



Code of Honour

As an individual participant or attendee in Spocan events and initiatives, I understand and agree:

1. To revel in an environment in which freedom of speech, self-determination, and pursuit of creative excellence are inalienable rights.
2. To participate in all Spocan events in a way that encourages, illuminates and supports established standards of good sportsmanship.
3. To refuse to allow the competitive challenge of the poetry slam game or any others to lead me to violence, interference, direct or indirect threats.
4. To allow all participants to pursue their craft peacefully and without censure, regardless of present associations or past personal history.
5. To ask, and respectfully use, the pronouns of other festival participants.
6. To adhere to a consent positive space which includes asking other participants' permission before touching, filming, taking pictures of, or posting any media of them, and before sharing any personal and/or traumatic experiences with them.
7. To comply with local, provincial and federal laws pertaining to individual civil rights and physical or sexual harassment.
8. To abide by all Spocan rules, regulations, procedures and policies, including this Code of Honour, knowing that consequences for breaking the rules/code exist and will be upheld. Spocan rules, regulations, procedures and policies can be found on our website.
9. If the Code of Honour is broken, penalties will be determined by the severity of the infraction, and the ruling of:
 - a) The emcee/bout manager/tournament or series director or where applicable, the Spocan Board of Directors and/or a committee delegated by them for such purpose, in the context of a slam tournament or other Spocan event;
 - b) The Spocan Board of Directors and/or a committee delegated by them for such purpose, outside the context of a slam tournament or other Spocan event.