

Croquet SA Google Group Policy

The primary purpose of the Croquet SA (CSA) Google Group is to disseminate information, including flyers and questionnaires, to its members. It is not a medium to express personal opinions. Personal opinions should be directed to the person (s) of concern and not posted to the Croquet SA Google Group.

An acceptable posting content policy outlines the expected standards for content shared online by current members of CSA and/or current members of a Croquet Club, particularly on social media and information-sharing platforms, by individuals representing an organisation or its members. It aims to ensure responsible online behaviour, protect the organisation's reputation, and prevent legal or ethical issues.

Key aspects of SACA's acceptable posting content policy include:

1. General Conduct:

Respectful and Professional Tone:

Maintain a courteous and respectful tone in all online interactions, even when expressing disagreement.

Avoiding Harmful Content:

Refrain from posting offensive, discriminatory, hateful, harassing, or threatening content.

Privacy and Confidentiality:

Protect sensitive information, including detailed personal information of individuals and confidential organisational information.

Truthfulness and Accuracy:

Ensure information shared is accurate and factual, avoiding the spread of misinformation or unsubstantiated claims.

Respect for Intellectual Property:

Adhere to state and federal copyright laws and respect the intellectual property rights of others.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations:

Abide by all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, including those related to defamation, harassment, and cybercrime.

2. Specific Prohibitions:

Defamation and Libel:

Avoid making false and damaging statements about individuals or organisations.

Harassment and Bullying:

Refrain from engaging in online harassment, bullying, or intimidation of others.

Discriminatory Content:

Do not post discriminatory content based on factors like race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation.

Copyright Infringement:

Avoid using copyrighted material without permission or proper attribution.

Confidential Information:

Do not disclose confidential information related to the organisation or its clients.

Misrepresentation:

Avoid impersonating others or falsely representing the organisation's views.

Distinguishing Views:

Indicate that personal opinions expressed on personal accounts do not represent the views of the organisation.

Avoiding Conflict of Interest:

Disclose any potential conflicts of interest when posting about the organisation or its services.

Maintaining Professionalism:

Even on personal accounts, maintain a professional tone and avoid posting anything that could damage the organisation's reputation.

3. Security and Privacy:

Avoiding Phishing and Scams:

Be cautious of and do not post suspicious links, and avoid engaging in phishing or scam attempts.

Reporting Security Breaches:

Report any security breaches or potential threats to CSA or the appropriate authorities.

4. Enforcement and Consequences:

Monitoring and Review:

The organisation may monitor online activity to ensure compliance with the policy or act on any complaints from group members.

Consequences for Violations:

Violations of the policy may result in disciplinary action, ranging from a formal written warning from CSA to the removal of posting ability on the Croquet SA Google Group.

Legal and Ethical Responsibility:

Individuals are ultimately responsible for their online behaviour and may be held liable for any violations of the policy.

By adhering to these guidelines, individuals can contribute to a positive and safe online environment while upholding the organisation's reputation and values.