

Seattle Go Center Code of Conduct -- keeping us ALL comfortable and enjoying SGC

SGC is more than just a place in a building: it is a community. As a member of the community, you are encouraged to let the day manager or any official know if you feel uncomfortable about anything. You may also contact management at programs@seattlego.org or operations@seattlego.org.

General themes:

- Be respectful towards each other (behavior, incidental speech, dialogues, game playing, etc.)
- Clean up after yourself (stones, bowls, kitchen, dishes, library books, etc.)
- Comply with the decisions of the day manager (direct complaints to manager@seattlego.org or directors@seattlego.org).

Some examples and specific behavior codes follow:

Smoking is allowed outside only, and on the deck only with the door closed.

Remember to pay for drinks and your day pass.

Shogi playing is permitted, but Western Chess and other games are not allowed at the Go Center by request of our benefactors.

Get permission from both players before you comment on others' games in any way.

Keep your voice at low volume and devices silent (phones may ring) to not disturb others.

Keep your presentation-of-self suitable for all (G rated language, clothing, no overt odors).

Keep discussions of religious, political, and other sensitive subjects quiet and civil.

The kitchen is for communal use. Clean up after yourself immediately. Put dishes in the washer if possible. Food with no name or that looks bad may be thrown out at any time.

Do not adjust the thermostat without permission of the day manager or tournament director in charge.

Tatami room is a NO SHOES area. ALWAYS.

The Go Center is a private space. Opinions expressed on clothing, bodies, or accessories should be positive. You can practice full free speech under the law elsewhere.

The couch is a shared space and should always be available for multiple people. Napping should not interfere with others' ability to use the couches.

Violations of the AGA Code of Conduct are also violations of the SGC code of being respectful to others:

- Harassment or intimidation by words, gestures, body language, or any type of menacing behavior.
- Physical contact with another person in an angry, aggressive, or threatening way.
- Verbally abusive or offensive behavior, including angry or vulgar language, swearing, name-calling, or shouting.
- Sexually explicit conversation, behavior, or sexual contact with another person without their affirmative consent.