

POLICY NAME	Elizabeth Métis Settlement Public Disturbance Policy
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POLICY STATEMENT

This policy sets out the rules for behaviour, conduct, and response to public disturbance during any event, meeting, gathering, program, rental, or function hosted by the Elizabeth Métis Settlement.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to protect the peace, safety, and enjoyment of community events and to ensure that all attendees, staff, volunteers, and residents are treated with respect.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all persons attending, organizing, supporting, or participating in any Settlement-hosted or Settlement-approved event, whether the event takes place indoors or outdoors.

DEFINITIONS IN THE POLICY:

For the purpose of this policy:

- A) **“Public Disturbance”** means any behaviour that disrupts an event, creates a safety concern, interferes with others, or causes disorder.
- B) **“Event”** means any meeting, gathering, program, function, celebration, rental, or community activity hosted by the Elizabeth Métis Settlement.
- C) **“Renter”** means any individual, family, group, committee, organization, or non-resident approved to use a Settlement event space.
- D) **“Disruptive Behaviour”** means fighting, screaming, shouting, swearing, threats, harassment, intoxication, vandalism, refusal to follow directions, or any other conduct that interferes with the safe and respectful use of the event.

POLICY RULES

- All persons must conduct themselves in a respectful and orderly manner at all times.
- Fighting, physical aggression, verbal abuse, threats, harassment, vandalism, and other disorderly conduct are not allowed.
- A person who is intoxicated or behaving in a disruptive manner may be refused entry or directed to leave.
- No person may interfere with staff, volunteers, security, or other guests.
- Noise must be kept to a reasonable level so the event does not disturb others.
- The renter is responsible for the behaviour of all guests and participants attending their event.
- Any damage caused by a disturbance must be paid for by the responsible person or renter.

RESPONSE TO A DISTURBANCE

If a disturbance occurs, Settlement staff or the designated supervisor may:

- give a warning,
- require the person to leave the premises,
- contact security, RCMP, or emergency services if needed,
- end the event early,
- document the incident for follow-up.

CONSEQUENCES

A person or renter who violates this policy may lose the right to attend or host future events, may be held responsible for damage or cleanup costs, and may be subject to any other action approved by the Elizabeth Métis Settlement Administration.

REPORTING

All incidents of public disturbance should be reported to the Family & Children's Director, Recreation Director, Administrator, or other designated authority as soon as possible.

Approved this 12th day of May, 2026 at a duly called Regular Council Meeting.

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