Sample Consent Policy

“Consent” means a person’s willingness and ability to engage in a specific act. It is important to note that consent is the mutual creation of an agreement: aim for “YES!” not just the absence of “No.”

1. Do not touch anyone without their permission, and don’t base consent on what you’ve seen someone do with other people.

2. All activities must receive prior consent explicitly by verbal or written agreement rather than through gestures, body language, or past behavior.

3. Informed consent requires discussing the risks involved in the activity and the steps needed to reduce those risks, including study, training, technique, and safety measures.

4. Don’t re-negotiate in the middle of your scene unless it is to reject activities that were previously agreed to. A person who is in an altered state of mind of any kind, including play-induced headspace, may not be able to give informed consent.

5. The universal safewords are “RED” and “SAFEWORD.” Everyone is free to withdraw consent at any time during the activity. At the use of either of those words, the activity must end immediately.

6. Do not attempt to participate in an ongoing scene unless invited explicitly by all current participants.

7. If you plan to engage in play that may have the appearance of being non-consensual, inform the staff before the beginning of the scene.

8. Each person should understand everyone’s limitations or barriers to their ability to consent to the planned activities, such as age, diminished mental capacity, or use of drugs or alcohol. If any participant in a scene appears intoxicated or impaired, the staff will stop the scene.

9. Do not pressure, force, coerce, or manipulate someone into consenting to anything.

10. Do not do anything likely to result in serious bodily injury or go beyond a participant’s expectations, even where the participant gave consent.

11. Don’t “out” anyone as kinky, non-monogamous, or any form of alt-sex to their family, friends, co-workers, or anyone outside of the alt community. Don’t use someone’s first/last name in person or online with others unless they give you specific permission to do so. Don’t share anyone’s Personally Identifiable Information (PII) in any form or format without their consent.

12. If you would like someone to cease contact with you, please tell them either verbally or by direct message: “Please don’t contact me anymore.” For example, suppose you request no contact with an organizer. In that case, you must designate another organizer who may contact you about group business.