

Lummi Nation Code of Laws
Title 4 – Tribal Court Rules of Procedure
Chapter 4.01 General Courtroom Conduct

4.01.010 Conduct

All court proceedings shall be conducted in a dignified and respectful manner. All persons addressing the Court shall rise and speak in a clear and courteous manner.

4.01.020 Court Decorum

The following rules shall govern court decorum requiring no interference or disturbance with the proceedings before the Court:

- (a) A law enforcement officer or other tribal officer may be appointed court bailiff by the judge and the bailiff will open each session of court unless opened by the court clerk or judge, and be present to keep order in the courtroom at the judge's discretion.
- (b) The public will be permitted in the courtroom during open trial sessions except that spectators may be prohibited from entering the courtroom during the taking of testimony without specific permission of the judge. The judge may sequester witnesses from trial proceedings upon the motion of a party for good cause shown.
- (c) All men in the courtroom shall remove their hats. All persons shall be dressed in a clean, neat manner and no person shall smoke or chew gum in the courtroom.
- (d) Loud or unusual noises, the use of profane language or disturbances of any kind will not be allowed in the courtroom.
- (e) No one shall be allowed in the courtroom who appears to be under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs.
- (f) Respect and courtesy shall be shown to the judge, parties and court officers at all times.