

## MoTownCon Cosplay Competition Rules

Prizes will be awarded to children ages 8-12, teens ages 13-17, and adults 18+. MoTownCon is not responsible for any damage or loss to a prop or costume brought on-site.

By submitting this form, you agree to MoTownCon's Privacy Policy and Terms of Service, which may be viewed at [www.motowncon.com](http://www.motowncon.com). Failure to abide by and follow the following rules will result in disqualification and possible participation in future MoTownCon cosplay contests.

- By registering for MoTownCon's cosplay contest, it is assumed and agreed that contestants under the age of 18 have permission from parents/guardians to participate and have their photographs/videos taken and published per MoTownCon's Privacy Policy and Terms of Agreement which can be viewed at [www.motowncon.com](http://www.motowncon.com)
- You must be registered as a contestant one hour before MoTownCon's cosplay competition begins.
- Each contestant may only enter one costume into the competition.
- You must have some kind of foot covering. Shoes or boots are required. This is a matter of safety. If your character does not usually wear shoes, the lack of accuracy will be forgiven; If you are adamant about the look, consider shoes that match your flesh-tone, or clear shoes. **This is non-negotiable.**
- All contestants must be in the stage area where the pre-meet will occur no later than 3:30 pm. MoTownCon reserves the right to turn away any contest entry it deems inappropriate or not in compliance with the rules. This pre-meet is where we will do a check-in before briefly going over where you will enter and exit the stage area as well as explain etiquette.
- During the contest, enter and exit the stage area at the designated points only.
- A parent/guardian may accompany participants whose age requires them to be under this supervision according to MoTownCon policy. Entrants must notify the coordinator of any handlers/guardians that will need to be present.
- Only participants (and handlers if necessary) will be allowed in the pre-meet area.
- Entries should leave all personal belongings behind in their car/hotel room.
- All costumes must cover "swimsuit areas" – no nudity. MoTownCon is a family event and staff reserve the right to ask participants to cover parts of a participants costume or even leave the event if the costume is considered inappropriate. Refusal to do so will result in disqualification.

- MoTownCon adheres to the "PG-13 rule" when it comes to language and hand gestures on stage.
- Costumes must be handled by the contestant or by handler(s) the contestant brings to help. MoTownCon can not provide on-stage assistants.
- Contestants are not allowed to throw anything off the stage, nor use projectiles or use anything on the stage area that will leave a mess. This includes (but is not limited to) liquids, glitter, and confetti. If you have a question about something you want to do, please contact us at [www.motowncon.com](http://www.motowncon.com).
- No pyrotechnics, fire, explosive devices, live animals, or similar special effects can be used during the competition; this includes smoke/smog machines and flash paper/powder. All prop weapons must conform to the MoTownCon prop policies, including being checked.
- Absolutely NO jumping on or off stage. No acrobatics/flips/cartwheels will be allowed. Violating this will result in disqualification from the competition, and possible participation in future MoTownCon cosplay contests.