



Dress Code & Costume Policy – UPDATED 08/12/2026

The Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire is a family-friendly, immersive 16th-century experience. While we welcome creativity and costumes from all eras and fantasy realms, we require all guests to maintain a safe, appropriate environment.

Compliance with this policy is a condition of entry to any of the events held on the property of Mount Hope Estate & Winery. Violators who refuse to comply will be escorted from the festival grounds without a refund.

General Requirements

- **Appropriate Attire:** Proper clothing and shoes are required at all times. Clothing featuring vulgar, offensive, or rude language/images is prohibited.
- **Layered Clothing:** Outfits with multiple layers are subject to search by security.
- **Interaction with Staff:** Guests must step out of character and cooperate immediately if approached by Security, Management, or Bar Staff. Refusing to speak or responding only with gestures is a violation of policy.

Face Coverings & Concealment

To ensure site security and allow staff to quickly verify identities, the following rules apply to all patrons:

- **Must Be Readily Removable:** Full-face masks, fixed-visor helmets, muzzles, snouts, or prosthetics that take more than a few seconds to unfasten/remove are **prohibited**.
- **Identity Checks:** You must be able to instantly show your face upon request anywhere on the grounds. **You will not be served at any bar if you refuse to remove a face covering.**
- **Allowed:** Partial coverings, half-masks, and full facial makeup/paint are permitted, provided the face remains identifiable.

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Full-Head Costumes

Due to ongoing safety and identification challenges, full-head costumes and masks are prohibited:

- **Prohibited:** Full-head masks are not permitted inside the gates.
- **Allowed:** "Partial" costuming (ears, tails, paws, and partial face paint) is welcome, provided it complies with the face-covering rules above.

Gore, Mutilation & Horror Effects

The Faire is a family venue, not a haunted attraction. Horror effects are not permitted - **including during Halloween Weekend.**

- **Prohibited:** Realistic gore, dripping blood, open wounds, graphic mutilation, or injury prosthetics. Glued-on tusks, fangs, or horns designed to look grotesque are also banned.
- **Allowed:** Decorative, non-graphic fantasy touches (e.g., painted costume horns or fantasy makeup).

Enforcement Process

Security and Management enforce these rules strictly to ensure guests' safety:

1. **Gate Denial:** Guests wearing prohibited items (e.g., full-head or non-removable masks, or gore effects) will be denied entry at the gate without refund.
2. **In-Park Correction:** If a violation is spotted inside the park, staff will request immediate correction.
3. **Removal:** Failure to correct a violation, or repeating the same violation, will result in immediate escort from the grounds without refund.
4. **Future Bans:** A documented pattern of ignoring staff instructions or violating policies may result in a ban from future events at the discretion of the Security Chief and Director of Operations.

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