

**MOMS Club of El Segundo
GENERAL COURTESY
GUIDELINES**



Welcome to the MOMS Club of El Segundo.

We would like our club to be a safe and supportive environment for all, so we have adopted these General Courtesy Guidelines. MOMS Club is a support group. Please remember that there is no right or wrong way of parenting. We are not to judge others. Please be respectful of opinions and practices that may be different from yours.

- Parents are responsible for the actions and safety of their children at all times. Please ensure that this is top priority at all MOMS Club events.
- **AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR** - Aggressive behavior is not acceptable! Examples include PUNCHING, KICKING, HITTING, PUSHING, BITING, WRESTLING, HAIR PULLING etc. If any of these or similar actions occur, the parent should remove the child from the area to correct the behavior. After a short time, the child can resume activity. If the behavior is not corrected the child must leave for the day and until the behavior can be corrected.
- **SPITTING ON OTHERS and SCRATCHING OTHERS** – if any of these behaviors occur then that parent and child will leave for the day. If a child ATTEMPTS any of these behaviors, then that child should be removed from the area by his/her parent, and then can return to the activity after a short time. If another attempt is made, then the child and parent will leave for the day.
- **“PLAY NICE”** – All children are expected to “Play Nice” and include any other child who wishes to play with them. No name-calling, bullying, excluding another child from playing or being intentionally rude. Parents should take their child aside immediately and correct any such behavior. If the behavior is not corrected the child must leave for the day and until the behavior can be corrected.
- If a child is consistently having behavioral problems that has warranted his/her removal from several activities, the parent may be asked to refrain from attending events until that child’s aggressive or anti-social behavior is under control.
- If a child is deemed a danger to themselves or other children on a continual basis, the parent may be asked to leave the club.
- **SICKNESS** – Members and their children should refrain from attending any MOMS Club activity or meeting if the parent or child has the following symptoms 24 hours prior to the activity or meeting - runny nose (not due to allergies), fever, diarrhea, vomiting, and/or rash. Please be considerate of pregnant and nursing parents and small children when deciding to attend MOMS Club functions.
- Please be courteous to moms who host an event by calling or e-mailing your RSVP as early as possible and canceling promptly if necessary. Please be considerate and respect a member’s home and/or property when an activity is hosted. Be clear on designated play and eating areas and areas, which are off limits to the children. Please offer your assistance with cleaning up, and monitor your children at all times.

- As stay at home parents, it is essential to support other parents and show respect to all members. This includes being courteous and volunteering and offering help when needed. If a disagreement or misunderstanding occurs between parents, it should be settled privately between the two members in a positive/supportive manner without involving other members of the club. Aggressive, violent or disruptive verbal or physical behavior of any kind will not be tolerated (including gossip, inappropriate e-mails, harassment, profanity, yelling, negative criticism, vandalism, inappropriate touching, assault or threatening behavior, obscene gestures).
- Our club is membership driven, which means that club members take on responsibilities in ways that have a positive contribution to the club. Any requests for changes should be brought to the attention of the board for review.
- **PRIVACY** – Please respect the privacy of our members. Our membership roster is for club purposes and members only. Please do not use the roster or e-mail list for solicitation or any other purpose without prior board approval. This is not a forum for business promotions.
- All members are expected to abide by the International MOMS Club By-Laws.
- **NO SMOKING** – Smoking is not permitted due to health hazards to Parents and Children.

Any Member or Member's child whose behavior is contrary to these guidelines or MOMS Club Bylaws shall face the following consequences...

1st offense – Discussion with Board, Written Warning

2nd offense – Imposed leave of absence from club

3rd offense – Membership revoked

Member's Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____