

# Amtgard, Kingdom of Westmarch, Inc. Corpora of Bylaws

## Amendment Changelog

The Kingdom Corpora was revised from the Principality Corpora by the Corpora Committee created by Sir Euric Bloodstone, Prince of Westmarch. The revision and additions for Kingdom were completed March 3, 2012 (v1). The Kingdom Corpora became live when the Amtgard Circle of Monarchs voted to elevate the Principality of Westmarch to Kingdom at the Gathering of the Clans on Saturday, July 27, 2013. The following is a changelog of amendments to that document since then:

- [April 6, 2015](#): Five items voted on at one go to add structure for events, change credits to comply with the version 8 Rules of Play, make Board of Directors elections more strict, and add structure for removing Core status to a land which is demoted down to Shire. (v1.1)

On December 16 of 2015, King Kalevra Fallstar I called together a new Corpora Review Committee to find places where the Kingdom Corpora could be further fine tuned and to solve some of the issues that operating under the corpora for over two years had uncovered. The following amendments are those recommended by the committee:

- [April 18, 2016](#): Three items voted on that were added to the back of the Kingdom Monarchy election. These changes were mainly clarifications and rewording of existing text to read better and to better reflect the realities of the Kingdom, ie: having parks outside of California. (v1.2)
- [August 16, 2016](#): Ten items brought before the Althing from the Corpora Committee. While most were minor changes to bring the corpora inline with reality and the Rules of Play, major changes included quarter credits for scheduled A&S meetings, adding the responsibility to the Regent of keeping track of the Kingdom's/park's property, and mandating that the Prime Ministers obtains new waivers from players every three years at least. (v1.3)
- [October 26, 2016](#): Eleven items with many small rephrasings and clarifications. A couple of notable additions: allowing the monarchs of local groups to appoint class guildmasters and other un-codified positions as they see fit and allowing a GMR to recycle a previous GMR's tests with permission and verification that the tests are still accurate to any rulebook changes. (v1.4)
- [November 9, 2016](#): 23 Corpora amendments were voted on, but only 22 obtained the requisite votes. All having to do with Article VI: Crown Qualifications. Most were clarifications and rephrasings to make more sense. Major changes included mandating that pro-tem officers pass reeves and corpora tests, and some small changes to how judging is done, particularly in regards to the Rose category. (v1.5)
- [December 12, 2016](#): 12 Corpora amendments, including the one amendment that failed to pass from the November Althing were voted upon. With the exception of that resubmitted amendment, all the remaining amendments pertained to Article V: GOVERNMENT. Highlights include clarifications to reflect how the Kingdom has been ran in regards to online presences, clarification to the promotion, demotion, and other changes to a land's status within the Kingdom, allowance for weekday lands to be involved in the voting process, and other small clarifications to the text.

# April 6, 2015

*Voting totals were given as: aye, nay or abstain. Tallies given below will be in that order.*

**Item 1:**

*Amend the Westmarch Kingdom Corpora to insert Article VII and re-numerate subsequent Articles:*

## ARTICLE VII: EVENTS

### Section 1. DEFINITIONS

1. Westmarch Event
  - a. An event that is wholly owned and operated by the Kingdom of Westmarch.
2. Event in Westmarch
  - a. An event that takes place within the boundaries of the Kingdom of Westmarch, but is owned and operated by an individual, group, land, or other entity.

### Section 2. WESTMARCH EVENTS

1. The Monarch and Regent will solicit, review, and approve bids for Kingdom Events.
  - a. The Monarch and Regent will set the due date for all bids and any special parameters or requirements.
2. The Westmarch Board of Directors is responsible for completing any paperwork, signing contracts, and anything in regards to contractual obligations.
3. The Westmarch Prime Minister will disburse funds upon receipt of invoices or receipts.
  - a. The Westmarch Court and Court Feast are at the discretion of the Westmarch Regent, who has first right of refusal.
4. The Westmarch Champion is responsible for daily weapon and equipment checks.
5. If the Event is to include normal Kingdom functions as per this corpora (coronation, midreign, etc.), then accommodations must be made to ensure that players may participate in those activities (and only those activities) without being charged fees.
  - a. Parking fees, if any, are exempt from the above rule.
  - b. The Autocrat may assess a separate fee for players only participating in Kingdom activities (e.g., Warmaster/Weaponmaster tournaments, A&S Quals, Dragonmaster) for Feast, if any.
6. Bids
  - a. A bid must include, at a minimum, the following items:
    - i. List of Crats/staff and their qualifications/experience
    - ii. Proposed event dates and location
    - iii. Proposed site details
    - iv. Schedule of events
    - v. Proposed budget, to include:
      - All expenses (site, meals, gate, games, etc.)
      - Gate fee structure
      - Minimum attendance (paid attendees required to "break even")
      - Expected attendance
      - Contingency plans (if any)
    - vi. Monarch and Regent may request additional information as necessary
  - b. If autocrat uses their own funds to place a deposit on the proposed site, they may be reimbursed by the Westmarch Prime Minister upon successful selection of the bid and with invoice from site proprietor.
  - c. If there are no acceptable bids, Monarch and Regent may assume the mantle of Autocrat, subject to Althing approval of Monarch and Regent submitted bid.

- i. If there are no acceptable bids and Monarch and Regent decline to Autocrat the event, the event is considered cancelled.

### **Section 3. EVENTS IN WESTMARCH**

1. Events in Westmarch are not subject to approval from the Monarch and Regent of Westmarch. As such, Events in Westmarch do not receive funds from Westmarch unless requested and approved via Althing.
  - a. When an event is requesting funds from Westmarch, the Althing must specify whether the funds are an investment (requiring repayment from the event) or a donation (not subject to repayment). Priority of repayment is at the discretion of the autocrat of the event, but must be declared at the Althing (e.g., 1st priority over all other costs, after site and feast but prior to other costs, last priority after all other costs). Autocrats must present a simplified bid for the use of Westmarch funds to be considered with the Althing ballot
2. Events in Westmarch should be scheduled as to not conflict with Westmarch Events.

### **Section 4. EVENT FUNDING**

1. Westmarch Event funds are to be held in an account maintained by Westmarch. Each Westmarch Event should have its own account and not commingled with other Westmarch funds.
  - a. The Westmarch Event account can be a sub-account of the Westmarch general account so long as the funds are not commingled.
  - b. Westmarch Event funds that are in separate or sub-banking accounts are not accessible as part of the 10% expenditure funds available to the Westmarch Monarch and Prime Minister.
2. Westmarch Event autocrats are responsible for keeping within a reasonable budget so as not to lose money.
  - a. If planned expenditures exceed the previous year's income for that event, an Althing vote must be held to obtain the funds from the Westmarch general account.
3. All funds withdrawn from the Westmarch Event account must be replenished before other expenses are reimbursed.
4. At the discretion of the bid team, up to \$200 of the net profits above the cost of the Westmarch Event may be retained in the event account to improve future events.
  - a. Larger profit retention must be approved by Althing.
5. Net profits (less any retention for future events) will be deposited into the Westmarch general account.

*Amendment passed by a vote of 36-0-5.*

## ***Item 2:***

*If the above Corpora amendment for Events is passed, shall the following section be included in the above changes:*

### **Section 5. FEAST OF MARS**

1. Feast of Mars is to be held during the month of either September or October.
2. Announcement of Autocrat team must happen at least 6 months prior to the event.
3. A complete accounting of income and expenses (with all receipts) from the event must be provided to the Westmarch Prime Minister within 45 days of the end of the event.
4. Maintenance of Feast of Mars assets (weapons, shields, tabards, etc.) must be performed by the Autocrat prior to returning the equipment to Westmarch. Autocrat has 45 days from the end of the event to provide the repaired/maintained equipment.
  - a. The Autocrat must perform a safety inspection on all Feast of Mars assets no later than 1 week prior to the event.
5. A storage unit must be provided to store the Feast of Mars assets while they are not in use. The storage unit must be prepaid for one year in advance from event proceeds.
  - a. If there are insufficient proceeds, an Althing must be held to request funds from the Westmarch general account to cover the shortfall.
  - b. Space may be shared with other Westmarch assets as long as the Feast of Mars assets pay a proportional share of the rented space (e.g., if the Feast of Mars assets take up 60% of the unit, Feast of Mars pays 60% of the contracted price of the unit).

*Amendment passed by a vote of 36-1-4.*

## ***Item 3:***

*Remove Article II, Section 3, Subsections 2 and 3 and renumerate remaining items.*

## **ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP**

### **Section 3: CREDITS**

- ~~2. If scheduled Amtgard events preclude members from playing a class, then they may still sign in as that class.~~
- ~~3. If serving as a reeve precludes members from playing a class, they may still sign in as that class.~~

*Amendment passed by a vote of 30-6-5.*

**Item 4:**

*Amend/Add to Article IX [now Article X after Item 1 passed], Section 1, Subsection 3:*

## **ARTICLE IX: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **Section 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

3. An election shall be held by the Prime Minister every January to elect members of the Board of Directors.
  - d. All Candidates must qualify with a simple majority confidence/no confidence vote.
  - e. The winners of the election will be the five (5) people who pass a simple confidence vote with the highest number of confidence votes, with the 6th person reserved as the alternate member.

*Amendment passed by a vote of 30-6-2.*

**Item 5:**

*Add to the Corpora, Article VIII [now Article IX after Item 1 passed], Section 1, Subsection 1.c*

## **ARTICLE VIII: SPONSORED CHAPTERS**

### **Section 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Kingdom may sponsor other Amtgard chapters, making them a part of Westmarch, with a majority vote Kingdom Althing.
  - c. Any chapter less than or equal to 250 miles from Gilroy, CA which is not a Core Chapter may petition the Kingdom to become one.
    - iii. If a Core chapter is demoted to Shire status either by Althing or by self-demotion, that chapter's Core Status may be revoked by 2/3rd majority of an Althing. If the land was demoted via Althing, the removal of Core Status must be voted upon as a separate item.

*Amendment passed by a vote of 34-3-0.*

# April 18, 2016

*Voting totals were given as: aye, nay, abstain, or postpone. Tallies given below will be in that order.*

## ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

### Section 2. PURPOSE

#### *Item 1:*

*Amend Article I, Section 2, Item 3 (bolded words added):*

3. Westmarch typically meets at various locations **primarily** in California (“the park”, “the field”) where battlegames, ditches, tournaments, and other events are held using; the most current; Amtgard Rules of Play (**also referred to as RoP**). Events hosted by the Kingdom are considered to be held by the Kingdom for the purposes of officer jurisdiction and attendance.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 44-0-8-1.*

#### *Item 2:*

*Amend Article I, Section 2, Item 4 (bolded words added):*

4. Westmarch sponsors several smaller chapters that also play Amtgard, but are not autonomous kingdoms. Although voting membership in the Kingdom **as is** defined **separately** by these bylaws, all chapters within the Kingdom are considered to be part of the Kingdom and under the jurisdiction of the Kingdom officers and these bylaws.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 45-0-7-1.*

#### *Item 3:*

*Amend Article I, Section 2 to add Item 5:*

5. This document describes how the Kingdom functions, and unless specified separately, all chapters within the Kingdom shall function as described for the Kingdom.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 44-1-6-2.*

# August 16, 2016

*Voting totals were given as: aye, nay, abstain, or postpone. Tallies given below will be in that order.*

## ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

### *Item 1:*

*Strike Section 1, Item 2 and replace with:*

#### **Section 1. DEFINITION**

2. Persons under the age of fourteen (14) may participate in combat or be present on the battlefield with special permission from the local monarch after they have evaluated the person as per the RoP. Regardless of determination of field participation, a person under the age of fourteen (14) may still be a member of Westmarch as described above as long as their parent or legal guardian is present for the duration of their attendance.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 35-0-2-1.*

### *Item 2:*

*Strike Section 3, Item 1 and renumber remaining items accordingly.*

#### **Section 3. CREDITS**

- ~~1. All members who attend and play a class (including reeves and non-combatant roles such as color) at an officially scheduled meeting or function shall gain one (1) credit in that class.~~

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-0-3-1.*

### *Item 3:*

*Insert the following into Section 3 as Item 4 and renumber the following items accordingly:*

#### **Section 3. CREDITS**

4. All members who attend and participate at an officially scheduled Arts & Science meeting shall gain one-quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) Color credit.
  - a. A player may receive no more than one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Color credit per week of Arts & Science meetings.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 31-2-4-1.*

### *Item 4:*

*At the end of Section 4, number the last line as Item 6 and number the next sentence as subitem a. The corpora should then read as:*

6. A person whose membership is terminated may appeal to the Kingdom Althing to have their membership restored.
  - a. Restoration of membership requires a  $\frac{2}{3}$  approval of an Althing vote.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-0-3-1.*

## ARTICLE III: OFFICES OF THE KINGDOM

### *Item 5:*

*Section 1, Item 3: Append "concurrently" to the end of the item. The item shall now read:*

#### **Section 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

3. No person may hold more than one (1) of the offices of Monarchy at any level of Westmarch **concurrently**.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 32-3-3-1.*

### *Item 6:*

*Section 1, Item 4: Rewrite item to read:*

#### **Section 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

4. All Kingdom officers must maintain voting membership in one of the core chapters comprising Westmarch.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-1-1-1.*

### *Item 7:*

*Section 1, Item 5: Rewrite item to read:*

#### **Section 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

5. No Monarchy officer may hold an office for more than two consecutive terms.
  - a. A 2/3 majority of an Althing vote prior to declarations may allow an officer to run for another term.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 32-2-3-1.*

### *Item 8:*

*Section 3, Item 6: Insert as item 6 and renumber accordingly:*

#### **Section 3. REGENT**

6. The Regent shall be in charge of maintaining a list of all kingdom property and effects.
  - a. Any member wishing to take possession of a piece of property owned by the Kingdom or local park for more than the duration of a normal park meeting or a one (1) day event must sign-out the property from the Regent. An expected date of return of the property must be provided.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 31-2-4-1.*



**Item 9:**

*Section 4, Item 6: Insert as subitem c:*

**Section 4. PRIME MINISTER**

6. The local Prime Minister is responsible for maintaining accurate and current records of all members of their land, physically and on the Amtgard ORK.
  - c. Waivers must be renewed every three years counting from the date when the waiver was signed. Discarded expired waivers must be destroyed in a secure manner, ie: shredded, safely burned, etc..

*Amendment passed with a vote of 28-7-2-1.*

**Item 10:**

*Remove extra punctuation in Section 4, particularly in the word "O.R.K." as it's commonly written as "ORK" and at the end of Item 7, subitem b.*

**Section 4. PRIME MINISTER**

7. The Kingdom Prime Minister is responsible for maintaining the Kingdom treasury. Local Prime Ministers will do the same for their chapters.
  - b. An accurate and current financial report must be provided by the Prime Minister for publication monthly.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 30-5-2-1.*

# October 26, 2016

*Voting totals were given as: aye or nay. Tallies given below will be in that order.*

## ARTICLE IV: OTHER POSITIONS

### *Item 1:*

*Section 1: Add as Item 5:*

#### **Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

5. Other positions for local lands (class guildmasters, etc.) may be created as desired by the local Monarch. The duration of these positions will not extend past that Monarch's reign, unless reinstated by the next Monarch.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 38-2.*

### *Item 2:*

*Section 2: Item 2: Strike-out*

#### **Section 2. GUILDMASTER OF REEVES**

- ~~2. Every voting member, having passed the most recent Reeve's test, shall elect the Guildmaster of Reeves during the Month of the Crown.~~

*and replace with:*

2. Only voting members who have passed the most recent Reeves test may vote for the Guildmaster of Reeves.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 38-1.*

### *Item 3:*

*Section 2, Item 10: Add as subitem b and renumber existing subitems accordingly:*

#### **Section 2. GUILDMASTER OF REEVES**

10. The Guildmaster of Reeves:
  - b. Though previous GMR's tests may be used with permission from that GMR, the current GMR must ensure that the tests are current to the most recent RoP published.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 36-4.*

### *Item 4:*

*Section 2, Item 10, subitem d (previously c): Change "Rules of Play" to "RoP" for consistency.*

#### **Section 2. GUILDMASTER OF REEVES**

10. The Guildmaster of Reeves:
  - d. The reeve test must be written so that someone familiar with the Amtgard ~~Rules of Play~~ RoP can pass the test with a score of 75% or greater.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 35-1.*

**Item 5:**

*Section 2, Item 10, subitem f (previously e): Append "for that specific Crown Qualifications" at the end.*

**Section 2. GUILDMASTER OF REEVES**

10. The Guildmaster of Reeves:

- f. If a person fails two Reeve, or two Corpora tests, they will be considered as failing the tests for the purposes of running for office for that specific Crown Qualifications.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 38-3.*

**Item 6:**

*Section 2, Item 11: Rephrase*

**Section 2. GUILDMASTER OF REEVES**

11. The Guildmaster of Reeves may not hold any of the four offices within the Kingdom or their local land.

*to read:*

11. The Guildmaster of Reeves may not hold any of the four Monarchy offices within the Kingdom or their local land concurrently.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-3.*

**Item 7:**

*Section 4, Item 3, subitem d: Replace "nirvana" with "respawn" to match the current phrasing in the RoP.*

**Section 4. REEVES GUILD**

3. While acting as a reeve, guild members may:

- d. Take time off a person's respawn count if they role-played their death well.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 30-9.*

**Item 8:**

*Section 5, Item 1: Replace with:*

**Section 5. CAPTAIN OF THE ROYAL GUARD**

1. The Captain of the Royal Guard ("Captain of the Guard") is in charge of security when no Security Crat is designated by the Kingdom event Autocrat, otherwise they shall assist the designated Security Crat. At the local level, the Captain of the Guard shall do the same at all local chapter events.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 39-1.*

**Item 9:**

*Section 2, Add as item 3 and renumber existing items accordingly:*

**Section 2. GUILDMASTER OF REEVES**

3. The Guildmaster of Reeves shall be elected during the Time of the Crown.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-1.*

**Item 10:**

*Section 4, Item 1: Rephrase to say "Time of the Crown" instead "Month of the Crown."*

**Section 4. REEVES GUILD**

1. Any member who has passed the reeves test during or since the most recent ~~Month~~ Time of the Crown with a score of 75% or higher is a member of the Reeves Guild. The previous Guildmaster of Reeves is exempt from the test requirement.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-3.*

**Item 11:**

*Section 7-9: Renumber to be Sections 6-8, as there is currently no Section 6.*

*Amendment passed with a vote of 38-1.*

# November 9, 2016

*Voting totals were given as: aye, nay, abstain or postpone. Tallies given below will be in that order.*

## ARTICLE VI: CROWN QUALIFICATIONS

### *Item 1:*

**Section 1, Item 1:** *Minor change to read:*

#### **Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. All candidates for the offices of Monarch, Regent, Champion, and Heir Apparent must earn a qualifying score ("qual") in a certain number of categories in a cultural and combat contests known as Crown Qualifications ("Crown Quals", "quals").

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-4-4-2.*

### *Item 2:*

**Section 1, Item 2, subitem a, list item i:** *Rewrite to read:*

#### **Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

2. Crown Qualifications will be held once every six (6) months, at least one (1) week prior to crown elections.
  - a. One chapter shall host the Crown Qualifications, on a rotating schedule.
    - i. Core chapters shall host Kingdom Crown Qualifications on a rotating schedule from North to South.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 36-4-4-2.*

### *Item 3:*

**Section 1, Item 2, subitem b:** *Rewrite to read:*

#### **Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

2. Crown Qualifications will be held once every six (6) months, at least one (1) week prior to crown elections.
  - b. All chapters may host their own Crown Qualifications on the same weekend, or within a week of Kingdom Quals.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 35-4-6-1.*

### *Item 4:*

**Section 1, Item 2:** *Add as subitem d:*

#### **Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

2. Crown Qualifications will be held once every six (6) months, at least one (1) week prior to crown elections.
  - d. All candidates for Kingdom offices that require participation in Crown Qualifications must qualify at the Kingdom Quals.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 38-3-4-1.*

**Item 5:**

**Section 1, Item 3:** Rewrite to read:

**Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

3. The hosting chapter of Crown Qualifications shall appoint an autocrat by the Althing at least two (2) months before the election of the Crown. If no one wishes to autocrat Crown Qualifications, the autocrat shall be the highest ranking uninvolved local officer according to the Order of Precedence.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 39-1-4-2.*

**Item 6:**

**Section 2, Item 2:** Add as subitem a:

**Section 2. TIME OF THE CROWN**

2. Any person wishing to run for Monarch, Regent, Champion, Guildmaster of Reeves, or Heir Apparent must declare their intentions publicly and in writing to the Prime Minister one (1) week prior to Crown Qualifications.
  - a. If a local chapter holds their own Crown Qualifications, their deadlines are based on the date of the local Crown Qualifications.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 33-3-8-2.*

**Item 7:**

**Section 3, Item 2, subitems b, c and d:** Rewrite to read:

**Section 3. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

2. Candidates for Monarch, Regent, Champion and Heir Apparent must meet the following requirements:
  - b. Pass the most recent reeves test with a 75% score or better.
  - c. Pass the most recent open book Corpora test with a score of 75% or better.
  - d. Meet the required number of cultural qualifications in the following table:

*Amendment passed with a vote of 41-1-2-2.*

**Item 8:**

**Section 3, Item 3:** Rewrite to read:

**Section 3. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

3. ~~Should no candidates qualify to run for an office, that office may be filled on a pro tem basis by an Althing vote in order of precedence. All pro tem officers must be voting eligible and have passed the most recent Reeves and Corpora tests with a score of 75% or better.~~

*Amendment did not pass with a vote of 20-5-5-16 (not enough ayes). Though not integrated into the Corpora, included here for posterity and consistency.*

**Item 9:**

**Section 3:** Renumber the second set of items below the tables to be Items 3-5 instead of a second set of Items 1-3.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 38-1-4-3.*

### **Item 10:**

**Section 4, Item 2, Category: Construction:** Append "per RoP definitions" to the "Weapon," "Shield," and "Armor" sub-categories.

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

2. Standard sub-categories are listed for each category in the following table. Additional sub-categories may be added if there is interest for at least three (3) entries and the sub-category is published along with the specific requirements for Crown Qualifications.

**Category:** Construction

Weapon	Weapons legal for Amtgard use per RoP definitions
Shield	Shields legal for Amtgard use per RoP definitions
Armor	Any form of armor for Amtgard use per RoP definitions

*Amendment passed with a vote of 40-2-3-1.*

### **Item 11:**

**Section 4, Item 2, Category: Rose:** Rewrite description to read:

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

3. Standard sub-categories are listed for each category in the following table. Additional sub-categories may be added if there is interest for at least three (3) entries and the sub-category is published along with the specific requirements for Crown Qualifications.

**Category:** Rose

Rose	Items donated that impact an Amtgard group or the Kingdom
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*Amendment passed with a vote of 37-3-4-2.*

### **Item 12:**

**Section 4, Item 4, sub item c:** Replace "Should" with "Must."

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

4. All cooking entries:
  - c. Must include a copy of the recipe used, including a detailed list of ingredients for allergy considerations.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 33-8-3-2.*

### **Item 13:**

**Section 4, Item 6:** Add as sub item c:

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

6. All entries into Cultural Events must be the individual work of the entrant or be listed as a joint entry.
  - c. Entries in the Rose category are exempt from this rule; however, the candidate must be able to describe their involvement or process in the selection, requisition, or commission of any items purchased then donated to a group.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-5-5-2.*

### **Item 14:**

**Section 4, Item 11:** Add as sub item a & b:

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

11. Should beverages be alcoholic, they shall be judged at a different time and location than the other cultural events unless the location used permits alcohol. All judges for alcoholic beverages must be at least 21 years of age.
  - a. The autocrat of the Crown Qualification Event must be given notice of any alcoholic beverage submissions at least [one (1) week/two (2) weeks] in advance of the Crown Qualification Event.
  - b. In order to prevent conflicts with park or site rules, no judge may pour their own sample of an alcoholic beverage if served "on-site" with the rest of the Crown Qualification Event.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 36-5-3-2.*

### **Item 15:**

**Section 4:** Add as Item 13 and sub item a:

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

13. Any entries in the literature category that are over a page in length must be submitted to the Autocrat at least two (2) weeks in advance for distribution to the judges.
  - a. Exceptions can be made for books and other printed material where the physical presentation and design are to be considered for part of the score.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 35-6-4-1.*

### **Item 16:**

**Section 4:** Add as Item 14 and sub item a:

#### **Section 4. CULTURAL EVENTS**

14. Entries in the rose category shall be judged by the entry's impact to the intended Amtgard group to receive and benefit from the entry.
  - a. The level of the intended group for the donation and the items donated themselves shall be considered. For example: several loaner-quality weapons and shields will benefit a local land more than the Kingdom.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 34-4-6-2.*

### **Item 17:**

**Section 5, Item 1:** Add as sub item a:

#### **Section 5. JUDGING**

1. Each entry in the Cultural Events of Crown Qualifications will be judged by a panel of at least five (5) judges appointed by the autocrat of Crown Qualifications.
  - a. For Quals at the Barony and Shire level, it is acceptable for the panel to be three (3) judges; however, the five (5) judge panel is highly encouraged.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 35-5-4-2.*



**Item 18:**

**Section 5, Item 2:** Add as sub item b:

**Section 5. JUDGING**

2. All entries will be scored in increments of .1 on a scale of 1.0 to 5.0 by each judge, with 3.0 being a qualifying score and 5.0 being a perfect score.
  - b. If a sub-category requires that an item be legal to the standards of the RoP, and an entry fails those standards, that item shall not receive a qualifying (3.0 or higher) score.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 36-4-4-2.*

**Item 19:**

**Section 5, Item 7:** Renumber to be sub item c under Item 6.

**Section 5. JUDGING**

6. An individual's Arts and Sciences score shall be determined using the following:
  - c. The individual with the highest Arts and Sciences Score shall be the Cultural Champion.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 37-2-5-2.*

**Item 20:**

**Section 6, Item 1, sub item d:** Strike ", or any weapon over five feet in length."

**Section 6. FIGHTING EVENTS**

1. The Fighting Events ("Warmaster") are held as part of the Crown Qualifications process and shall consist of five (5) events, as follows:
  - a. Great weapon, ~~or any weapon over five feet in length~~

*Amendment passed with a vote of 37-1-5-3.*

**Item 21:**

**Section 6, Item 4:** Add as sub item a:

**Section 6. FIGHTING EVENTS**

4. The overall winner of the Fighting Events shall be the Warmaster. The Warmaster is determined by giving five (5) points for first place in an event, three (3) points for second, one (1) point for third, and half a point (.5) for each individual win in the case of a tie, with the Warmaster determined as the combatant with the most points.
  - a. In the event of a further tie, even after considering individual wins, a best two out of three match shall be held between those tied in their preferred style.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 37-4-3-2.*

**Item 22:**

**Section 7, Item 1, sub item a, list item ii:** Replace "event" with "sub-category."

**Section 7. MIDREIGN EVENT**

1. The cultural competition ("Dragonmaster"), is held in the same manner as per the Cultural Events of Crown Qualifications, except where noted.
  - a. An individual's Arts and Sciences score shall be determined by:
    - ii. The top five (5) sub-category scores will be added together to determine the Arts and Sciences Score.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 37-1-6-2.*

**Item 23:**

**Section 7:** Add as Item 1 and renumber subsequent Items accordingly:

**Section 7. MIDREIGN EVENT**

1. The Midreign Event shall be held at a location and time per the Regent's discretion.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 36-2-4-4.*

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*Vote totals were given as: ayes, nays, and abstains. Tallies noted below shall be in that order.*

## ARTICLE VI: CROWN QUALIFICATIONS

### *Item 1:*

**Section 3, Item 5:** *Rewrite to read:*

### **Section 3. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

5. Should no candidates qualify to run for an office, that office may be filled on a pro-tem basis by an Althing vote in order of precedence. All pro-tem officers must be voting eligible and have passed the most recent Reeves and Corpora tests with a score of 75% or better.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 35-8-7.*

## ARTICLE V: GOVERNMENT

### *Item 2:*

**Section 1, Item 1, subitem c:** *Rewrite to read:*

### **Section 1. ELECTIONS**

1. Elections shall be conducted by the Prime Minister, except:
  - c. The Board of Directors shall conduct its own elections of Officers of the Board from their number as per Article X, Section 2 of this corpora.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 44-1-5.*

### *Item 3:*

**Section 1, Item 4, subitem c:** *Replace "emailed" with "submitted electronically" and add as subitem d, renumbering subsequent subitems accordingly:*

### **Section 1. ELECTIONS**

4. Proxy votes are allowed provided that:
  - c. Proxy votes may be submitted electronically to the Prime Minister no later than twenty-four hours before the closing of the polls, or a predefined time set at least one (1) week earlier by the person running the election.
  - d. Proxy votes that are submitted electronically must be sent in such a fashion that the identity of the voter must be verifiable by the Prime Minister. (ie: established forum account, established Facebook account with the voting member's name, email sent from the voting member's address listed on their waiver, etc.)

*Amendment passed with a vote of 45-1-4.*

*Item 4:*

**Section 1. ELECTIONS**

**Section 1, Item 5, subitem a:** *Append, "determined by the officer running the election."*

5. For Kingdom-wide votes, the person running the election of each sponsored chapter is responsible for collecting the votes of their group and reporting the results to the appropriate Kingdom official in charge of the election.
  - a. Each land will conduct the voting in the same week determined by the officer running the election.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 41-3-6.*

*Item 5:*

**Section 1. ELECTIONS**

**Section 1, Item 5, subitem b, point iii:** *Rewrite to read:*

5. For Kingdom-wide votes, the person running the election of each sponsored chapter is responsible for collecting the votes of their group and reporting the results to the appropriate Kingdom official in charge of the election.
  - b. The Kingdom official in charge of the election will do the following:
    - iii. Contact all other chapter officers by a previously agreed-upon communication medium.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 45-1-4.*

*Item 6:*

**Section 1. ELECTIONS**

**Section 1, Item 5, subitem b:** *Add as point iii and renumber subsequent points accordingly:*

5. For Kingdom-wide votes, the person running the election of each sponsored chapter is responsible for collecting the votes of their group and reporting the results to the appropriate Kingdom official in charge of the election.
  - b. The Kingdom official in charge of the election will do the following:
    - iii. Elections must allow for a full week, Monday to Monday, for lands to meet and vote.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 41-5-4.*

*Item 7:*

**Section 1. ELECTIONS**

**Section 1, Item 3, subitem b, point ii:** *Change list item 4 of this point to be Item 4 of Section 1, renumber subsequent items accordingly, then rewrite remaining list of point ii to read:*

3. In cases where a candidate is running unopposed the candidate must pass a vote of confidence in order to win the election.
  - b. If no one is qualified to run for office, an Althing shall be held to appoint pro-tem officers.
    - ii. The order of precedence for pro-tem positions shall be as follows:
      1. Those that entered Crown Qualifications and have passed a Reeve and open book Corpora test,
      2. Those that have passed a Reeve and open book Corpora test but have not entered Crown Qualifications,
      3. Anyone who wishes to run for the position provided they subsequently take and pass a Reeve and open book Corpora test.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 41-4-5.*

**Item 8:**

**Section 2, Items 1 and 2:** *Strikeout "of the Kingdom" from both items.*

**Section 2. IMPEACHMENT**

1. Officers may be removed from office ("impeached") for criminal actions or dereliction of duty.
2. An officer may be impeached by presenting a petition signed by at least 20% of the voting members of the chapter to the Althing and a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of an Althing.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 42-5-3.*

**Item 9:**

**Section 3, Item 2:** *Add as subitems a and b:*

**Section 3. THE ALTHING**

2. All votes of the Althing require a quorum of at least 51% of all voting members.
  - a. During the Kingdom Althing all Core Lands must submit a current total of voting members to the Kingdom official in charge of collecting votes for that Althing.
  - b. The total voting members of the Kingdom Althing must be included when announcing the results of the Althing vote.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 43-2-5.*

**Item 10:**

**Section 3, Item 3:** *Strikeout subitems c and d, replace with the following, and renumber remaining subitems accordingly:*

**Section 3. THE ALTHING**

3. Types of issues discussed and voted on by voting members include:
  - c. Vote on approving the adoption of sponsored chapters with a simple majority,
  - d. Vote for promotion to a higher land status with a simple majority,
  - e. Vote for demotion to a lower land status with a simple majority,
  - f. Vote for any other change to the status of a sponsored land with a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority,

*Amendment passed with a vote of 42-3-5.*

**Item 11:**

**Section 3, Item 5:** *Add as subitem c:*

**Section 3. THE ALTHING**

5. An Althing shall be scheduled and held ("called") at least once a month on the first weekend of the month, but may be canceled by the Monarch.
  - c. The Althing must allow for a full week, Monday to Monday, for lands to meet and hold Althings.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 42-4-4.*

**Item 12:**

**Section 4:** *Add as Item 5 and renumber subsequent items accordingly:*

**Section 4. DUES AND POLICIES OF THE TREASURY**

5. A ledger showing every transaction involving the treasury funds and a running total of the treasury must be maintained.
  - a. The treasury ledger may be a physical hand-written ledger or may be a digital ledger as long as the file is provided to the next officer to maintain the treasury.

*Amendment passed with a vote of 45-2-3.*