

Take a chill pill before writing in or joining any channel

🦅 This Server Follows U.S. Free Speech Laws and Discord TOS 🦅

🦅 The rules below are an adaptation of and a reminder about these laws 🦅

Article I: Protected Speech

§1.1 Political speech

§1.2 Offensive or hateful speech

§1.3 Hate speech is not illegal, unless it crosses into the prohibited categories under Article II

§1.4 Server Age Requirement: All members must be 18 years or older. Any member found to be underage will be removed immediately and may reapply upon reaching 18. Lying about age is grounds for permanent ban

Article II: Prohibited Content

§2.1 Direct threats of violence, or instructions for committing crime

§2.2 Incitement to immediate unlawful action

§2.3 Doxxing (sharing someone's private personal information without consent)

§2.4 Impersonation of individuals, groups, or organizations

§2.5 Spam, including excessive messages, unsolicited advertisements, or server raiding

§2.6 Malware, viruses, or malicious links

§2.7 Harassment/stalking

§2.8 Bullying or targeted intimidation of individuals

§2.9 Sexual harassment

§2.10 Unwanted romantic or sexual advances: Continuing to flirt with or pursue someone romantically/sexually after being asked to stop is prohibited. "Stop" requests include direct requests, requests communicated through a third party on their behalf, or moderator intervention based on reports

§2.11 CSAM or any sexual content involving minors

§2.12 Revenge porn or non-consensual intimate images

§2.13 Recording or capturing video/audio without consent: Recording voice chats, video calls, screenshotting someone's webcam feed, or capturing video content without explicit consent from all parties involved is prohibited. Text message screenshots for moderation purposes are permitted

§2.14 Fraud, scams, or deliberate misinformation: Running scams, phishing attempts, spreading deliberately false information to deceive or manipulate members, or engaging in fraudulent activities is prohibited

§2.15 Selling drugs

§2.16 Ban evasion: Using alternate accounts to circumvent temporary or permanent bans is prohibited and will result in permanent ban of all associated accounts

§2.17 Coordinating raids or brigading: Organizing attacks on other servers, users, or coordinating mass reporting/voting manipulation is prohibited

§2.18 NSFW content outside designated channels: Sexual, violent, or graphic content must be posted only in age-restricted NSFW channels with appropriate content warnings (if applicable)

§2.19 Excessive self-promotion: Unsolicited advertising, repeated self-promotion, or commercial spam without moderator approval is prohibited

§2.20 Unauthorized bot usage: Adding bots to the server without moderator approval is prohibited. Using bots to automate rule violations (spam, vote manipulation, harassment, etc.) will result in immediate ban for both the user and removal of the bot

Article III: Discussion Guidelines (*Not Rules*)

Section A: Roasting & Banter

Mutual roasting and banter between willing participants is allowed, but with important limits:

§3.1 Proportionality — If you roast someone, you can be roasted back at a similar level of intensity. Escalating from light jokes to severe attacks is not acceptable. Personal insults that attack someone's character, family, or private life go beyond playful roasting and are prohibited.

§3.2 No Pile-Ons — Multiple people ganging up on one person is bullying, even if that person roasted someone first. Exception: Brief, lighthearted group teasing is acceptable if it's short-lived and stops when asked.

§3.3 Respect the "Time Out" — If someone says they want to stop or disengage, continuing is harassment. Either party can end the exchange at any time. However, if you initiate roasting, the other person has the right to respond proportionally before you can call "time out."

§3.4 Respect Non-Participants — If someone explicitly states they don't participate in roasting or prefer not to be involved in banter, respect their boundary. This is different from a mid-exchange "time out" - it's a general preference that should be honored by all members. However, if someone claims this opt-out status but then initiates roasting others, they waive their immunity and can be roasted back.

§3.5 Context Matters — Roasting someone once doesn't give others unlimited license to harass them forever. Using roasting as cover for genuine harassment is prohibited and will be treated as a violation of Article II.

Section B: Channel Etiquette

§3.6 No Gatekeeping — You cannot demand someone leave a public channel, kick them, or exclude them simply because you don't want them there. Public channels are open to all members.

§3.7 Respect Private Conversations — If a channel or voice chat is marked as "private" or "personal discussion," ask for permission before joining the conversation. This respects boundaries while maintaining community openness.

§3.8 Voice Channel Inclusivity — In voice channels with multiple participants, avoid extended one-on-one conversations that exclude others. When possible, move private discussions to a separate voice channel to keep the main space inclusive.

§3.9 Respect Ongoing Activities — If a channel is being used for a coordinated activity (gaming session, movie watch party, group discussion), avoid disrupting it with off-topic messages. Either participate or use another channel temporarily.

§3.10 Activity-Specific Channels — Consider using voice channels, threads, or designated channels for organized activities to avoid conflicts.

Article IV: Important Notes

§4.1 Discord TOS Compliance — While this server prioritizes free speech, we must comply with [Discord's Terms of Service](#) and [Community Guidelines](#). Violations may result in reports to Discord Trust & Safety.

§4.2 Private Platform Distinction — Discord is a private platform - the First Amendment applies to government censorship, not private communities. These rules reflect our moderation philosophy, not legal obligations.

§4.3 Voting Rights: Green Card System — Only members with the "Green Card" role may vote in community polls and serve as jurors in server courts. The Green Card is obtained by:

- (a) **Automatic Grant:** Any member who has been in the server for 60+ days and enters their third month of membership (day 61 onwards) automatically qualifies for Green Card status upon moderator review
- (b) **Community Nomination:** If 25% or more of current Green Card holders vote to grant Green Card status to a member (regardless of join date), that member receives it. This recognizes exceptional contribution and integration into server culture
- (c) **Veteran Exception (Time-Limited):** During the first 6 months after server creation only, moderators may grant Green Card status to ancient/veteran members returning from previous communities. After this period, all Green Cards must be earned through methods (a) or (b)
- (d) **Transparency & Review Period:** All successful Green Card grants must be announced publicly in #announcements with method used (automatic/nominated/veteran) and basic reasoning. The community has 48 hours to raise concerns before the grant is finalized. If major concerns are raised (repeated Article II infractions or escalations from Article III to Article II violations), admins will review and may deny the grant. Failed nomination votes are not announced publicly to prevent embarrassment - only successful grants are announced.
- (e) **Revocation:** Green Card status can be revoked for extended inactivity (90+ days) or Tier 3+ violations. It can be re-earned after rehabilitation

- (f) **Non-Voting Participation:** Members without Green Cards may still participate in court proceedings as witnesses and provide input in discussion threads before polls
- (g) **Veteran Criteria:** Veteran Green Cards (method c) require documented proof of prior membership OR testimony from 25% of current Green Card holders who can attest to their veteran status. All veteran grants require admin approval with public justification to prevent favoritism
- (h) **Minimum Nomination Threshold:** Community nominations (method b) require a minimum of 5 Green Card holder votes regardless of percentage, to ensure meaningful community support at all server sizes
- (i) This system prevents vote manipulation by new or alternate accounts and ensures voters understand server culture

§4.4 Community Determination — When determining if behavior has crossed from banter into bullying, a community poll will be conducted among Green Card holders. The server community votes on whether the behavior is acceptable or has crossed the line. When in doubt, respect boundaries.

Article V: Enforcement & Punishments

Section A: Enforcement Methods

§5.1 Enforcement Methods — Violations will be handled based on community consensus for gray-area cases:

- (a) **Community Polls:** Quick votes among Green Card holders to determine if behavior crosses the line from banter to bullying/harassment
 - (b) **Server Court:** For more serious or contested cases, a formal court may be held where both parties present their case and Green Card holders serve as jury (non-biased)
 - (c) **Immediate Action:** Clear violations (illegal content, threats, CSAM, etc.) will result in immediate action without polls or court proceedings
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Section B: Punishment Tiers

§5.2 Tier 1: Minor Violations — First-time or minor infractions (spam, minor disruption, channel etiquette violations)

- **Punishment:** Verbal warning or written warning
- **Duration:** N/A
- **Escalation:** Repeat offenses move to Tier 2

§5.3 Tier 2: Moderate Violations — Repeated minor violations, roasting guideline violations (§3.1-3.5), moderate harassment

- **Punishment:** Temporary mute or timeout
- **Duration:** 1 hour to 24 hours (first offense), 24-72 hours (repeat offense)
- **Escalation:** Three Tier 2 violations within 30 days move to Tier 3

§5.4 Tier 3: Serious Violations — Harassment (§2.7), bullying (§2.8), sexual harassment (§2.9), unwanted advances (§2.10), excessive self-promotion (§2.19), gatekeeping with abuse, abuse of enforcement mechanisms (§5.9)

- **Punishment:** Temporary ban or extended mute
- **Duration:** 7-30 days depending on severity
- **Escalation:** Repeat offenses may result in permanent ban subject to community vote

§5.5 Tier 4: Severe Violations — Direct threats (§2.1), incitement (§2.2), doxxing (§2.3), CSAM (§2.11), revenge porn (§2.12), non-consensual recording (§2.13), ban evasion (§2.16), coordinating raids (§2.17), abuse of power by moderators (§5.10)

- **Punishment:** Immediate permanent ban
- **Duration:** Permanent (appeal possible after 6 months)
- **Escalation:** Report to Discord Trust & Safety and potentially law enforcement

§5.6 Aggravating Factors — The following may increase punishment severity:

- (a) Targeting vulnerable or new members
 - (b) Coordinated harassment or brigading
 - (c) Pattern of behavior across multiple incidents
 - (d) Refusal to comply with moderator instructions
 - (e) Abuse during a temporary punishment period
 - (f) Using multiple accounts to evade detection
 - (g) Encouraging others to violate rules
 - (h) Leaking private server content to external platforms
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Section C: Moderator Structure

§5.7 Moderator Hierarchy — For transparency and efficiency:

- (a) **Admins** handle Tier 4 violations, appeals, automatic Green Card grants (§4.3a), and veteran Green Card approvals (§4.3c)
- (b) **Moderators** handle Tier 1-3 violations, facilitate community votes, and process community-nominated Green Cards (§4.3b)
- (c) All Tier 3+ actions must be logged in a moderator-visible channel
- (d) Moderator actions can be appealed within 48 hours per §5.13

§5.8 Emergency Moderation — In cases of active raids, mass spam, or ongoing severe violations, moderators may take immediate action including:

- (a) Temporary server lockdown or slowmode
 - (b) Mass mutes/bans without individual review
 - (c) Community votes will be conducted after resolution to validate actions
 - (d) Emergency actions must be reported to admins within 24 hours
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Section D: Additional Enforcement Rules

§5.9 No Abuse of Enforcement Mechanisms — Falsely reporting others, manipulating polls, or using enforcement tools as retaliation is prohibited and may result in harsher penalties than the original offense.

§5.10 No Abuse of Power — Leveraging administrator or moderator rights for personal gain, retaliation, or unfair advantage is prohibited.

§5.11 Moderators Are Not Exempt — Moderators and server staff are subject to all rules. If a moderator violates rules, they can be reported and face the same enforcement process, including community polls and server courts conducted by Green Card holders.

§5.12 Private Reporting — If you're uncomfortable addressing unwanted advances or harassment publicly, use the dedicated #reports channel (visible only to moderators) or DM a moderator directly.

§5.13 Appeals Process — Any member may appeal a punishment by:

- (a) Submitting a written appeal to moderators via DM or #reports channel
- (b) Requesting a server court hearing if the punishment was Tier 3 or higher
- (c) Waiting 7 days before appealing temporary punishments, 6 months for permanent bans
- (d) Providing evidence or context that wasn't considered in the original decision
- (e) Appeals for Tier 4 violations require admin review

§5.14 Rehabilitation & Record Clearing — Members with a clean record for 90 consecutive days will have their previous Tier 1 and Tier 2 violations removed from consideration for escalation purposes. Record clearing may be granted at most twice per member lifetime. After the second clearing, no further clearing is possible and the escalation clock never resets again; subsequent violations will always count toward escalation.

Article VI: Rulemaking & Amendments

§6.1 Scope — This article governs how rules are added, amended, piloted, or repealed. No change may legalize content prohibited by law or Discord TOS.

§6.2 Who May Propose — Any member may submit an idea; it must be sponsored by two (2) Green Card holders or one (1) moderator to proceed.

§6.3 Stages — Rule changes follow these stages:

- (a) Concept Vote: 1–2 paragraph summary; opens a discussion thread.
- (b) Draft & Comment: 72 hours for wording, edge cases, and alternatives.
- (c) Ratification Vote: on the finalized text.
- (d) Grace Period: 7 days before enforcement unless explicitly waived for safety.

§6.4 Voting Body & Quorum — Only Green Card holders vote. A quorum of 40% of all Green Card holders and a minimum of 5 total votes are required.

§6.5 Thresholds —

- (a) Article II (Prohibited Content): Add/strengthen requires $\geq 66\%$ YES; repeal/weakening requires $\geq 75\%$ YES.
- (b) Article III (Guidelines/Channel Etiquette): Simple majority ($50\% + 1$) YES.
- (c) Articles IV–VI (Governance/Enforcement/Notes): $\geq 60\%$ YES.
- (d) Ties fail. Abstentions don't count toward YES/NO but do count for quorum.

§6.6 Illegal/TOS Filter — Proposals conflicting with law or Discord TOS are rejected immediately by admins without a vote and archived with a brief rationale.

§6.7 Pilot Rules & Sunset — Proposers may request a 30-day pilot. Pilot rules auto-expire unless renewed with ≥60% YES under §6.5(b/c).

§6.8 Cooling-Off — Failed proposals may not be re-submitted for 30 days. Substantively identical drafts within this window may be removed.

§6.9 Repeal — Any existing rule may be repealed using the same thresholds that would have been required to adopt/amend it (see §6.5). Repealed text is archived.

§6.10 Change Log & Announcements — All adopted changes are summarized in #announcements with method (concept/draft/ratification), vote tallies, and effective date. Links to drafts and discussions must be included.

§6.11 Language Sync — English is canonical. French and Arabic translations must be updated within 7 days of ratification. In case of conflict, the English text controls until translations are fixed.

§6.12 Emergency Suspension — Admins may temporarily suspend a rule that is causing immediate harm. A server court review must begin within 72 hours to confirm, amend, or restore the rule.

§6.13 Anti-Manipulation — Coordinating brigades, off-server vote recruitment, or using alts to influence outcomes violates §2.17/§5.9 and may void the vote.