



DRESS CODE

At The Canterbury Club, standards of dress form an important part of the Club experience. Members and guests are asked to dress in a manner that is smart, tasteful, and appropriate to both the occasion, time of day, and traditions of the Club.

Members are responsible for ensuring their guests observe the dress code, so please brief them in advance.

GENERAL APPEARANCE & PRESENTATION

Smart Casual / Business Casual attire is the minimum standard throughout the Club. Members and guests are expected to wear smart, clean, pressed attire in good repair. Military Dress of the Day is acceptable attire for members and guests.

For Gentlemen: Gentlemen must have at least one collar as part of their attire, either from a collared shirt or from a tailored jacket or blazer, tailored trousers or approved denim, and appropriate footwear. Jackets are encouraged throughout the Club and may be required for designated events and formal dining occasions. Collared shirts should be tucked in, and a smart polo or crew neck t-shirt may be worn only when paired with a tailored jacket or blazer. Shorts are not permitted for men at any time.

For Ladies: Dresses, skirts, tailored trousers or approved denim, blouses, knitwear, and other smart attire with appropriate footwear.

DENIM

Smart jeans may be worn provided they are a solid colour, tailored, and in good repair. Ripped, distressed, faded, frayed, embellished, or carpenter-style denim is not permitted.

FORMAL DINING & EVENTS

Dress requirements for Club functions, private events, and formal dining occasions will be specified in the relevant event notice or invitation and will be no less than the Club's minimum business casual standard.

The Club may designate specific requirements such as Jacket Preferred, Jacket Required, Lounge Suit, Black Tie, or Business Formal, and members and guests are expected to comply with the stated requirement for each event.

FOOTWEAR

Formal shoes, loafers, leather boots, and other smart footwear are acceptable, including clean, understated leather or suede sneakers in excellent condition that complement an otherwise smart outfit.

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION GUESTS

Guests in Club accommodation rooms may wear casual clothing or sportswear while transiting between the Club entrances/exits, reception, and their assigned guest rooms.

When using the Club's dining, bar and other common areas, accommodation guests are expected to comply with the Club dress code.



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NOT PERMITTED	Clothing not permitted includes garments that are overly casual, heavily branded, unclean, damaged, athletic, or excessively revealing. T-shirts or singlets worn as outerwear, hooded sweatshirts, and cargo/carpenter/tradesman style garments are not permitted at any time. Footwear not permitted includes athletic or running shoes, jandals/flip-flops, sliders, casual sandals, hiking footwear, work boots, and other excessively casual styles.
EXCEPTIONS	Where the Club hosts a special event, themed function, or other special occasion, the event organiser may, with the Club's agreement, approve temporary dress code variations specific to that event to allow for otherwise prohibited items like team apparel, athletic apparel, other styles of shoes, shorts, hats, etc. Any approved variations will be communicated in advance through the event invitation or Club notice and may be limited to certain areas of the club.
OUTERWEAR, BAGS & PERSONAL ITEMS	Coats and jackets may be hung on the coat hooks located in the hallway between the Cambridge Room and the Billiard Room, or on the coat tree outside the restaurant. Coats may not be placed on the backs of chairs. Hats, umbrellas, luggage, sports bags, backpacks, and similar items should not be brought into the 1872 Restaurant & Bar or other shared Club spaces. Staff are available to assist with storing of these items.
ELECTRONIC DEVICES	All electronic devices must be switched to silent mode or turned off upon entry to the Club. Hand-held electronic devices, including phones and tablets, may be used to access reading material in any area of the Club. Voice communication, laptops, and tablets on stands or with attached keyboards are not permitted in common areas, corridors, the 1872 Restaurant & Bar, the patio, or the courtyard. These items may be used only in the Club's Private Function Rooms and the Business Centre, and staff will be pleased to direct members and guests to an appropriate private location on request.

The guiding principle is simple: attire should be smart, refined, and respectful of the traditions and character of The Canterbury Club. If no specific requirement is stated, members should choose the more formal option. The Club reserves the right to determine whether attire meets the required standard.

Members or guests who do not meet the required standard may be asked to adjust their attire or may be refused entry to certain Club areas.