

Stadium regulations

The stadium regulations are intended to promote an environment in which visitors feel safe and treated appropriately before, during and after an event. No one else should be harmed, endangered or - more than is avoidable under the circumstances - hindered or inconvenienced.

§ 1 General

(1) These stadium regulations apply to the enclosed assembly areas and facilities of the Stadion An der Alten Försterei grounds and extend in the west from the edge of the street An der Wuhlheide to the edge of the An der Alten Försterei training ground in the east (behind the residential buildings on Hämmerlingstr.) and from the northern edge of the forest in the Wuhlheide to the south to the edge on the Wuhle. The stadium regulations apply on the respective event days for all events that take place in the Stadion An der Alten Försterei or on the ancillary facilities. They also apply to the areas used outside the designated areas (car parks), unless these are regulated by separate regulations.

(2) The general public is not entitled to access to or use of the stadium's venues and facilities.

(3) The provisions of these stadium regulations shall apply unless otherwise contractually agreed. The contracts to be concluded in individual cases for the use of the stadium are governed by civil law.

(4) The Stadion an der Alten Försterei and its ancillary facilities are equipped with extensive surveillance equipment (video cameras) for the safety of spectators. Video recordings may be stored for a reasonable period of time and, if necessary, used to preserve evidence. Every visitor irrevocably consents to the free use of image and/or sound recordings of their person - in particular for live broadcasts, programmes and/or recordings - made in connection with an event for any audiovisual media.

§ 2 Admission and stay

(1) Only persons who are carrying a valid admission ticket or other authorisation pass or who can prove their right to stay for an event in some other way are permitted to stay in the venues and facilities of the Stadion An der Alten Försterei.

(2) Persons who cannot provide proof of their authorisation to stay or persons who pose a security risk must be turned back and prevented from entering the Stadion An der Alten Försterei.

(3) The stewards are authorised to examine persons - also by using technical aids - to determine whether they pose a security risk due to excessive alcohol or drug consumption or because they are carrying weapons or dangerous objects within the definition of § 6 or flammable objects. The examination extends to items of clothing and any other containers carried. Visitors who refuse to be examined or who are obviously under the influence of alcohol or drugs or who are carrying weapons or dangerous objects within the definition of § 6 and do not agree to their seizure by the security service must also be turned away and prevented from entering the stadium.

(4) Persons within the enclosed areas who, based on their behaviour or other indications or findings, are suspected of having committed criminal offences or that they are subject to a local or nationwide stadium ban for sporting events or that they are under the influence of alcohol or drugs or are carrying weapons or dangerous objects within the definition of § 6, the control and

security service are authorised to inspect their clothing and containers in order to clarify the matter and to check their identity by inspecting their identity documents.

(5) Sectors 2 to 4 in the An der Alten Försterei stadium are home areas. In order to avert danger, to avoid conflicts (e.g. arguments) and provocations (e.g. through gestures or statements), it is forbidden to be there in the colours or with the symbols of a visiting team, as well as to make statements contrary to those of the home visitors.

Sector 5 is an exclusive guest fan area. It is forbidden to stay or linger in this area as a fan of the home team.

Visitors who violate these prohibitions may be expelled from the sectors and from the stadium grounds by the stewards. Visitors who are turned away are not entitled to a refund of the admission fee.

(6) Visitors must take the place indicated on the admission ticket for the respective event. Only the designated paths and entrances are to be used to get there. Non-public areas are excluded from access.

(7) It should be noted that choreographies, flags, banners or similar may temporarily restrict visibility in the stadium in consideration of other visitors. Any obstruction of the view does not entitle the holder to take another seat or to a (partial) refund of the admission fee.

(8) The general public are not permitted to remain in the stadium on non-event days. Exceptions to this are the locations for business operations (office of 1. FC Union Berlin e.V., Union-Zeughaus) during the designated opening hours.

(9) Children up to the age of 14 may only enter if accompanied by an adult. The standing areas are not suitable for children up to the age of 7 and their use is not recommended. The parents or guardians of children are responsible if these areas are used contrary to the recommendation. The current version of the Youth Protection Act at the time of admission applies. Special regulations deviating from this, e.g. for events or stadium tours, will be communicated prior to the respective event or stated in the applicable General Terms and Conditions.

(10) Visitors who are dependent on the accompaniment of an assistant are only admitted with an accompanying person who is at least 16 years of age.

(11) Visitors in wheelchairs may only remain in the areas explicitly designated for this purpose.

§ 3 Behaviour

(1) Visitors must follow the instructions of the police, the fire brigade, the stewards, the rescue service and the stadium announcer.

(2) The right of all persons to non-discrimination, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation, ethnic origin, religion, ideology, age, disability or handicap, is recognised by visitors. This does not affect individual decisions by the organiser due to increased security relevance.

(3) All entrances and exits as well as escape routes must be kept clear.

(4) It is prohibited to stand in the seating area during an ongoing event.

(5) It is not permitted to bring bags, rucksacks and other luggage carriers into the stadium, with the following exceptions:

- o Fanny packs / bum bags
- o Bags and handbags with a maximum size of A4 (21 x 29.7 cm)

§ 4 Prohibitions

(1) Visitors are prohibited from carrying the following items into the stadium:

- a) Weapons of any kind;
- b) objects or items that can be used as weapons (e.g. also umbrellas) or projectiles, which in their nature can injure people or damage property;
- c) objects or clothing that are suitable as protective weapons that can be used under the given circumstances to ward off enforcement measures authorised by the authorities;
- d) objects that are suitable for and, under the circumstances, intended to prevent identification;
- e) Gas spray cans and pressurised containers for highly flammable or harmful gases (commercially available pocket lighters are excluded), flammable liquids, corrosive or colouring substances;
- f) bottles (including refillable bottles), cups, jugs or cans made of fragile, splintering or particularly hard material; the carriage of non-alcoholic drinks in a 'Tetra-Pak' or for small children in the containers provided for this purpose (up to a maximum of 1 litre) is permitted;
- g) bulky objects (e.g. ladders, stools, chairs, crates, suitcases, tripods for recording equipment, pushchairs, buggies, etc.);
- h) Fireworks, rockets, Bengal flares, smoke powder, smoke bombs, flares and other pyrotechnic objects;
- i) flag or banner poles longer than 2 metres or with a diameter greater than 3 cm (except for large flags after registration) as well as large banners and banners without registration, large quantities of paper or paper rolls (wallpaper);
- j) electrically or mechanically operated noise instruments and voice amplifiers, unless permission has been granted by the organiser;
- k) drugs or alcoholic beverages of any kind;
- l) animals (in exceptional cases with special authorisation, e.g. guide dogs);
- m) laser pens;
- n) video cameras or other sound and image recording devices, cameras that can be used for commercial purposes (unless the organiser has given its consent);
- o) any racist, xenophobic, anti-Semitic, extremist, violence-glorifying, discriminatory propaganda material; the same applies to clothing bearing lettering or symbols with racist, xenophobic, anti-Semitic, extremist, violence-glorifying or discriminatory content as well as aggressive forms of political agitation or propaganda;
- p) any political information material, unless authorised by the organiser

q) items of clothing whose manufacture, distribution or target group are generally recognised as having a right-wing extremist connotation;

r) objects that are intended to spread or promote religious views.

Visitors are also prohibited from

(a) the dissemination of propaganda materials and slogans that glorify violence, are discriminatory, racist, xenophobic or radical, and in particular to express a right-wing extremist or discriminatory attitude by means of right-wing extremist materials, right-wing extremist slogans or gestures;

b) engaging in sexualised violence, the reduction of gender to sexual attractiveness, physically approaching other visitors in an unwanted manner or touching them in an unwanted manner;

c) offering, selling or in any way providing weapons, prohibited items, objects or clothing to other persons within the scope of the stadium regulations or to accept these from other persons in any way;

d) climbing on or over structures and facilities not intended for general use, in particular facades, fences, walls, enclosures of the playing area, barriers, lighting systems, camera platforms, trees, any planting areas, masts of all kinds and roofs as well as their bracing and supporting devices;

e) climbing on seats or to have an improper mechanical impact on them;

f) entering areas that are not authorised for visitors (e.g. the playing field, the stadium interior, the function rooms);

g) throwing of objects of any kind;

h) making fires, setting off or launching fireworks, rockets, Bengal flares, smoke powder, smoke bombs and other pyrotechnic objects;

i) selling goods and tickets, distributing printed matter and organising collections without the required commercial licence and without the permission of 'An der Alten Försterei' Stadionbetriebs AG;

j) labelling, painting or sticking on, scratching, etching or otherwise damaging structures, facilities, trees or paths;

k) the use of banners, flags, slogans and banners to obstruct the view of other visitors or to conceal unauthorised activities;

l) to relieve oneself outside the toilets or to otherwise pollute the stadium, in particular by in any other way, in particular by throwing away items (waste, packaging, empty containers, etc.);

m) the use of bulky mobility aids (e.g. wheelchairs, walking frames, etc.) outside the designated areas on a permanent basis;

n) setting up, attaching or storing objects;

o) to enter the Stadion An der Alten Försterei in a form that may prevent identification;

p) to use sound and image recordings made on the premises for commercial purposes without authorisation (sound and image recordings made on match days are only permitted for private purposes; recordings of match scenes are not permitted);

q) to spend the night in the stadium.

(2) It is prohibited to obstruct traffic areas, footpaths and in particular escape routes. Sales stands are permitted after prior authorisation by the 'An der Alten Försterei' Stadionbetriebs AG in the designated sales areas. Green areas must be kept clear.

(3) For the protection of public order, it is prohibited to form a mob with other persons within the enclosed areas of the 'An der Alten Försterei' stadium. A mob action is deemed to have taken place if several persons show the will to disturb public order by acting together.

§ 5 Liability

(1) Entering and using the stadium is at your own risk.

(2) For personal injury and damage to property caused by third parties, the 'An der Alten Försterei Stadionbetriebs' AG or the respective organiser shall not be liable.

(3) The stadium operating company or the respective organiser shall be liable in accordance with the statutory provisions if damage to life, limb or health has been culpably caused by intent or gross negligence on the part of their legal representatives or vicarious agents.

(4) Liability under the Product Liability Act is not limited.

(5) Accidents or damage must be reported immediately to the stadium operating company or the respective organiser.

§ 6 Offences

(1) By purchasing an admission ticket or other access authorisation, visitors recognise the stadium regulations of 'An der Alten Försterei' Stadionbetriebs AG as binding.

(2) Rejected or expelled visitors are not entitled to a refund of the admission fee if they have acted wilfully or negligently against the stadium regulations. Likewise, persons who are obviously under the influence of alcohol or drugs are not entitled to a refund.

(3) Persons who intentionally or negligently violate the stadium regulations during an event may be banned from the stadium locally or, within the Federal Republic of Germany, nationwide, subject to proportionality.

(4) Visitors who commit a criminal offence or an administrative offence within the stadium grounds may be charged with a criminal offence and a criminal complaint may be filed.

(5) If the stadium operating company or the organiser is held liable by third parties for damages and/or fines as a result of the disorderly behaviour of visitors, these claims will be asserted by way of recourse.

(6) Prohibited items will be seized if they are required for criminal investigation proceedings. Otherwise, visitors carrying prohibited items have the choice of leaving the stadium with these items or renouncing ownership of the items and handing them over to the security and

stewarding service for destruction. In the latter case, there is no entitlement to the return of such items.

(7) The rights of 'An der Alten Försterei' Stadionbetriebs AG as the holder of the domiciliary rights remain unaffected.

§ 7 Final provision

(1) The stadium regulations enter into force on 15 August 2024.

(2) The stadium regulations may be amended by the operator at any time and without giving reasons. Each new edition (version) of these stadium regulations automatically replaces any previous edition and thus supersedes it.