



Berglund Center: Convention & Trade Show Rules & Policies

All rules are subject to change at the discretion of Berglund Center management to ensure the safety and security of staff, guests, vendors, and patrons within the facility.

Cosplay Policy & Dress Code

Remember: A dress code is not a moral judgement; if we ask you to change, it is for the safety and comfort of you, other attendees, and the hosts at Berglund Center.

Please respect and support staff upholding these rules.

Dress Code

- This is an all-ages space. We don't permit clothing that depicts nudity, profanity, hate speech, or adult content.
 - As a general guideline, your outfit should be rated PG-13 or under, and be appropriate to wear around children.
 - Patrons found violating this rule will first be asked to change. If they can not or refuse to alter their outfit to follow the rule, they will be asked to leave and can only return once their outfit is corrected.
- We prohibit costumes depicting uniforms worn by members of the military, law enforcement agencies, and all other government agencies.

- Costumes of fictional uniforms are permitted so long as they won't be reasonably confused for an actual uniform.
- Large or bulky costumes must be able to fit through a standard doorway (36" wide) to comply with fire safety rules.
 - If a costume restricts ventilation or visibility, we request that the cosplayer have a handler escort them through the convention.
- Costumes and props may not generate smoke, fog, steam, or odors. Costumes with speakers are permitted so long as audio output is kept to a reasonable volume and the audio isn't continuous (e.g. music or alarm sounds). Exceptions to some of these rules may be made for contestants at the time when they participate in the Cosplay Contest, but **only** with prior approval by the event manager & contest coordinator.

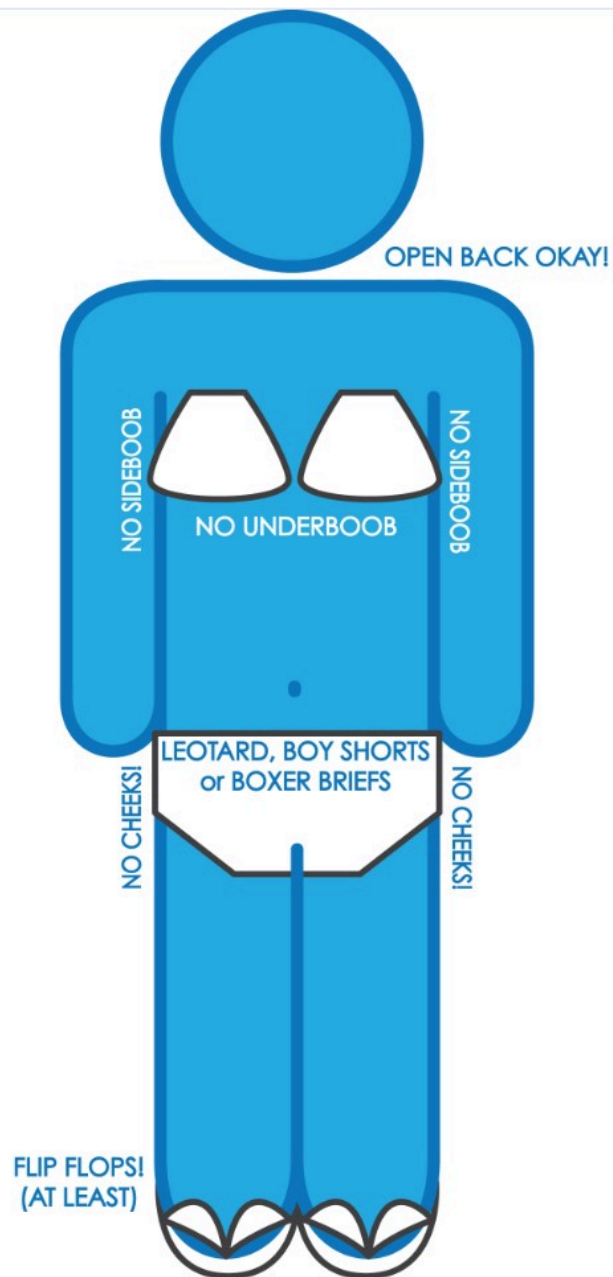
Cosplay Props & Weapons

- Cosplay props and weapons must be registered and tagged at a prop check station promptly upon arrival.
 - The event is responsible for finding space for this prop check table & Berglund Center security will perform the checks.
 - Prop check ribbons are required and must be easily visible to staff at all times
- No real weapons, or any items that could be easily mistaken for weapons, may be carried either openly or concealed at any time in event space, regardless of concealed carry permits.
- **All** prop guns must have an orange tip.

Items that are never permitted for any reason:

- Live firearms, including airsoft, BB, & paintball guns
- Live ammunition, flammable materials, or explosives, including fireworks & sparklers
- Loaded prop guns, water guns, or other projectile weaponry/toys
- Metal prop, including pipes, poles, swords, knives, guns, large chains, etc
 - This also includes plates worn for sliding across the floors.
- Items or devices that create smoke, fog, or similar output
- Nunchucks, paddles, or items designed to be swung
- Roller skates, inline skates, Heelys, or stilts

Cosplay Guidelines - What Must Be Covered



*Flip flops (at least) must be worn at all times in the event space. No patron may enter without a form of shoe on their feet for their safety and the safety of others. These can be removed for photos and for the cosplay contest, but must be put back on as soon as reasonably possible.