



World Riichi Championship

Standards of Conduct

Tournaments are major occasions and we hope every WRC event will be a memorable one for the right reasons. WRC has established general rules regarding events and player conduct to ensure that every player feels that they can achieve their potential in an environment appropriate for a world-level competition, and one that is safe and welcoming.

Appropriate Event Attire

- Clothing which displays offensive words, imagery, or any political messaging is not permitted.
- Please remember you are not on the beach or at the club, and you may be on camera. Dress appropriately!

Items Not Permitted in the Play Area

- You should not carry in extra tiles or tembo into the event hall.
- No food is to be consumed a game table during play. This includes chewing gum, betel nuts, and similar.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the playing area at any time.

Getting Ready to Play

- Store your bags and personal items in an appropriate place that does not cause a distraction at the table, or an obstruction to event staff/officials.
- There should be no unnecessary or distracting objects (such as mascots, charms, oversized pillows, etc.) at the table; they should be stored with your personal items.
- No drinks should be on or above the game table. Use containers with closed tops where possible to prevent spills.

Conduct at the Table

- Wearing headphones during games is not permitted.
- Use of phones, smartwatches, and similar electronic devices is not permitted once a game has started, and before the last round ends. Turn them off or silence them to avoid disturbances.
- Smoking and tobacco products in any form are prohibited at the table. This includes vaping, smokeless tobacco, heat-not-burn products, or any similar items.



Player Communication

- Please be mindful of the other players with regard to use of language. Swearing or other words may not be well-received or may cause upset.
- Greeting other players as you arrive at a table and thanking them when you leave is strongly encouraged (in your language or theirs!)

Sickness Prevention

- Disease moves fast in cramped spaces and over shared play equipment. Make sure to wash your hands regularly, especially after eating or using the toilet.
- It is recommended that you wash your hands before and after games.

Abuse, Intimidation, Bullying

Players will not abuse, intimidate, or bully referees, staff, or any other player. You may be asked to leave if you are found to be participating in such behaviour.

This policy extends to social media activity with regards to publishing, sharing, or posting to any online platforms.

WRC operates a **zero tolerance** policy regarding any action constituting an explicit or implied threat, or has the primary purpose of inciting hatred against an individual or group based on certain attributes, such as: race or ethnic origin, religion, disability, gender, age, or sexual orientation/gender identity. If you are found to be participating in this behaviour before, during, or after an event, you may be asked to leave and/or prevented from participating in future WRC events.

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World Riichi Championship brings together riichi players from different cultures, backgrounds, and age groups. Everyone participating has invested their time, effort, and resources to attend or host an event, and all due courtesy, respect, and consideration should be afforded and expected. We hope that all players will read the above policies and observe them during WRC events.

However, this document does not seek to impose upon any religious practice or medical necessity. WRC will try to accommodate these player needs wherever possible. If you have any specific questions or concerns regarding any item above, we ask, if possible, that you address them with WRC or the event organizers in advance with the understanding that your needs will be kept in the fullest confidence.

