

Salinas Valley Comic Con Attendee Guidelines

Salinas Valley Comic Con (SVCC), the National Steinbeck Center (NSC), Salinas Public Library (SPL) and Hartnell College.

Code of Conduct

All attendees are expected to adhere to commonly held rules for public behavior, personal interaction, common courtesy, and respect for private property. Harassment and offensive behavior will not be tolerated. If an attendee finds themselves in a situation where they fear for their safety or are subjected to any harassment, locate the nearest security or staff member so that the situation can be handled immediately. In an emergency, always immediately call 911. Salinas Valley Comic Con reserves the right to expel any who do not adhere to these guidelines, without refund.

Costumes

- Costumes and accessories must not be harmful to yourself or those around you.
- Simulated or costume weapons are allowed as a part of your costume, subject to prior approval by security.
- All costume weapons must be inspected by security in the lobby.
- All costume weapons must conform to state and federal law.
- Projectile costume weapons must be rendered inoperable.
- Costume swords will be tied so that they can't be drawn.
- After each person's costume weapon has been checked, it will be tagged by security.
- Security will escort you to the security station for inspection if your costume weapon is not tagged.
- Costumes should not display offensive symbolism or gestures.
- We ask that costumes are appropriate for all ages.
- Play-fighting or mock battles are not allowed in any Con areas

Anyone not in compliance may be denied access until they modify their apparel to convention regulations.

Disallowed

- Pets. Only licensed service animals will be allowed into the convention.
- Handcarts, trolleys, rolling luggage.
- Remote controlled devices such as drones, heelys, hoverboards, or cars.
- Smoking is not allowed in Salinas Valley Comic Con. This includes e-cigarettes and vaporizers.
- Salinas Valley Comic Con does not allow video or audio recording in panels, workshops, of cosplayers, or other Con-goers without prior permission. If you are taking photos inside the convention, we ask that you observe the Code of Conduct, both of SVCC and Hartnell College.
- Filming or photography for any means, other than recreational or self-promotion is strictly prohibited. All filming/media request must be submitted to the NSC team prior to December 15th to eric@steinbeck.org
- Respect others and ask for permission to video or photograph anyone. **Cosplay is NOT consent.**
- Illicit and/or illegal substances.

Salinas Valley Comic Con, The National Steinbeck Center, and Hartnell College reserve the right to change or modify any policy or rule anytime and without notice.

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