

Top 10 BDSM Etiquette Rules

for Events, Munches & Parties

Respectful behavior isn't just good manners—it's a core part of keeping our community safe, inclusive, and empowered.

1. Consent is King (and Queen... and Everyone Else).

Consent is the foundation of all kink. Without clear, enthusiastic, and ongoing consent, it's not play—it's a violation. Whether it's physical touch, verbal commands, or scene negotiations, *always* ensure everyone is informed and willing.

2. Don't Touch Without Permission—People, Toys, or Scenes.

It doesn't matter how cute the rope is or how familiar someone feels—if it's not yours, don't touch it. This includes people, their gear, their toys, and scenes in progress. Always ask first.

3. Respect Titles and Negotiated Roles.

If someone introduces themselves as "Sir," "Ma'am," "Mistress," or "Pet," honor their identity—even if their dynamic doesn't involve you. Similarly, don't assume authority or submission with others unless it's been clearly negotiated.

4. Be Mindful of Play in Progress.

Keep your voice low around scenes, give physical space, and don't interrupt unless safety is at risk. Scenes are intimate and focused experiences—treat them with the reverence they deserve.

5. Clean Your Mess—Physically and Emotionally.

After a scene, wipe down any equipment you used. If you stirred up big emotions (your own or someone else's), do your aftercare and take responsibility for your emotional impact. Leave the space and energy better than you found it.

6. Watch Your Language and Tone.

Teasing, sarcasm, or dominance can easily be misinterpreted, especially with new or unknown individuals. Speak with clarity, warmth, and intention. Respect doesn't have to be formal—but it should always be present.

7. Know and Follow Event Rules.

Every event has different guidelines. Read them, ask questions if unsure, and respect the structure provided by the hosts or dungeon monitors. Rules aren't about control—they're about community safety and comfort.

8. Keep What You See Confidential.

What happens at kink events stays at kink events. Don't take photos without consent, don't name-drop, and don't share stories that aren't yours to tell. Privacy is sacred in our world.

9. Don't Yuck Someone's Yum.

If a kink isn't for you, that's fine—but mocking, shaming, or judging others for what they enjoy is not. We celebrate diversity and consensual exploration. Live and let kink.

10. When in Doubt, Ask Respectfully.

Not sure what something means? Curious about a protocol? Don't assume—ask kindly. Most people are happy to educate when approached with genuine respect and curiosity.

Final Thought:

Etiquette in BDSM isn't about being perfect—it's about being *conscious*. Each of us helps cocreate a space where kink can be explored with intention, joy, and mutual care.