

Blerdcon Cosplay Policies

These policies are in place in order to ensure safety and responsible behavior while attending Blerdcon.

Cosplay Rules:

- All cosplay must cover the same areas of the body as required at a family-friendly American water park or beach. Areas must be sufficiently covered when walking, sitting, or standing.
- All cosplay must allow the wearer to easily fit through doorways, and safely on elevators and escalators.
- All cosplay must not impede you or others' ability to safely traverse the hotel in case of an emergency. If it limits your motion or senses, you must be able to remove or adjust it quickly in an emergency.
- All cosplay cannot contain full metal armor or full chain mail. Refer to Blerdcon Safety during the event if in doubt.
- All cosplay cannot have sharp points, blades, claws, spikes or edges, no matter the material.
- All cosplay can not include inflammatory or derogatory language or imagery, including but not limited to:
 - Racist, sexist, homophobic, transphobic, or otherwise prejudiced or bigoted language or imagery.
 - Uncensored curse words.
 - Pornographic statements or imagery.
 - Replicating the appearance or uniform of a person or object that has served as a symbol of prejudice or bigotry (e.g, Nazi imagery).
- Signs with pickets or posts are not allowed unless the possession of the sign is canonically attributed to the character being portrayed. Additionally, they must follow the guidelines above regarding language and imagery, and must follow the guidelines of our Weapons and Props Policy.
- Handheld signs are allowed as long as they do not contain derogatory language or imagery, as outlined above. Handheld signs should not exceed 3 feet in length and 2 feet in width.
- Flags and banners are allowed, provided that they follow the guidelines above regarding language and imagery, and they are not excessively large. The cosplayer must be able to hold it easily without any portion dragging on the floors or escalators. Additionally, any mounting (poles/pickets) must confirm to the Weapons and Props Policy.
- Signs that are meant to solicit behavior from other attendees (“Free Hugs” “Donations”, etc), are not allowed.
- Skates and scooters are not allowed to be used in the hotel. You are allowed to take pictures in skates if they are part of the cosplay, however, using them is prohibited.
- Cosplays that uses sounds or lighting are allowed as long as they are not excessively loud or bright. Users must also be able to easily switch the sound or light off if it is found to be disruptive at their location (e.g., attending a panel).