

House Rules

The House Rules determine the rights and duties of visitors during their stay on the premises and in the event rooms and areas of the darmstadtium (referred to below as the assembly place). The respective organiser and Wissenschafts- und Kongresszentrum Darmstadt GmbH & Co. KG (referred to below as "WKD"), as operators of the assembly place, ensure that the event visitors comply with their duties.

Only visitors with valid entrance tickets or guests of the organiser may stay in the assembly place at public events that are subject to the sale of entrance tickets. Visitors must take the place stated on the entrance ticket for the respective event and only use the access paths foreseen for the purpose. Entrance tickets lose their validity on leaving the assembly place.

All facilities in the assembly place must be treated with care und used considerately. Inside the assembly place, everyone must conduct themselves in such a way that no-one else is harmed or endangered and that no-one else, in consideration of the circumstances, is unavoidably hindered or annoyed. Smoking is forbidden.

The closure of rooms, parts of buildings and free-standing spaces and their clearance can be ordered for reasons of security. Everybody in the assembly place and on its grounds must obey such demands without delay and leave the assembly place immediately in case of a clearance order.

Wardrobe, bag and body checks: A ban on the carrying of bags and rucksacks can be ordered for reasons of security, as can the obligation to deposit bags, rucksacks and items of clothing in a wardrobe at the normal local rates. If no such bans are in place, visitors must expect their bags to be searched and body checks made, at which the contents of containers, coats, jackets and capes will be controlled. Visitors who object to the removal of objects (which could cause a danger to the event or its visitors) by security staff shall be excluded from the event. There is no claim to a refund of entrance fees for visitors who have been denied access to the event.

No liability is assumed for valuable objects, money, keys in deposited bags, rucksacks or deposited items of clothing!

People who are recognisably under the strong influence of alcohol or drugs will be denied access to the event and must leave the assembly place. There is no claim to a refund of entrance fees for visitors who have been denied access. The provisions of the Youth Protection Act apply. Special regulations do not apply unless they are specifically displayed at the ticket desks and the entrance areas.

It is forbidden to carry in the following items:

- Weapons or hazardous objects and items that could cause physical injuries when they are thrown.
- Gas spray bottles, caustic or colouring substances, pressurised containers for easily inflammable gases or gases harmful to health, with the exception of normal pocket lighters and hair spray
- Containers made of brittle or shattery material
- Fireworks, rockets, Bengal fireworks, smoke powder, light balls, pyrotechnic objects
- Noisy instruments operated mechanically or electrically
- All food and drink brought along Animals (with the exception of guide dogs, blind dogs and service
- Racist, xenophobic and radical propaganda material
- Sound or picture recording devices for the purpose of commercial use

Rights to own image: If WKD staff, the organiser or commissioned undertakings produce photographs, films and/or video recordings around the assembly place for reporting or for advertising purposes, their work may not be hindered or impaired in any particular way. Everybody who enters the assembly place or stays in it are notified of the performance of photography, film and video recordings around the assembly place by these House Rules. By entering the assembly place, those who can be identified on such recordings agree that these recordings can be used both for reporting and for advertising purposes. All persons entering or staying at the event venue are informed via these house rules about the carrying out of photo, film and video recordings in the area of the event venue. Recordings of participants and visitors to events may be published without the need for obtaining consent from the person concerned, in accordance with the provisions of section 23 of the Law on Copyright in Works of Fine Art and Photography (KunstUrhG).

Sound volume at music events: The organiser is obliged to notify visitors if the noise at his event could reach the public at such a level that it could cause a lasting damage to hearing. In order to reduce the risk of damage, we particularly recommend the use of hearing protection. At such events, the organiser notifies of such risks in the entrance area to the assembly place and, on request, provides visitors with ear protectors free-of-charge. The provisions of the Technical Instructions on Noise Abatement (TA-Lärm) (protection of the neighbourhood), DGUV V3 (protection of the workforce) and DIN 15905 Part 5 (protection of the public) apply.

House bans apply to all current and future events in the assembly place. A written application with justification is required to rescind a house ban. A decision will be taken on such applications within 3 months.