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**Dress Code**

The Magic Castle® Dress Code is a time-honored tradition that has been in place since our inception in 1963. To capture the elegance of “Old Hollywood,” the sophistication of a classic era, and the refinement of fine dining, we ask that all members and guests contribute to this tradition by reflecting this savoir faire in your attire when enjoying our magic home.

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**Evening Attire**

All members and guests are required to dress in **business attire** or **evening wear** that is conservative, formal, and elegant. **Military dress** (no fatigues), **ethnic attire**, and/or **religious garb** are allowed as exceptions to our dress requirements. Leather jackets with buttons, dressy jackets, leather pants, linen suits, and one-piece jumpers with long pants for women* will also be accepted, unless viewed by management as unacceptable attire (i.e. excessively revealing or distressed, torn, or worn fabric).

#### GENTLEMEN:

- Formal suits or coat with shirt and long tie, bow tie, bolo tie, ascot, or full turtleneck (mock-turtlenecks are not acceptable), and dress slacks with closed-toe leather shoes is required.
- No denim of any kind, no pants with rivets, nor casual wear.

#### LADIES:

- Formal or cocktail dresses, elegant skirt and blouse, or dressy tunic (hip-length) and slacks combinations, and pant-suits (matching blazer and pants) with dress shoes is required.
- No denim of any kind, no pants with rivets, nor casual wear.

#### Our Dress Code mandates that, at all times, all guests in suit & tie:

- Keep their dress shirts tucked into their waistbands.
- Keep their necktie properly tied, so that the knot is near, if not at, the collar.
- Keep their suit jacket/blazer on when moving throughout the club. It is acceptable to remove one’s jacket while sitting in a showroom watching a performance, sitting down in the dining room, or to wrap another guest who is cold. However, walking through the club sans jacket is not.

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*NOTE: The terms “Gentlemen” and “Ladies” are used generally. Any members or guests who identify with a different or no gender must adhere to one of the categories’ guidelines.*
Brunch Attire

Men, women, and children (all ages) are expected to dress in conservative, “country club casual,” or formal party-wear. **Military dress, ethnic attire, and/or religious garb** are also allowed. Dress shoes are required for everyone age 12 and older.

**GENTLEMEN:**
Men and boys must be in khakis or slacks with a dress shirt (open collar) or casual button-down or polo shirt with a collar. Ties, suit coats, and blazers are optional.

**LADIES:**
Women and girls must be in a summer dress, skirt and dress top, or slacks with a dressy top.

Friday Lunch Attire

Friday lunches are Members Only from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for ages 21+ and the Dress Code is more relaxed.

**GENTLEMEN:**
Gentlemen must be in khakis or slacks with a dress shirt (open collar) or casual button-down or polo shirt with a collar. Ties, suit coats, and blazers are optional. Undamaged denim will be tolerated. T-shirts are only acceptable when worn with a sport coat or blazer.

**LADIES:**
Women and girls must be in a summer dress, skirt and dress top, or slacks with a dressy top. Undamaged denim will be tolerated.

Sunday Lecture Attire

Sunday lectures are **Magician Members Only**, and the “Brunch Attire” dress code is the rule throughout the day. At the conclusion of the lecture, we ask that all attendees exit the club via the Inner Circle exit, unless the member intends to stay for the evening. In which case, “Evening Attire” must be followed.

**UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE:**

- Casual or athletic attire.
- Excessively revealing clothing or attire that could be viewed as generally offensive.
- Denim, jean-style pants, shorts, short-length jumpers, sweat pants/track suits, cargo pants, “skorts,” leggings (worn as pants), outdoor jackets, T-shirts, tanks, bare midriffs & casual headgear.
- Flip-flops, casual sandals, athletic-style shoes (including leather athletic shoes), work boots, casual boots (clean cowboy boots are acceptable), clogs, deck shoes, and slippers. Children under the age of 12 may wear clean athletic shoes during Brunch hours only.

Special requests for exceptions to our Dress Code must be submitted via e-mail for consideration by our General Manager Joe Furlow by 5:00 p.m. the day prior to your visit: jfurlow@magiccastle.com.

Sweaters or shawls are recommended to cold-natured guests due to our air conditioners.

Thank you for respecting and being part of our tradition! ☺️
Examples of Proper Evening Attire:
Examples of Proper Brunch Attire:
Female Dress Codes

**Acceptable EVENING ATTIRE**

- White tie
- Black tie
- Creative black tie
- Black tie optional

(Almost) Acceptable for Evening

- Structured jackets are required in the evenings, unless guest is wearing a jumpsuit, embellished top or a mid-thigh tunic.

- Business casual
- Smart casual

Acceptable BRUNCH ATTIRE

- All three of the outfits in the red box to the right are suitable for brunch.
- No shorts, athletic shoes allowed.

Business formal

Female Dress Codes

UN-Acceptable ATTIRE

1. [Image]
2. [Image]
3. [Image]

- Although we allow 'illusion dresses' with shorts underneath the sheer layer, these dresses are revealing too much skin for our clientele. Dresses #1 and #3 can be admitted if the guest wears a jacket or shawl to cover her cleavage.
- Dress #2 is an absolute NO because it looks like lingerie and leaves nothing to the imagination.

Acceptable ATTIRE

4. [Image]
5. [Image]

- These dresses are acceptable because the shorts are completely covered by the sheer skirt and the necklines are tasteful, not excessively revealing.
- If the guest is wearing a romper with shorts like this, we can lend them a scarf or skirt to cover their legs.

**RULE OF THUMB:** The sheer material must cover the legs and the neckline should not reach the navel.
- The breasts should be covered enough to keep them from slipping out of the dress if the guest moves.

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**Female Dress Codes**

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### UN-Acceptable ATTIRE

| No   | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Dresses #1-3 show excessive cleavage and barely cover half of these women’s breasts. The keyhole style Dress #3 would be acceptable if it provided more coverage and didn’t dip down to the waist. (Apply the ‘J-Low’ rule.)

### Acceptable ATTIRE

| Yes  | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |

These dresses are acceptable because the necklines, while low, do not reach the waistline and the décolletage (the neckline of a dress cut low in the front or back and often across the shoulders) is modest enough to fully cover the breasts.

**RULE OF THUMB:** Coverage, coverage, coverage! Ask yourself if the guest leans forward will her bust fall out of her clothes? Is the back cut so low it’s below the panty line? Time for a looser item or a change of clothes.

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## Female Dress Codes

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### UN-Acceptable ATTIRE

| No   | 1 | 2 |

Dresses #1 and #2, although fully covered still reveal too much and look like undergarments instead of shorts. Dress #3 is showing ‘sideboob’.

**RULE OF THUMB:** If the sheer material still shows undergarments or parts of the body that should be covered (i.e., if the guest was wearing a bra would it show through the sheer areas?), the guest will not be admitted into the Castle.

Technically, we do not allow bare midriffs but that rule is rarely enforced unless the exposure is excessive.

### Acceptable ATTIRE

| Maybe | 4 |

Dress #4 may be admitted if the guest wears a shawl or jacket to cover her shoulders and midsection.

| Yes   | 5 |

Dress #5 is acceptable because her shoulder and midsection are covered but the bandeau (bra) top is questionable.

| Yes   | 6 | 7 |

These dresses are acceptable because the necklines are tasteful, and the sheer cut-outs are not excessively revealing.
Acceptable EVENING ATTIRE

Suit jackets and ties are required. Ascots, cravats, bolo, string or bow ties, banded collars or full turtlenecks are acceptable. Shirts must be tucked in buttoned at the neck.

Business casual
Smart casual

(Almost) Acceptable for Evening

Acceptable BRUNCH ATTIRE

All three of the outfits in the red box to the right are suitable for brunch.

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Casual

Male Dress Codes

PROHIBITS “Casual or athletic attire, distressed, torn, or worn fabric. Denim or jeans, sweat pants/track suits, or cargo pants.”

Acceptable ATTIRE

These dress slacks are suitable for the Castle as long as they are worn with a blazer or suit jacket.

Pockets made be tabbed (closed with a button), slit, placketed (sewn in with a narrow band), slanted, horizontal or flapped. Cargo, patch pockets are not allowed.

RULE OF THUMB: All men’s slacks should reach and/or cover their ankles. Exceptions can occasionally be made for style but pant legs that end higher than the top of the ankle are not permitted.

Acceptable ATTIRE

All of these pairs of pants are too casual for our dress code. We don’t allow cargo pants with side pockets, Dickies or pants with drawstrings.

Denim suits or jackets are never permitted except for lunch.

None of the footwear featured in the above photographs are permissible in the Castle.

Un-Acceptable ATTIRE

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2
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4
5
6

↔ NO ↔

↔ YES ↔
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**UN-Acceptable FOOTWEAR**

Casual shoes of any kind are not permitted at the Castle, except in the case of medical exceptions.

Cowboy boots and Doc Martens are acceptable if they are neat and polished.

**Acceptable BRUNCH FOOTWEAR**

Clean tennis shoes may be worn by children under 10 years of age during brunch.

Adults must wear dress shoes.

**Acceptable for Evening**

- Lace-Up
- Whole Cut
- Penny
- Bit
- Tassel
- Walking

- Slip-on
- Loafer
- Church

- Oxford
- Plain
- Double
- Triple

- Wingtip
- Block Heel
- Chelsea
- Cap Toe

- Boot
- Slip-on
- Oxford
- Loafer

- Pump
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- Chelsea
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