

# Charter of the Order of Rapsallions

- 1.1 The Order of Rapsallions is a sovereign, independent, and autonomous brotherhood, bound through its free determination to the Rascals, Rogues, and Rapsallions [RR&R].
- 1.2 The Order exists in conformity with Article IV, Section 6 and Article VII, Section 4 of the RR&R Constitution.

## Purpose

2. The Order will strive to promote the goals and ensure the well-being of the RR&R. Admission to the Order shall be the highest honor of the RR&R.

## Membership

- 3.1 Membership in the Order shall be divided into two classes: full and honorary.
- 3.2 Election of both full and honorary members of the Order shall be by unanimous vote of full members of the Order.
- 3.3 Full members of the order shall be drawn from the full members in good standing of the Rascals, Rogue, and Rapsallions who have attained the rank of Rogue within their Lair.
  - 3.3.1 Upon a unanimous vote by the full membership of the Order, candidates for full membership in the Order shall be issued a Rogue's Challenge by the Order.
    - 3.3.1.1 A Rogue's Challenge shall be substantially more difficult, unusual, challenging, and rascally than a Rascal's Challenge.
- 3.4 Honorary members of the Order shall be persons whom the Order wishes to honor who are neither members nor former members of the RR&R.
- 3.5 The right to vote and hold office within the Order shall be restricted to full members.
- 3.6 Full members of the Order shall be called Brother to indicate that their relation to each other is familial, rather than contractual. Thus Brothers are called upon to not merely refrain from injuring one another, but to aid, support, edify, and enlighten one another.
- 3.7 A Brother may be expelled from the Order by a unanimous vote of the other Brothers upon failure to comply with the requirements of membership.
- 3.8 The Order shall consider recommendations for full and honorary membership from the several lairs of the RR&R but shall not be bound by such recommendations.

## Organization

- 4.1 The sovereignty of the Order shall be personally embodied in the Abbot.
- 4.2 The Abbot shall be elected unanimously by the Brothers. He shall serve until such time as all Brothers, excluding himself, shall elect a new Abbot.
- 4.3 The Abbot shall be assisted in his tasks by a Prior, who will be appointed by the Abbot from among the Brothers, with the express consent of a simple majority of the Brothers.

- 4.3.1 The Prior shall appoint such officers and committees as are required to accomplish the appropriate functions of the Priory.
- 4.3.2 All the records and effects of the Priory shall be the inalienable property of the Order.
- 4.3.3 The Prior shall submit an annual report to the Ephorate for incorporation into the annual report of the Ephorate to the RR&R. This report shall be submitted to the Ephorate on November 30 of each year for all acts of the Order transpiring in the preceding twelve months.

#### **Devices and Symbols**

- 5.1 All devices, seals, symbols, and other distinctive designs used by the Order, as well as the name "Order of Rapsallions," are the property of the Order and may not be used by anyone without proper license from the Order.

#### **Regalia**

- 6.1 All members of the Order are granted license to wear the regalia of the Order.
- 6.2 Any and all regalia of the Order are the inalienable property of the Order.
- 6.3 The cost of any and all regalia of the Order shall be borne by the Brother to whom is given license to wear said regalia.
  - 6.3.1 Upon the revocation of license to wear said regalia, the Order shall refund those costs to the former Brother or to the estate of the deceased Brother.
- 6.4 All regalia must be surrendered to the Order upon the expulsion or death of a former or deceased Brother.

#### **Adopted 24 March 1996**

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Ephor Donald Kellander, Prior Order of Rapsallions

Ephor Daniel Paul Morrison, Abbot Order of Rapsallions

#### **Amended 24 February 2021**

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