

Lecken is an erogenous party with a strong commitment to the dance floor

Lecken is **open to everyone**, regardless of gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, skin color, nationality, ability, body type, etc. This also means that we do not tolerate any discrimination, hate, harassment, or shaming.

Lecken is a dance party that plays with and encourages erotic expression. It is a setting in which many potential forms of **connection and conviviality** are made possible, but also where misunderstanding and conflict may arise.

And perhaps most importantly: Lecken is grounded in a **queer feminist and trans-inclusive politics**, meaning that **we want to center women and femmes and trans, inter, and nonbinary folks as conscious architects, rather than passive objects, of desire**. Reorienting desire away from cis male domination means that we encourage experimentation away from the normal or conventional ways of doing things. **Transformation begins with the needs of the most vulnerable.**

We believe there's more to holding a space than making it "safe" through rules of conduct, but we are committed to creating a context in which **everyone can feel uninhibited, while also being respectful of others**. **Consent is more about mutual satisfaction than a fixed contract. NO always means NO**, but we know that in practice consent is rarely as clear-cut as an enthusiastic YES. **Watching also requires consent**. There are many ways of getting someone's attention: **asking to join, a polite tap on the shoulder, eye contact**, etc. Don't proceed unless everyone is on the same page. Even if consent is given, **you can ALWAYS change your mind in the middle of things and walk away if your mood or arousal changes**. Be extra aware if your partner is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. Condoms, gloves, and lube are also available!

While under the influence of drugs or alcohol, we often find ourselves in situations that may not have happened while sober. This does not mean we should absolutely avoid such encounters, but it does mean that we need to **check in with ourselves and our friends regularly, and be clear with ourselves about our wants and needs**. CONSUME RESPONSIBLY ♥

Most of all, we have found that this works best when all participants in the party space think of their own enjoyment as intertwined with the enjoyment of others. When we start to think about our party as a temporary community, in which everyone in the space is a member, we can all see ourselves as **co-producers of a shared experience**. We must work together to create a positive and inclusive atmosphere and **watch out for each other**, especially those who are less familiar with this context.

We strongly believe in the principles of communal care and non-violent conflict resolution. That is to say, if you, or someone you are with, find yourself in a situation where you feel **uncomfortable or unsure**, please find a member of the **A-Team!** **We will do our best to mediate.** Or, if you prefer, you can fill out (also anonymously) the **feedback form on our website:** <https://lecken.berlin/contact>

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