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## Asia Pacific Cosplay Championship 2009 Rules

**By submitting an online registration form for the Cosplay Competition, you agree to and are bound by the rules below. Any concerns regarding any of the rules, please contact the Cosplay Coordinator before submitting your registration.**

1. The Cosplay competition is open to any competitor entering a costume that has been sourced from Japanese popular culture. These sources include (but are not restricted to) Anime; Manga, Video Games (Console and Computer).

2. The categories for which the prizes will be awarded to are as follows:

\* Best Male Costume

\* Best Female Costume

\* Best Group Costume (maximum of Four (4) persons in a group)

\* The best overall costume prize, a trip to the grand final in Perth, will be awarded to one individual who is deemed to have the best overall costume of the weekend.

3. Each competitor will do the following on stage; walk on in character, pose and have a brief interview. Judging will be based on the overall performance of the entrants. This includes accuracy of costume, ability to Role-play character in interview and posing as well as general attitude. Entrants will be required to answer questions from the Judges/Emcee regarding their costume. Sample questions may include "how long did it take you to make your costume" or "what is your favorite aspect of the costume?" Contestants should also note that they will be asked to pose for no more than 10 seconds for photo opportunities.

4. You are required to provide a picture of the character/person you are cosplaying. This will be shown on the overhead screen during your interview. You must upload the image with your registration form. Images must be as close to 400 x 500 pixels in dimension as possible and the file size must be no larger than 1MB.

5. All entries must be received no later than 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009. All images needs to be received by the Cosplay coordinator by this date. Registration must be complete with image or the entry will not be accepted.

After the 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2009, we will narrow down the choice and every qualified entrant will be informed by us.

6. Entrants may enter on the day permitting they have a clearly marked CD with their full Name, contact phone number and also containing their image. The image need to be of the same size and quality stipulated previously in these rules. By failing to meet these criteria entrants will be ineligible to enter the Cosplay competition.

7. Registered entrants must be signed in by 11:00 am on the day of competition.

8. We allow a wide variety of costumes however this is an all ages event. Also, as the event has attracted many international media, we will need to take this into consideration. Please take note, if your costume is deemed too risqué, or inappropriate, then you will not be allowed to participate in the contest or you may also be asked to alter your costume or change clothes. If you are

uncertain about your costume please email the Cosplay coordinator to verify. If your costume is in anyway derogatory, sexual in nature or deemed inappropriate, you will be asked to alter your costume or change clothes. Sexual acts or any such attempted acts depicted by cosplayers will not be acceptable.

9. Safety first. No metal weapons of any kind will be permitted in or around the venue. Any weapons must be made of wood, plastic, foam or other like substances. All weapons are to be checked in at the security desk prior to entering the LMI floor. Your weapons will then be taken to the Cosplay booth and will be given to you prior to you going onstage. After your performance, your weapons must be returned to the Cosplay booth. Replica weapons including replica guns or swords are strictly forbidden under state and federal law. DO NOT BRING THEM! No fire, flash powder, lasers, explosives, smoke, or open flame of any kind will be allowed.

10. No messy substances that might ruin the costume of another contestant will be allowed. If you are wearing body paint or make-up, please make sure it will not come off in casual contact with others. Do not leave anything on-stage that cannot be picked up by the stage ninjas within a few seconds.

11. Feel free to surprise the audience and judges, but not the Cosplay coordinators. If you are planning something "different", please let us know in advance we will keep all ideas and costume plans strictly confidential.

12. In the event of a dispute or the judges cannot come to a final decision, the Cosplay coordinators and the Head of Competitions will have the deciding vote.

13. The coordinator's decision is final. Once the convention is underway, the coordinator may need to make decisions that will ensure the Cosplay competition runs smoothly. The coordinator has the right to refuse entry for any entrants to the Cosplay competition. If you have any questions, please email [cosplay@gc-asia.sg](mailto:cosplay@gc-asia.sg)

14. The Cosplay coordinators and judges are not eligible for entry into the Cosplay competition.

15. THE COSPLAY COORDINATOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DISQUALIFY ENTRANTS WHO MISREPRESENT ANY ASPECTS OF THEIR ENTRY ON THEIR REGISTRATION FORM.

16. Prizes are not exchangeable and are final. Prizes for the group entries will be provided for up to 4 people in the group.

17. Although there are prizes for this event, please remember that we are all here to have fun. Please enjoy yourselves and don't do things that may ruin other attendee's rights to have a good safe enjoyable time. Failure to do so may result in you being asked to leave the premises.

18. Any photo's taken during the Cosplay competitions may be used for promotional purposes by LMI or its partners.

19. Review the rules carefully. By entering, you agree to the rules for the 2009 Asia Pacific Cosplay Competition. The Cosplay Coordinators reserve the right to change these rules as they see fit. Please review these rules before the convention in case there is any last minute change. Ignorance of the rules is no basis for exemption of any rules.

20. LMI, or its partners, accepts no responsibilities for any injuries caused. The Cosplay coordinator can be contacted via email: [cosplay@gc-asia.sg](mailto:cosplay@gc-asia.sg)