

# Code of Conduct

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*In this document, "RQP" refers to Royal Queens Poker Group, including its staff, contractors, and authorized representatives. For questions, feedback, or suggestions, please contact us.*

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## 1. Player Behavior

All participants are expected to treat one another with respect and courtesy. Any behavior that is rude, disrespectful, or abusive should be reported immediately to RQP.

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## 2. Use of Profanity

Profane or abusive language directed at another player, dealer, staff member, or spectator is strictly prohibited and will result in penalties. This includes explicit language such as the "f-bomb" and similar offensive expressions. RQP may also enforce a **zero-tolerance policy** at its discretion, which would penalize any profane language regardless of the target.

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## 3. Showboating

Over-the-top celebrations, inappropriate gestures, or disruptive behavior may be considered unsportsmanlike and could result in penalties.

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## 4. Poker Etiquette

Proper etiquette demonstrates respect for fellow players, the Tournament Director, and the Club. The following actions are considered poor etiquette and may result in penalties:

- A) Splashing the pot
- B) Slow-rolling a winning hand
- C) Deliberate or repeated slow play



- D) Criticizing others' gameplay
- E) Abusing the "clock" by calling it too frequently
- F) Ignoring the action at the table
- G) Keeping a messy chip stack
- H) Requesting to see mucked hands
- I) Blaming the dealer for losses
- J) Excessive or distracting chatter
- K) Touching another player's cards or chips

Persistent violations may lead to disqualification from the tournament.

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## 5. Cheating and Unethical Behavior

Maintaining the integrity of RQP tournaments is a top priority. Any attempt to cheat or gain an unfair advantage is prohibited. Cheating includes, but is not limited to:

- A) **Collusion**: Agreements between two or more players to act unethically
- B) **Chip dumping**: Intentionally losing chips to another player to boost their stack
- C) **Soft play**: Avoiding bets or raises against each other to preserve chips
- D) Chip theft or unauthorized chip movement
- E) Marking or altering cards
- F) Using fake or substituted cards
- G) Transferring chips between players or events
- H) Attempting to gain unearned chips
- I) Sharing or using another player's Club ID card/number
- J) Using cheating devices
- K) Tampering with RQP's digital or tournament systems



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## 6. Zero Tolerance for Cheating

Any player found cheating will be **immediately disqualified** and **permanently banned** from RQP.

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## 7. Integrity Enforcement

Any action, even attempted, that undermines the fairness or integrity of the club or a tournament, as judged solely by RQP, may result in penalties, including permanent expulsion.

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## 8. Theft and Property Damage

Theft or attempted theft of RQP property—such as chips, cards, tables, or equipment—or attempts to sabotage a tournament may result in legal consequences. RQP reserves the right to pursue civil and criminal action.

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## 9. Public Disclosure of Violations

To maintain a safe and fair playing environment, RQP may publicly disclose violations to help identify individuals who have been involved in unethical, illegal, or cheating behavior.

