

Dear guests,

Thank you for finding your way to our dress code and you are ready to deal with it.

We would like to let you know you that we do not create our rules to annoy anyone. Our aim is to present the greatest possible ambience of a festive gala event and to ensure your safety. Please understand that we cannot and will not make any exceptions regarding these rules.

The compliance with the dress code is part of our AGBs and conditions and is therefore mandatory for all guests. This entitles our helpers to refuse your participation at our event in case of non-compliance. Even if you have a valid ticket! During the running program the helpers can also expel you from the event if you make changes to your wardrobe that violate the dress code.

As requested, we reviewed and updated our dress code and made it clearer. **If you still have any questions, please don't hesitate to send us an e-mail: [ball@dokomi.de](mailto:ball@dokomi.de).** Just send us a picture or a link of your desired outfit together with your questions and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

If you have questions please contact us as early as possible, this is more relaxed for us as well as for you. Unfortunately for organizational reasons we are only able to answer requests that have been received one week before the beginning of the event at the latest.

In general, we cannot answer inquiries via Facebook or other social media channels.

We are looking forward to your beautiful and lovingly designed costumes and expect a magical evening, which will be unforgettable for all of us.

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# I. General Dress Code Rules

The general rule says:

All intimate areas must always be opaquely covered. The following limits apply:

- Chest:  
the bra (the bra zone) must not be visible (except the straps)
  
- Back:  
maximum cut out to the waist
  
- Skirts:  
2020 have a look at "This Year's Special Offers" (point VI)
  
- Leg slits:  
no matter where at the skirt, the slit must not exceed the specified minimum skirt length (point VI)

Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CrossPlay (please follow the dress code rules for the gender you appear to represent [m/f])</li> <li>• Splendid, elaborate kimonos</li> <li>• traditional ceremonial robes</li> <li>• Cultural festive dresses/robes</li> <li>• (Military)Gala-/Parade Uniforms</li> <li>• decently represented cyber-punk styles (e.g. cyber, atom, steam, solar, diesel etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Everyday/work clothes (e.g. jeans, jogging trousers, shorts, T-shirts, pullovers, tank tops, etc.)</li> <li>• Zentai suits + morphsuits</li> <li>• Animal and monster costumes (e.g. furry cosplays, zombies etc.)</li> <li>• Fighting clothes (also Magicalgirls/boys)</li> <li>• Armor and armor parts (of any kind also helmets)</li> <li>• Provocative costumes (e.g. NS uniforms)</li> <li>• School uniforms (incl. winter uniforms with long skirts)</li> <li>• simple Yucatas and Hakamas</li> <li>• Rock styles (e.g. Punk, Goth, J-/K-Rock, etc.)</li> </ul>

## II. Dress Code for Ladies

Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Evening dresses</li><li>• Pantsuits</li><li>• Uniforms (please note minimum skirt length)</li><li>• Mature skirts (the diameter of your wardrobe must not exceed 1,10m)</li><li>• Dresses with chest, back and leg cut-outs (please note the limits under "I. Wardrobe General")</li><li>• lateral cut-outs on the upper body (must be filled at least with "dance skin")</li><li>• Train of the dress to max. 1m (must be put up/-bound or removed when entering the ballroom)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Miniskirts</li><li>• Hot pants</li><li>• Visible underwear (incl. bra, panties, suspenders etc.)</li><li>• Dresses over 1,10m diameter</li><li>• Skirts which do not correspond to the minimum skirt length</li><li>• Transparent fabrics in the minimum skirt length range (as main skirt or to fill a slit)</li><li>• Clothes that drag over the floor (the sole of the shoe is ok, everything beyond that is too long)</li><li>• Exception: Train of the dress</li></ul>

### III. Dress Code for Gentlemen

Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Suits, tailcoat, dinner jackets</li><li>• Gala uniforms</li><li>• Knickerbockers, chino trousers</li><li>• Tie, bow tie, cummerbund, waistcoat</li><li>• Cultural festive robes (e.g. Kilts [only WITH underwear])</li><li>• Antique leg dress such as knee breeches or lansquenet trousers (only in combination with opaque stockings)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jeans, corduroy trousers</li><li>• Transparent tops</li><li>• Deep chest cutouts (maximum to collarbone)</li><li>• Shorts</li><li>• Armor parts (of any kind)</li></ul>

## IV. Footwear

The general rule says:

Please choose clean, well-groomed and elegant footwear.

Allowed	Not Allowed
<p><u>Gentlemen</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suit shoes (lacquer/leather)</li> <li>• Dancing shoes Note: The floor in the ballroom is NOT suitable for dancing shoes</li> <li>• elegant boots / ankle boots</li> <li>• Military footwear (gala version)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flipflops, bath slippers</li> <li>• Slippers</li> <li>• Crocks/Clocks</li> <li>• Trekking Shoes of any kind</li> <li>• Trainers, sneakers, vans, chucks</li> <li>• Hiking boots</li> <li>• Springer boots</li> <li>• Birkenstocks</li> <li>• Shoes without heel straps</li> <li>• Barefoot</li> <li>• Dirty and/or broken footwear</li> <li>• Military footwear (combat boots)</li> </ul>
<p><u>Ladies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ballerinas</li> <li>• Filigree sandals</li> <li>• Dancing shoes Note: The floor in the ballroom is NOT suitable for dancing shoes</li> <li>• Low-/Highheels</li> <li>• Pumps</li> <li>• Elegant boots / ankle boots</li> <li>• Espadrillos</li> </ul>	

### Tips and Tricks

- At the ball never wear new shoes for the first time. If you buy yourself a pair of new shoes, do yourself a favor and run them in properly beforehand.
- Put your shoes on to test if you really can last 5 to 7 hours on them.
- If you choose high heels, don't hesitate to bring a pair of flat shoes as a replacement. For safety reasons it is strictly forbidden to walk on the whole event area without shoes.
- The insoles often work wonders. Get advices from your trusted shoe shop and don't save in the wrong places.
- To our ladies: If your outfit is floor-length and now one can see your shoes anyway, decide in case of doubt for comfortable instead of chic. What we can't see doesn't bother us either. ;-)

## V. Accessories

This category is particularly important to us, as all of the rules set out here are primarily for your safety and therefore absolutely indisputable and incontrovertible. Please take a closer look at the following so that you and we don't get any nasty surprises during admission control. If you have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact us via e-mail.

As a general rule:

Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small delicate ladies handbags (e.g. Cluch) in max. DIN A5 size</li> <li>• small camera bags (max. camera + 1 lens)</li> <li>• Wings (as long as they do not exceed the own shoulder width, as long as they are close to the body, soft and flexible)</li> <li>• Masks (as long as they worn in hair or on clothing)</li> <li>• discreet animal characteristics ( as long as soft and flexible)</li> <li>• Capes (maximum knee length)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large bags, backpacks, suitcases (also camera equipment)</li> <li>• Overgarments not belonging to the cosplay (e.g. jackets, coats, anoraks etc.)</li> <li>• Umbrellas, walking sticks (Exception: medically necessary walking aids after registration by mail)</li> <li>• Weapons of any kind (also beyond the Dokomi weapon rules)</li> <li>• Masks and visual restrictions, also wigs (on the face and in front of the eyes, no matter what kind)</li> </ul>

### Hair Accessories

Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tiaras, crowns, jewels</li> <li>• Flowers, feathers</li> <li>• Fascinator</li> <li>• Hats (e.g. cylinder, melon, statson, fidora etc.)</li> <li>• Hair bands, headscarves</li> <li>• Masks (in hair)</li> <li>• Hairpins</li> <li>• Ears made of fabric with wadding filling</li> <li>• small horns (max. 8cm or close to the head)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wool or poodle caps</li> <li>• Cappies</li> <li>• Hard and/or sharpened headdress of any kind, which protrudes more than 8cm, no matter in which direction from your head (measured at the entrance with a measuring stick from scalp / wig net)</li> <li>• Streetware</li> </ul>

## Makeup

Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Normal Makeup</li><li>• Body Paint (as long as it is abrasion resistant)</li><li>• Scar representation (also with the help of Collodium)</li><li>• mask parts (e.g. elf ears, cat or bear noses)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• artificial blood of any colour and shape, neither on skin and/or clothing</li><li>• FX Horror Makeup (e.g. Zombie Makeup)</li><li>• Wound presentation (except healed scars)</li><li>• Latex full or half masks (e.g. orcs or goblins)</li></ul>

## Glitter Paragraph

Glitter in any form is permitted, but only if it is abrasion-resistant and non-transferable. So-called "glittering" is forbidden.

## VI. This Year's Special Offers

In this category you will find everything that is only and explicitly allowed on the upcoming ball.

"Mee(h)r Sein" is the theme for the DoKomi Ball 2020.

As you know, we adapt our dress code a little bit to the theme, so the following things are possible:

<b>Allowed</b>	<b>Not Allowed</b>
<p><u>Ladies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cocktail dresses (your skirts must be at least long enough for the hem to be 5cm above the knee)</li> <li>• Charlston dresses (20-year style with fringes over the knee)</li> <li>• Frontal cut-outs in the upper body areas (as long as these are at least filled with "dance skin"</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bast skirt</li> <li>• Shell or coconut bras</li> <li>• Mini Skirts</li> <li>• Bikini Tops, Swimsuits</li> <li>• Bathrobes</li> <li>• Towel fashion</li> </ul>
<p><u>Gentlemen</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hawai shirts (or patterned shirts)</li> <li>• Suit trousers in ¾ trousers length or special stand suits with short trousers. We also put here the "stocking rule" out of order. So naked skin on the leg is allowed in moderation.</li> <li>• Men may also appear in short-sleeved shirts.</li> </ul>	