

COMMUNITY DAYS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Friday &
Saturday
August 7 & 8
2026

Preamble

The Community Days of the Festival Fierté Montréal constitute a public space for gathering, visibility, mobilization, and celebration of 2SLGBTQIA+ communities and their allies. They aim to promote access to information, civic dialogue, community solidarity, and the recognition of the diversity of lived experiences, identities, and struggles.

The Community Days take place on Friday, August 7 and Saturday, August 8, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Within this context, Fierté Montréal has established a set of rules and conditions to ensure the smooth running of the Community Days, in a spirit of respect, safety, inclusion, accessibility, and collective responsibility.

These regulations comply with the applicable laws and regulations of the City of Montréal, the Province of Québec, and Canada, particularly with respect to public safety, human rights and freedoms, health and safety, and the use of public space.

→ Purpose of the Regulations

The purpose of these regulations is to define the conditions for participation, installation, occupation, and operation of kiosks and spaces allocated as part of the Community Days of the Festival Fierté Montréal.

In particular, they aim to:

- Set out the terms and conditions for registration and eligibility of participating organizations;
- Specify the rights, obligations, and responsibilities of accepted groups;
- Ensure a safe, respectful, inclusive, and accessible environment for all those present;
- Establish rules relating to the use of facilities, the management of activities, respect for the environment, and expected conduct.

These rules and regulations are an essential condition of participation. Any registration or attendance at Community Days implies full and complete acceptance of these provisions.

→ Application

These regulations apply to all groups, organizations, collectives, associations, institutions, and entities accepted as part of Community Days, as well as their representatives, employees, volunteers, and anyone acting on their behalf.

It also applies to any activity, event, distribution of materials, fundraising, or occupation of space carried out within the perimeter and during the official hours of Community Days.

The regulations serve as:

- A mandatory organizational framework;
- A risk prevention tool;
- A reference tool for the application of corrective, disciplinary, or exclusionary measures, if necessary.

Pride Montreal reserves the right to apply these regulations in accordance with its values, mission, and applicable laws.

→ Definitions

For the purposes of these regulations, the following terms are defined as follows:

Fierté Montréal

Refers to the non-profit organization responsible for organizing the Festival Fierté Montréal and the Community Days.

Community Days

Refers to the public event organized by Fierté Montréal as part of its annual festival, featuring booths and community activities open to the public.

Participating Group/Organization

Refers to any legally constituted entity or recognized collective that has submitted an application and has been officially accepted by Fierté Montréal to participate in Community Days.

This designation includes, but is not limited to, 2SLGBTQIA+ community organizations, allied organizations, public or parapublic institutions, according to the categories defined by Fierté Montréal.

Booth

Refers to the space allocated to a participating group for setting up equipment, distributing information, hosting activities, or holding meetings with the public.

Representative

Refers to any person authorized by a participating group to act on its behalf at the Community Days site.

→ Eligibility and Acceptance of Applications

Participation in Community Days is conditional upon prior registration and formal acceptance of the application by Fierté Montréal.

Applications are evaluated based on the following criteria, among others:

- Consistency with Fierté Montréal's mission, values, and objectives;
- The community, informational, or awareness-raising nature of the proposed participation;
- Compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- The group's ability to comply with these regulations and logistical requirements;
- The availability of space and the overall diversity of community programming.

Any decision made by Fierté Montréal under this article is intended to preserve the integrity, safety, and inclusive spirit of Community Days.

→ Mandatory Information Session

At least one representative from each participating group must attend the mandatory information session organized by Fierté Montréal.

The session will take place on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EDT).

→ Booth Installation and Setup

Participating groups must set up their booths exclusively in the space allocated to them by Fierté Montréal, according to the dimensions and configurations communicated in advance.

All installations must be safe, stable, and comply with municipal requirements and safety standards applicable in the City of Montreal.

Tents, structures, or equipment brought by groups must be self-supporting and securely anchored. When required, anchors must have a minimum total weight of forty (40) kilograms per structure, distributed evenly (10 kg per foot). Authorized types of anchors include concrete blocks, sandbags, or weights designed for this purpose.

Tents, structures, or equipment brought by groups must be fireproof, in accordance with CAN/U

No fastening, perforation, modification, or alteration of the equipment provided by Fierté Montréal or public infrastructure is permitted. The use of adhesive, decorative, or promotional materials must be non-damaging and easily removable.

Fierté Montréal reserves the right to require the removal or adjustment of any installation deemed non-compliant, dangerous, or likely to interfere with safety or traffic.

—→ Decoration and Signage

The decoration of booths must respect the inclusive, community-oriented, and non-commercial spirit of Community Days. Visual elements, posters, banners, and promotional materials must be:

- Compliant with applicable laws, particularly those relating to human rights and hate speech;
- Free of discriminatory, violent, hateful, or exclusionary language;
- Installed in a safe manner that does not pose a risk to the public.

Any decorations that could damage equipment, obstruct the visibility of other booths, or compromise universal accessibility are prohibited.

—→ Sound and Noise

All sound broadcasts must remain compatible with the public, community, and family nature of Community Days.

Participating groups must keep the sound volume at a reasonable level that allows for harmonious coexistence between kiosks and respect for the neighborhood.

Fierté Montréal reserves the right to limit, adjust, or interrupt any sound broadcast deemed excessive, disruptive, or non-compliant with applicable municipal regulations, without prior notice.

Failure to comply with sound guidelines may result in penalties ranging from a warning to interruption of the activity or removal of the kiosk.

—→ Electricity and Electrical Equipment

Access to electricity is neither provided nor guaranteed. Groups wishing to use a power source must notify Fierté Montréal at the time of registration and assume full responsibility for the necessary arrangements.

When access to electricity is required, it must be used in accordance with current safety standards. Extension cords, power strips, and electrical equipment must be certified and in good condition.

—→ Eco-Responsibility

Community Days are part of an eco-responsible approach aimed at reducing the event's environmental footprint.

Participating groups commit to:

- Limiting the use of single-use materials;
- Prioritizing recyclable, reusable, or compostable materials;
- Properly managing their waste.

Excessive or unjustified use of non-recyclable materials may result in corrective measures.

—→ Condom Distribution

Fierté Montréal has granted exclusivity to the Trojan brand. All external condoms distributed during Community Days must be of this brand. You can contact Fierté Montréal if your group would like to obtain free Trojan brand external condoms for distribution.

—→ Fundraising and Non-Commercial Activities

No commercial activity is permitted during Community Days.

Fundraising activities for community or charitable purposes are permitted.

All fundraising must be clearly presented as a voluntary contribution, with no mandatory commercial consideration.

—→ Food and Health Safety

The distribution of food or beverages is subject to applicable food safety laws and regulations in Quebec.

Groups wishing to distribute food must:

- Comply with hygiene and preservation standards;
- Clearly display the presence of allergens.

————→ **Conduct, Respect, and Non-Discrimination**

Participants must comply with the non-discrimination and harassment prevention policy.

Complaints are reviewed by the team designated by Fierté Montréal, and proportionate sanctions may be applied.

[Consult the Harassment Prevention and Non-Discrimination Policy and the Complaint Handling Mechanism for Hate Speech or Discrimination](#)

————→ **Non-instrumentalization and consistency of commitments**

Participation in the Community Days does not constitute, and cannot be presented as, an endorsement by Fierté Montréal of the positions, actions, or communications of any participating group.

Any public or private communication, regardless of the channel, that presents, implies, or could reasonably be interpreted as presenting a group's participation in the Community Days as an endorsement by Fierté Montréal of its positions, actions, past communications, or those of its representatives constitutes an instrumentalization of Fierté Montréal. This includes, but is not limited to: presenting participation as an invitation from Fierté Montréal when it is simply registration within an open collective framework; using the name or logo of Fierté Montréal without prior written authorization; referring to participation to refute external criticism; or describing its inclusion as a stance taken by Fierté Montréal on a geopolitical or community issue.

Participation in the Community Days also requires a minimum level of consistency between the values promoted by the event and the public positions or practices of the participating group. Fierté Montréal reserves the right to refuse or withdraw participation when a clear and documented discrepancy exists between these two aspects, particularly when a group's public statements or practices actively contradict the rights and dignity of 2SLGBTQIA+ people.

Any breach of these provisions, observed before, during, or after the Community Days, may result in the withdrawal of the group's participation, without notice or compensation.

————→ **Liability, Cancellation, and Force Majeure**

Participating groups are responsible for their activities and equipment. Fierté Montréal is not liable for loss, theft, or damage.

Fierté Montréal, its board of directors, executive direction, staff and volunteers, cannot be sued for damages or otherwise in the event of the non-respect of the guidelines contained in this guide, its entirety or in part, following a fire, a storm, a flood, a war, a rebellion, an insurrection, a riot, a civil commotion, a strike, a worker's conflict, a fuel shortage, an accident or as a result of unforeseeable circumstances or force majeure beyond Fierté Montréal's control, whether or not the causes resemble those listed above. The registration fees cannot be refunded in the aboved-mentioned cases, but registration may be postponed to the next edition subject to prior agreement before August 31, 2026.

————→ **Special Measures for the 2026 Edition**

As part of the suspension of Category C4 for the 2026 edition, and in order to ensure consistency in the application of this decision, the display of official flags of foreign sovereign states is prohibited for all groups participating in the Community days, regardless of their registration category, for this edition. This provision applies to national flags whose primary purpose is to represent a foreign sovereign state. This rule applies without exception to all countries and foreign sovereign states. Cultural, religious, identity-based, or rights advocacy movement symbols are not covered by this provision. In cases of ambiguity regarding the nature of a symbol, the decision rests with Fierté Montreal Festival.