Luna Park Melbourne Costume Policy



Commitment to Safety and Duty of Care

Luna Park Melbourne is dedicated to fostering a fun and safe environment for all, including guests, costume enthusiasts, team members, talent and production personnel, and contractors. We view it as our Duty of Care to provide a space that is free from harm. Similarly, all guests have a Duty of Care to ensure that neither their actions nor their costumes and props endanger others.

Legislative Compliance and Guideline Development

There are specific legislative regulations and restrictions governing the types of costumes, props, and accessories permitted in the Park. The guidelines outlined are designed to align with National Best Practice for Workplace and Public Safety Acts, Victoria's Occupational Health and Safety Act, and relevant industry initiatives. These guidelines are not exhaustive or definitive but have been developed to prioritise safety, with input from the community and the entertainment and events sector.

For any questions regarding the Luna Park Melbourne Costume Policy, please use our online contact form or visit Guest Relations in park to speak with our team.

Costume Check Process

All costume enthusiasts attending Luna Park Melbourne and its related events will undergo a visual assessment from Luna Park team members when queueing to enter the Park. Guests identified with costumes, props or accessories requiring further inspection will be required to undergo a Costume Check. Our team assesses costumes, props, and accessories to ensure compliance with the above guidelines and to confirm they are safe for use within our Park. Once an item is approved, a visual indicator will be attached to the prop or accessory. If an item is deemed inappropriate or potentially unsafe, reasonable efforts will be made to store the item at Guest Relations for the duration of the visit.

If an item breaches state or federal law, Victoria Police may be contacted.

Final decisions on costumes, props, and accessories rest with Luna Park Melbourne's Management. Luna Park Melbourne team members may require you to re-check an item if guidelines are breached or props and accessories are used dangerously.

Disclaimer: Costumes, props, and accessories stored at Guest Relations are held at the owner's risk. While we take all reasonable precautions, Luna Park Melbourne and its team members are not responsible for any damage to costumes, props, and accessories, whether on the person, during checks, or while in storage.

Costume, Props and Accessories Restrictions

Masks, Helmets, and Facial Coverings

The above elements must be easy to remove when requested by Luna Park Melbourne team members and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Make Up and Body Paint and Fake Blood

Should be properly sealed and applied to avoid property damage or affecting others' costumes. Some costume elements may need to be removed for safe participation in attractions.

Safety Considerations

Armour, Spikes, and Shields are permitted if Luna Park Melbourne deems them to be safe for public spaces and pose no risks in crowds. Barbed wire is strictly prohibited.

Metal, glass, or other potentially dangerous materials must be assessed by Guest Relations.

Hazardous materials include, but are not limited to combustible, and dangerous chemicals.

Prohibited Costume Elements

Costumes, props, and accessories up to 1.5 metres in length and up to 1 metre wide are permitted. Larger costumes, props, and accessories may need to be removed. Individual attractions may require storage of certain costumes, props, and accessory items before participation.

Stilts, remote-controlled vehicles, roller skates, rollerblades, and other wheeled recreational transport will not be permitted.

Intense strobe lighting and excessive sound effects may need to be disabled before entry.

Balloons are not permitted at Luna Park Melbourne due to the risk they pose to attractions and electrical systems.

Appropriate Guest Behaviour

Some events, such as Luna Dark, are family-friendly, 14+ events. Costumes must not be culturally insensitive or in poor taste. Guests are required to cover their chests, groins, and buttocks. Guests will be asked to cover, change, or leave the event without refund if guidelines are not met.

While in character, please be mindful of other guests and our team members. Inappropriate behaviour, especially if excessive or repeated, may result in removal from the Park.

Compliance With State and Federal Weapons Legislation

Victoria enforces strict legislation regarding weapons, including licensing, storage requirements, and restrictions on certain items. All guests must comply with Victorian laws when attending Luna Park. For details on imitation and replica firearms, refer to the <u>Victorian Police Firearm Classifications</u> and the Imitation Firearms Quick Guide.

Firearms are classified as either 'Toys' or 'Imitation/Replica Firearms'. Toy firearms, generally brightly coloured and sold in toy shops, must have coloured tips. Imitation or replica firearms, which closely resemble real weapons, are prohibited in Victoria.

Actual or decommissioned firearms, BB or Airsoft guns, gel blasters, sports weapons, metal replicas, cap guns, ammunition, and militaria or collectors' items are strictly not permitted under any circumstances. All toy firearms must have their colour tips installed.

No projectiles may be loaded into any toy capable of firing them. This includes, but is not limited to, Nerf or foam darts, arrows, bolts, powder caps, explosive or power charges, and liquids. Nerf guns, bows, and crossbows will only be permitted without associated projectiles.

Metal weapon props are strictly prohibited. This includes daggers, spears, knives, swords, ninja stars, and metal chains, regardless of sharpness or status as training replicas. Acceptable materials for props include lightweight timber, plastic, and foam.

Lightsabers may be carried but should not be used for combat or tricks in the park.

Baseball bats made from metal, aluminium, or wood are not allowed due to the risk of blunt force injury.

Tools such as axes, shovels, cutting implements, and puncturing devices are not permitted