

Seaway Chorale and Orchestra Rules and Guidelines

- I. General Choral Guidelines
 - A. No perfumes, cologne, or strongly scented deodorants, etc.
 - B. This means you.
 - C. Avoid chewing gum during rehearsals. (And performances...)
 - D. Maintain good hygiene.
 - E. Attendance at rehearsal and performances under the influence of drugs or alcohol is **strictly** prohibited. Considering our primary performance venue is a school, this is a zero-tolerance policy.

- II. Rehearsals
 - A. Rehearsal time is 7pm-9:30 unless otherwise previously specified.
 - B. Bring a pencil to all rehearsals.
 - C. Cell phone use.
 - i. Texting and social media are not allowed during rehearsals.
 - ii. Phone use is permitted for audio recording of rehearsals.
 - iii. Exceptions for emergencies or special situations can be made with your section leader as needed.
 - D. Your late arrival should not be cause for disruption of rehearsal. If you come in late, you will have to get notes from your section during a break, not in the middle of rehearsal. (See Seaway's policy on attendance as well.)
 - E. Rehearsal break time is 15 minutes. Monthly "Cake Break" is slightly longer.
 - F. Should weather or other factors affect rehearsal, there will be a notification on Facebook and a text or call from your section leader.

- III. Performance Standards
 - A. Performance attire is determined by the production manager(s); all performers are expected to adhere to those guidelines.
 - B. The director reserves the right to remove anyone from the performance due to lack of preparation, improper attire, or any reason that he/she feels reduces the integrity of the performance.

- IV. Communication Structure
 - A. In most cases, musical questions and concerns should be brought to *your* section leader, who will communicate to the director as needed at an appropriate time.
 - B. Non-musical performance concerns should be directed to the production manager(s) and non-performance concerns are most likely a question for the board of directors.

Note: In addition to these guidelines, all choir members are expected to observe the rules of any facility (church, school, etc.) that we are using at any time. You represent our organization, so failure to do so could result in your removal from the group.