

Flirting is essentially Online Dating



The dictionary defines "flirting" as common romantic or sexual wordplay – "overtures" to show a superficial liking or casual interest.

Flirting is an essential aspect of human interaction. In fact, it is an absolute necessity universally speaking. Flirting can be found not only in all cultures and societies around the world but also in nearly every species of animals. From all mammals to most insects flirting is a part of life, a biological instinct if you will, and a precursor to procreate. As with any social structure if we did not initiate contact and express interest in members of the opposite sex, we would not progress to stage of reproduction and the human species, all species would become extinct.

Flirting is governed by a complex set of unwritten laws that are loosely defined as etiquette. These rules dictate where, when, with whom and in what manner we flirt. We generally obey these unofficial laws instinctively, even subconsciously but when asked to consider – we are often at a loss for words.

Often we become aware of the rules only when someone commits a breach of this etiquette – by flirting with the wrong person, perhaps, or at an inappropriate time, place, or maybe a comment not socially understood.

In contrast, many of us are often concerned about causing a misunderstanding or sending the wrong message that we lose our natural talent for playful, harmless flirtation.

Flirting is so important Kate Fox of the Social Issues Research Centre reviewed and analyzed all the scientific research material on interaction between the sexes, and produced a superb guide to the art and etiquette of flirting.

 [SIRC Guide to Flirting](#)

While the document extensively covers flirting "in person" it eludes flirting etiquette online and in particular for dating venues such as online personals. It is here that Best Habit explores for its Dating Advice.

Flirting is most socially acceptable at parties, celebrations and social gatherings. Online such social gathering place is online personals.

Unlike flirtation conducted in person where initial gestures tend to be "one to one" - in the online world where the preverbal bar, pub, night-club, or other such meeting places require a socially accessible policy shift.

The initial "flirt" in the online world happens to be your personal profile. Your personal profile as with any style of flirting is governed by the same complex set of unwritten laws (loosely defined as etiquette) as in person. In general, if we obey these unofficial laws as we would in the real world our online dating experience will be far more fruitful and enjoyable.