

# **WARENESS**

**Take care of yourself – be aware.**

**Take care of each other – be aware.**

Respect your personal boundaries and those of others.

In every case, the person affected decides what they consider abuse or an assault.

Boundaries can be violated everywhere – also in leftist spaces like this one. Let us oppose discrimination of any kind together.

**That means: Racism, sexism, ableism<sup>1</sup>, homo-, trans- and queerphobia as well as violence and abusive behaviour of any kind have no room here!**

**All people present should demonstrate solidarity with these principles and with the victims of abuse, so that everyone can feel safe.**

<sup>1</sup>Discrimination of people, to whom physical or mental “disabilities” are attributed.

**Freedom  
means**



**taking on  
responsibility!**

The basic aim of Awareness is that everybody feels safe. In a best-case scenario, we don't have to actively intervene at any point to achieve that. We help when you ask us to – in any case, any further actions are determined by you.

**We want to offer you quiet, safety and a sympathetic ear – everything you confide to us, stays with us.** We take your side and don't question the fact that you experienced a violation of your boundaries. **You can find us at the Awareness-Table next to the coatroom; we are sober, available and visible throughout the entire evening.** If you need a safe place to retreat to, come see us at the Awareness-Table or tell someone at the bar – there is a quiet room away from the crowd available.

Whether you are directly affected or not: You can find brochures about our consent-concept and about sexism and other forms of discrimination at the Awareness-Table.

**It is important to us that everyone can feel safe.** Please be aware of the fact that you yourself are responsible for your actions. You are not simply a passive consumer, you actively shape and influence this space with your behaviour. **Everyone should have room here and no one should be discriminated against.**

### **How can you contribute positively to this space?**

- **Respect:** Behaviour lacking respect or behaviour of an abusive nature have no room here or anywhere else on this world (or any parallel universes). This doesn't forbid flirting, as long as you treat each other with respect and don't cross anyone's boundaries: **Flirt, don't hurt!**
- **Mindfulness:** When you dance, take into consideration that most people don't appreciate being cornered or hit by uncontrolled dance-moves. Everyone should be able to feel safe while dancing.
- **Drug use:** If you cannot respect your own boundaries or those of others while under the influence of substances, don't consume them.
- **Attentiveness:** If you see someone that needs help: Ask the person in question, don't simply assume that "someone else" is going to intervene and if needed, ask the Awareness-Group for help.
- **Consent:** Consent means, that actions and conversations only take place in mutual understanding. Pay attention if a person is signaling you (perhaps non-verbally), whether they want to talk, dance or otherwise interact with you. **Only yes means yes!**