with, obstructing, or preventing others from using streets, sidewalks, or other public ways.
- For safety reasons, guests are prohibited from bringing the following items to the event:
  - o Aerosol cans; o Barbeque or other cooking equipment (unless approved by event officials); o Sound amplifying devices;
  - o Confetti or smoke-producing products; o Poles/sticks to display flags, banners, signs, etc.; o Camping tents;
  - o Firearms of any kind at an event not held at a City facility/building/park, unless under a valid Concealed Weapon Permit, pepper spray, tear gas, handcuffs, stun guns, explosives, brass knuckles, sticks, clubs, batons, martial arts instruments, knives, etc.;
  - o Firearms of any kind at any event held at a City facility/building/park, whether a person holds a valid Concealed Weapon Permit or not; o Any other item deemed inappropriate to the peace and good order of events or which may adversely affect the safety of persons or property by the venue or event officials.
  - o The list of prohibited items is subject to change at any time by event officials.

Minors aged twelve (12) or under who cannot follow the special event code of conduct and safely supervise themselves will be asked to be always accompanied by an adult. Minors aged thirteen (13) or over who cannot follow the special event code of conduct and safely supervise themselves will be asked to leave the event or be always accompanied by an adult.

## **VIOLATION OF CODE OF CONDUCT**

Violation of any codes from this Code of Conduct may result in removal from the event area, including but not limited to suspension from future events. Any decision from the Library Director or their designee to suspend an individual from future events may be appealed to the Library Board of Trustees, subject to the time and notice terms of the Suspension Letter. If a guest has a prohibited item, they will be asked to remove that item from the event immediately. Guests are encouraged to report inappropriate behavior to event officials. We welcome your help in providing an enjoyable experience for all guests.

## **MEDIA DISCLAIMER NOTICE**

During today's event, authorized parties may photograph, videotape, or film you. Your attendance/admission serves as permission for use of these images by the City of Ontario.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

For any questions or comments about this information, please contact the Ontario City Library at Library Comments@OntarioCA.gov or at (909) 395-2004.