

Introduction

Within Blueshell and all her communication channels, events, and communities; the actions listed below, hereafter referred to as “rules” or “the rules”, and/or advocating in favour of breaking these rules, are/is forbidden. In the case that the Blueshell Board, hereafter referred to as “Board” or “the Board”, determines that one or more of the rules and/or the spirit behind the rules is broken, this may result in punishment. In all cases, at the moment, the Board has the final say on whether or not the rules or the spirit behind the rules were broken.

Rules

1. Direct and/or indirect differentiation

A person and/or group shall not treat groups and/or individuals differently in a similar situation on the basis of religion, life philosophy, political orientation, race, gender, nationality, sexuality, relationship status. *Leniency 1 might apply.*

2. Direct and/or indirect insulting or harassment

A person and/or group shall not insult or harass groups and/or individuals including, but not limited to, on the basis of religion, life philosophy, political orientation, race, gender, nationality, sexuality, relationship status. *Leniency 1 might apply.*

3. Inappropriate content

A person and/or group shall not post and/or link to content (including but not limited to: images, text, websites, communication channels, applications) inappropriate to the current communication channel, event and/or community; Examples of which include but are not limited to: sexual content, excessive cursing, gore, faeces, illegal (political) factions and/or groups. *Leniency 2 might apply.*

4. Disruptive behaviour

A person and/or group shall not disrupt communication, channels, events, communities with disruptive content. Including but not limited to: quickly sending big, frequent things ("spam"), pings, messages, images, posting computer/application breaking content. *Leniency 2 might apply.*

5. Promotion

A person and/or group shall not promote themselves, their work, discord channels or other external entities that they are associated with, without explicit permission of the Board. The two exceptions being:

1. Sporadically promoting your stream when you start streaming.
2. Art, creations, content: Posting your own created/modified art, creations, content in the content channel.

6. Channel-inappropriate content

A person and/or group shall not talk about and/or post, link to subjects which are better fit to be talked about in other more appropriate channels. Examples: Do not talk about CS:GO in the league of legends chat, do it in the CS:GO chat. Do talk about the upcoming LEC tourneys in #esports-talk or #league-of-legends. Do not discuss what the best waffle is in general chat, discuss this in #discussions. *Leniency 3 & 4 might apply.*

Leniencies

1. The Board might show some leniency with regards to rules 1 & 2 in the case that it is used in a comedic sense and that this it is reasonably clear before further clarification from the comment and/or the context, to all who have access that this was indeed comedic sense. In the case of doubt this is still a violation!
2. The Board might show some leniency with regards to rule 3 & rule 4 in the case of conversations in our “memes” and “dank-memes” channel on the Blueshell Discord server.
3. The Board might show some leniency with regards to rule 6 in case that the held conversation was rather short, and/or was moved to the appropriate channel.
4. The Board might show some leniency with regards to rule 6 in case the conversation was held in general chat and the conversation was not disrupting.

General Notes

ModeruCie, in case that at least 3 ModeruCie members vouch that it is necessary, and the Board reserves the right to stop a conversation/ temporarily mute (some of) the people involved if they do not stop. In the case that they suspect that one of the rules has been violated by the conversation at hand. In case of (potential) conflict, the people in question first try to resolve the conflict themselves by being respectful, and reasoning with each other. Before contacting the Board and/or ModeruCie to step in.

When discussing/talking about topics of (potentially) sensitive subjects, you are expected to be extra wary of your formulation! Most topics can be discussed/talked about in a civil and open way, this depends on the participants to appropriately, and properly, formulate their statements.

Example 1: Do not say: People in group A are criminals because of their beliefs. [This is a claim where the way of wording violates rule 2, and is thus a punishable offence! Unless the belief itself is illegal.]

Example 2: Do say: The criminality records of group A are higher than the average *(insert source/sources)*, could this originate from their beliefs or might there be other aspects at play? [This is a (factual) statement, followed by an open question. Depending on context, for example if it is not a violation of (the spirit of) rule 2 by stating rhetorical questions, then this is generally not a violation.]

Punishment

The Board has the right, based on Article 5.5 of the Domestic regulations (' Artikel 5.5 Huiselijk reglement') to punish a member for their misbehaviour ('wangedrag'). These punishments can take the shape of, temporary or permanent muting in community channels, Revoking temporarily or permanently the right to join and/or use community channels, events, communities. Temporary suspension ('schorsing') of the member, up to a maximal duration of one full year.

A member always retains the right to object to a punishment at the first following GMM ('ALV') after the punishment as stated in Article 5.5 of the Domestic regulations (' Artikel 5.5 Huiselijk reglement').

Note: The Dutch versions of the Domestic regulations (= Huiselijk reglement) and statutes (= Statuten) are the binding documents, the English translations are only there to help our members interpret the documents.