

RULES FOR VISITORS – THE CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY AND ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Dear Visitors,

You are entering a working church and a significant historical monument designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which is owned and operated by the Roman Catholic Parish Kutná Hora – Sedlec. During your visit in the Cathedral, please follow these rules:

1. Entry into the Cathedral of the Assumption of Our Lady and St. John the Baptist is permitted **only with a valid ticket**, which may be purchased at the ticket office in the Information Centre (at Zámecká 279 street). Without a valid ticket, **it is prohibited to give guided tours** to organized groups in the Cathedral.
2. **Respectable clothing** is required in the Cathedral (as is usual in churches in other countries as well). Respectable clothing means appropriate length of the overall clothing, the sleeves and trouser legs. Clothing that is unsuitable according to usual social norms and good manners is prohibited – this means any inappropriate, eccentric clothing or costumes that do not match the social significance and sacred character of this historical monument. (If needed, a covering scarf may be borrowed for the duration of your visit at the main ticket office.)
3. Since January 1, 2020, photography has been prohibited in the whole Cathedral. For professional purposes, permits to take photographs may be applied for, at least three days in advance, at: krejci@sedlec.info. It is prohibited to publicly publish photographs and videos taken anywhere in the Cathedral on internet portals. For a more detailed version of these rules, please go to: www.sedlec.info, the section for the media.
4. To preserve the sanctity and protect the historical value of the Cathedral, it is **also prohibited to:**
 - **Smoke, eat, or drink** anywhere in the Cathedral.
 - **Litter** in the Cathedral. To dispose of any waste, please use the waste container located in front of the Cathedral.
 - Enter into the Cathedral **with animals**, including animals on a leash or in a bag.
 - Enter into the Cathedral when **under the influence of alcohol or any other addictive substances**, and to bother or attack other visitors by inappropriate social behaviour. In this case, you may be asked to leave the Cathedral, and, if need be, your compliance will be secured in cooperation with the Police of the Czech Republic.
 - Use **mobile phones** in the Cathedral.
 - Enter into **marked-off areas** (anywhere in the entire Cathedral interior) that are not accessible to the public (these areas are usually properly marked – by a sign or a horizontal barrier, such as a wooden railing or clearly visible divider ropes or chains).
 - **Touch** or in any other way come into contact with, handle, or remove any of the interior features.

Visitors who will not respect these rules may be prohibited from entering or may be requested to leave the Cathedral of the Assumption of Our Lady and St. John the Baptist, without the right to be reimbursed for their purchased ticket.

If you have any comments or questions, or if you would like to give us any other feedback, please do not talk to the attendants in the Cathedral but email us at: info@sedlec.info or call +420 326 551 049.

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