

## **Memorial Site of the SS-special camp / concentration camp Hinzert**

# **HOUSE RULES**

**Welcome to the Memorial Site of the SS-special camp / concentration camp Hinzert!**

**The memorial site is dedicated specially to remembering the victims of National Socialist crimes. Facing the responsibility which arises from the history of this place is part of national and international remembrance culture. This also means that we expect our visitors to behave in a manner befitting the character of this memorial site. In particular, this includes treating all people who visit and work here with respect and consideration. Therefore, we ask visitors to refrain from any behaviour that disturbs or restricts the opportunities for remembrance, mourning, reflection, learning, and education. Likewise, any behaviour that provokes or impairs other visitors in their remembrance, reflection, and learning must be refrained from.**

### **Scope of Application**

These house rules apply to all visitors on the entire grounds and in all buildings of the memorial site. By entering the memorial site, you acknowledge and agree to comply with these rules.

### **Rules of Conduct and Liability**

- Children under the age of 14 may only visit the memorial site when accompanied by an adult.
- Supervising adults are responsible for the children in their care throughout the entire visit. In the event of a breach of supervisory duty, the accompanying adults shall be liable for any damage caused by the children under their supervision. This also applies during participation in educational programmes.
- Guided tours of the grounds and exhibitions may only be conducted by staff of the memorial site or persons authorized by the memorial site.
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- In the event of continuous disruption or serious provocation, tours or events will be terminated. In particular, any questioning of the crimes of the Nazi regime and their contexts will not be tolerated.
- The rooms and objects within them must be treated with care. Soiling and damage must be avoided. Deliberate damage to property will be reported to the authorities.
- The memorial site's parking lot is available to visitors only for the duration of their visit and only for parking vehicles. Overnight stays in the parking lot as well as parking on the grass are prohibited.
- Filming and photography for private purposes are permitted, provided that other visitors are not disturbed or their personal rights infringed. Any commercial filming or publication in media or on the internet requires prior approval from the memorial site.
- Dogs and other animals are permitted on a leash in the exhibition and on the cemetery paths.
- Some paths on the grounds are not fully developed for reasons of monument preservation. These are specially marked. Please pay particular attention to your own safety in these areas. Entering the grounds of the former prisoner's camp and the "sites of inhumanity" is at your own risk.
- Liability for property damage resulting from non-compliance with these rules is excluded. This does not apply to damage caused intentionally or through gross negligence by the memorial site.
- In the event of a fire alarm, the building must be evacuated quickly, calmly, and in an orderly manner via the designated escape routes, and everyone must assemble at the designated assembly points.

**The following are prohibited:**

- Use of any means of transport, except wheelchairs and walking aids;
- Smoking and open flames in buildings and outdoor areas;
- Eating and drinking inside the chapel as well as on the cemetery;
- Bringing dogs onto the grounds of the former prisoner's camp or into the chapel;
- Use of media devices with speakers;
- Any inhumane, in particular violence-glorifying, discriminatory, antisemitic, racist, or extreme-right statements or behaviour. Behaviour that gives rise to suspicion of incitement to hatred under § 130 of the German Criminal Code will be reported to the authorities without exception, and a ban from the premises will be issued;
- Wearing or displaying clothing, tattoos, objects, or symbols with extremist or discriminatory content. In particular, the wearing or displaying of symbols banned under § 86(1) nos. 1, 2, and 4 of the German Criminal Code is prohibited (anti-

constitutional symbols). Violations will be reported to the authorities without exception, and a ban from the premises will be issued;

- Bringing in any weapons and dangerous objects.

**In the event of violations, we reserve the right to expel individuals from the memorial site and issue bans from the premises.**

**The following are permitted only with the consent of the head of the memorial site or a person designated by them:**

- Filming, photography, and audio recordings of tours and events, as well as the use of drones,
- Distribution or display of printed materials of any kind on the grounds and inside the buildings of the memorial site,
- Bringing and/or attaching stickers, posters, banners, and flags,
- Holding commemorative or other public events, as well as artistic performances on the grounds and inside the buildings of the memorial site;
- Commercial activities.

### **Final Notes**

The staff of the memorial site and of the Friends of Hinzert Association (Förderverein Gedenkstätte KZ Hinzert e.V.) exercise property rights. They ensure compliance with these house rules and are authorized to issue behavioural instructions. In the event of violations of these rules, they may issue a ban from the premises.

The head of the memorial site, 1. February 2026