

Kingdom of Lochac



Draft of proposed Kingdom Law

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Introduction to this revision

This revision has an extensive change log (the change log makes up more than 50% of this document).

Primarily, the changes stem from amendments to SCANZ's constitution that required some changes to the way that some officers were appointed and thereby their reporting lines and how issues with them were managed.

We took this opportunity to do a more comprehensive review, and address laws which were not supported by Corpora, add the new awards, remove outdated laws that don't work with the way things are now, and allow for alternative Crown selection options in the future. We've tried to use consistent terminology throughout, and avoid gendered terms to account for our array of Crown pairings.

Headings and numbering have been added and adjusted where needed to support referenceable rules.

Yours in Service,

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1 Definitions

1.1 SCA

1. SCA Inc. means the Society for Creative Anachronism Incorporated, incorporated in California, USA.
2. SCA Ltd means the Society for Creative Anachronism Ltd, the company representing the SCA in Australia.
3. SCANZ means the Society for Creative Anachronism (New Zealand) Incorporated.
4. SCA means the collection of affiliated organisations which includes SCA Inc., SCA Ltd and SCANZ.

1.2 Lochac

1. Lochac means the Kingdom of Lochac, a branch of the SCA which encompasses all SCA activities and groups within Australia and New Zealand.
2. In this document, “kingdom” or “the kingdom” shall also be understood to mean the Kingdom of Lochac unless clearly noted otherwise.

1.3 Laws

“Law” or “Laws” used without qualifiers means the Law or Laws of the Kingdom of Lochac; i.e. this document.

1.4 Corpora

Corpora means “The Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.”, one of the governing documents of SCA Inc. It contains the policies governing historical re-creation within the SCA globally.

1.5 Member

A member is a subscribing member of SCA Ltd or SCANZ, an event member, or a member of a formally affiliated organisation.

1.6 Pegasus

1. Pegasus is the official newsletter of Lochac, SCA Ltd and SCANZ.

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2. In this document, “the kingdom newsletter” shall be understood to mean Pegasus.

1.7 Kingdom website

The kingdom website is lochac.sca.org.

1.8 Official event

An official event means an SCA event as defined in Corpora.

1.9 Steward

Steward means the subscribing member of the SCA who is the person responsible for an official event.

1.10 Sovereign

Sovereign means the contestant of Crown Tournament who won, and was subsequently crowned as King or Queen.

1.11 Consort

Consort means the person who entered Crown Tournament with the person who won Crown Tournament and was subsequently crowned as King or Queen.

1.12 The Crown

The Crown means the Sovereign and Consort of Lochac, acting together

1.13 Royal titles

1.13.1 King/Queen/Crown

The titles “King”, “Queen” and “Crown” are reserved for the Sovereign and/or Consort.

1.13.2 Crown Prince/Crown Princess

The titles “Crown Prince” or “Crown Princess” are reserved for the Royal Heirs.

1.14 Regents

Regents are the persons who administer the affairs of the kingdom if the Crown is unable to reign.

1.15 Royal Heirs

Royal Heirs means the winner of the most recent Crown Tournament and their consort, who have been granted the title of Crown Prince or Crown Princess but who have not yet been crowned King or Queen.

1.16 Governing documents of the SCA

The governing documents of the SCA in Lochac shall be, by order of precedence:

1. Real-world law.
2. The constitutions of SCA Ltd and/or SCANZ, as applicable.
3. The SCA Ltd-SCANZ, SCA Ltd-SCA Inc. and SCANZ-SCA Inc. operating agreements.
4. SCA Ltd and/or SCANZ corporate policies, as applicable.
5. Corpora.
6. SCA Inc. Officers' policies, as approved by the Board of SCA Inc., except those specifically excluded by the operating agreements between SCA Ltd and/or SCANZ and SCA Inc.
7. The Laws of the Kingdom of Lochac (this document).
8. Governing documents or written policies of Kingdom Officers, approved by the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, and Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.
9. The Word of the Crown.

2 The Law

Kingdom Law needs to be updated to account for changes to SCANZ's constitution

2.1 Precedence of the Law

1. The order of precedence of the Law shall be as defined in Definitions 1.16

2.2 Source of the Law

2.2.1 Word of the Crown

1. The Word of the Crown is Law, subject to the governing documents of the SCA and the modern laws of jurisdictions in which the kingdom is situated.

2.2.2 Proclamations

1. Proclamations of the Crown come into effect from the moment they are spoken, and are binding on all subjects of the kingdom with knowledge of the terms of the proclamation to the extent of that knowledge, during the reign of the Crown who made the proclamation. However, they do not change or rescind existing laws unless proclaimed and published as provided below.

2.3 Changes to the Law

2.3.1 Proposed Laws

1. Proposed Laws are any changes or additions proposed for these Laws.
2. The Crown must present all proposed Laws to the Kingdom Seneschal.
3. The Kingdom Seneschal will provide advice in a timely manner, and seek the approval of any proposed Law changes from the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ within 60 days.
4. Once the Kingdom Seneschal has provided confirmation of approval, the Crown may act to proclaim and publish the law change.

2.3.2 Proclamation and publication of Law changes

1. Changes to these Laws shall be announced by the Crown at an official event and shall take effect immediately as Word of the Crown, and become permanent when published and included in Pegasus.
2. In written announcements, all changes must be presented as changes, additions or deletions to specific articles or sections.

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3. When announced in court, only the fact of the changes need be announced, provided the changes themselves have been published on the announcement email list prior to the event, or are available at the event for attendees to read.

2.4 Publication

1. The current Laws shall be maintained on the website of the Kingdom Seneschal and their location shall be published on the home page of the kingdom website and in each issue of Pegasus.
2. Documents describing announced changes to Laws shall be maintained and accessible on the Kingdom Seneschal's website for at least ten years after their original publication.

2.5 Combat

1. The rules and conventions concerning the martial activities of the Kingdom of Lochac are maintained and published by the office of the Earl Marshal.

3 The Crown

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3.1 Eligibility for Crown Tournament

1. Each entrant in Crown Tournament, and their consort, must:
 - (a) Be acceptable to the Committee of SCANZ and Board of SCA Ltd.
 - (b) Not be disqualified from being an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society under section 47 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.
 - (c) Be acceptable to the Crown.
 - (d) Be at least 18 years of age on the day of the Crown Tournament.
 - (e) Be current subscribing members of SCA Ltd or SCANZ.
 - i. Membership must be maintained by the winner and their consort throughout their tenure as Royal Heirs and Crown.
 - ii. Positive confirmation of membership consists of:
 - A. a valid membership card,
 - B. listing as a current member in the registry database,
 - C. or receipt of online membership (as downloaded from the renewal website) plus proof that payment has been made in the form of a receipt for an electronic payment.
 - (f) Have actively participated in the Kingdom of Lochac for a satisfactory period of time as judged by the Crown of Lochac.
 - For example, the Crown may choose to ask entrants to share what Lochac events they have attended/participated in the 3 to 6 months prior to the tournament.
 - (g) Be able and willing to swear that should they win, they will attend their Coronation, the following Crown Tournament and the Coronation of their successors, and that they are willing and able to swear fealty to Lochac for the duration of their reign.
 - (h) Not be the current Sovereign or Consort of Lochac.
 - (i) Be able and willing, should they win, to obtain and maintain throughout their reign passports and any other necessary travel documents to ensure that they are free to travel to all parts of the kingdom.
2. A person may only be fought for by one combatant in a Crown Tournament.

Examples:

 - Person A may fight for Person B and Person B may also fight for Person A.

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- Person A may fight for Person B and Person B may fight for Person C.
 - Person A and Person B may NOT both fight for Person C.

3.2 Succession

3.2.1 Failure to attend Coronation

Should the Crown Prince and/or Princess, through no fault of their own, be unable to attend their Coronation, such steps as are necessary and acceptable to them and to the Crown shall be taken, that they may be crowned.

3.2.2 Sovereign or Consort unable to reign by cause of illness or death

If the Crown Prince or Princess becomes seriously ill or dies between the time of the Crown Tournament and their investiture as Crown, the remaining Crown Prince or Princess may reign alone, vested with the full powers of the Crown.

3.2.3 Crown Prince and/or Princess unwilling to reign

1. If the provisions of the previous subsection do not apply and the Crown Prince and/or Princess are unable or unwilling to start their reign, the Council of the Purse shall make preparations for a Crown Tournament which shall be held at the beginning of the Coronation event or, if this date shall have passed, at the earliest date practicable.
2. Entry into this tournament shall be restricted to those fighters and consorts who met the eligibility requirements listed in 3.1 to enter the previous Crown Tournament and who remain eligible, except for the victor of the previous Crown Tournament, and their consort who shall both be barred.
3. The Crown retain the right to make their acceptance of eligibility conditional on any further requirements.
4. The winner and consort of this tournament shall be crowned immediately.

3.2.4 Inability to complete reign

Should either the Sovereign or Consort become unable or unwilling to complete their reign, the other may continue to reign alone and shall retain all the power of the Crown.

3.2.5 The Regent

1. Should the Crown become unable or unwilling to complete their reign, the Champion and Lord or Lady of Lochac shall be Regent, and shall have all the powers of the Crown with the exception that the Regents may not change the Laws or give out awards.

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2. The Regents may not participate as competitor or consort in the Crown Tournament to find the next Crown.
 3. If the Crown has abdicated without Heirs, the Regent shall crown the winner and consort of the next Crown Tournament as Sovereign and Consort immediately.
 4. If the Crown fails to complete their reign after their Heirs have been chosen, the Regent shall crown the Royal Heirs at the next scheduled Coronation event.

3.3 Selecting the Crown

1. The Sovereign is selected by being the winner of Crown Tournament, and the person they were competing for is selected as Consort.
2. The Crown shall choose the tournament form by which their successors shall be chosen.
3. Combat used for Crown Tournaments must follow the Rules of the Lists, the requirements for arms and armour, and conventions of combat for the Kingdom of Lochac.
4. The standard list for Lochac Crown Tournaments is a double elimination tournament, but other lists, such as single elimination or round robin may be chosen.
5. Each competitor, by entering Crown Tournament, declares willingness to face all opponents.
6. The winner of the Crown Tournament and their consort shall be the Royal Heirs, and bear the titles of Crown Prince and/or Crown Princess of Lochac.
7. Until their Coronation they shall have only such rights and duties as the Crown assigns to them.
8. The highest-ranked competitor in the Crown Tournament who is not the Crown or Consort shall bear the title of Champion of Lochac and their consort shall be called Lord or Lady of Lochac, for the duration of the reign of the winner of this tournament.

3.4 Coronation

At their Coronation, the Royal Heirs of Lochac shall assume the titles of King and/or Queen and shall be vested with the full powers of the Crown.

3.5 Crown Travel Fund

1. The Crown Travel Fund will reimburse the Crown's travel expenses up to an amount to be specified from time to time by the Council of the Purse.
2. Such reimbursement will be made upon presentation of receipts to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

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3. Details of the current policy can be found on the Chancellor of the Exchequer's website. (<http://reeve.lochac.sca.org/policies>)

4 Officers

4.1 Kingdom Officers

4.1.1 Great Officers

There shall be seven Great Officers in Lochac. They shall be:

1. the Kingdom Seneschal
2. the Crux Australis Herald
3. the Earl Marshal
4. the Minister of Arts and Sciences
5. the Chancellor of the Exchequer
6. the Kingdom Chronicler
7. the Kingdom Chatelaine.

4.1.2 Lesser Officers

There shall be four Lesser Officers in Lochac. They shall be:

1. the Provost of the College of Scribes
2. the Keeper of Regalia
3. the Kingdom Historian
4. and the Kingdom Web Minister.

4.1.3 Term of office

1. The normal term of office for a Kingdom Officer shall be two years.
2. This term shall only be extended in exceptional circumstances.
3. No Kingdom Officer may serve for more than four years consecutively.

4.1.4 Responsibilities of Kingdom Officers

4.1.4.1 To the Crown

1. The Great and Lesser Officers are responsible to the Crown for carrying out the Laws and administering the affairs of Lochac.
2. They owe allegiance to the Crown in the performance of their offices.

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3. In addition to the specific duties defined hereunder, each officer shall carry out such other duties as are appropriate to the office, or as are directed by the Crown.

4.1.4.2 Documentation of the office

As part of their responsibility to the administration of the kingdom, the Great and Lesser Officers shall produce and/or maintain written policies of their office, and seek approval of the Crown, the Kingdom Seneschal, and the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ for any changes to the written policies of their office.

4.1.4.3 Communication

It shall be the responsibility and duty of each Great and Lesser Officer of the kingdom to maintain regular contact with, provide support to and collect reports from the local officers below them.

4.1.4.4 Deputies

1. It shall be the duty of each Great and Lesser Officer, within six months of assuming office, to obtain a deputy capable of assuming their office in case of emergency.
2. Emergency replacement deputies must be approved in the same manner as the office holder.

4.1.5 Duties of Kingdom Officers

4.1.5.1 Kingdom Seneschal

1. The Kingdom Seneschal is responsible for coordinating the administration of the kingdom's recreation activities, which includes coordinating the other Kingdom Officers as required for the smooth operation of the kingdom.
2. The Kingdom Seneschal is responsible for assisting new branches and for branch elevations.
3. The Kingdom Seneschal shall:
 - (a) Receive reports from all other Great and Lesser Officers on the status of their office.
 - (b) Make such reports as may be required by the Crown.
 - (c) Sit on the Council of the Purse.
 - (d) Sit on the Council of the Regalia.
 - (e) Ensure that details of upcoming Crown events, attendance at which is required for the winners of the next Crown Tournament (as defined in Corpora IV - Royalty), are properly published via the kingdom's normal publishing processes, including appearing in Pegasus at least one month before that Crown Tournament takes place.

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- (f) Support the Crown with processing proposed changes to Kingdom Law, and inform the Society Seneschal and the SCA Inc Board ombudsman for the kingdom of approved changes.
 4. The Kingdom Seneschal is ineligible to enter or be fought for in Crown Tournaments for any reign that would coincide with their term of office.

4.1.5.2 Crux Australis Herald

Crux Australis Herald is the principal heraldic officer of the Crown, and the head of the College of Heralds in Lochac, and shall be responsible for:

1. Provision of the Crown's voice at events.
2. Registration of names and armoury.
3. Maintenance of the Order of Precedence of Lochac.
4. Provision of new ceremony.
5. Devising of new protocol for Lochac subject to the Crown's approval.

4.1.5.3 Earl Marshal

1. The Earl Marshal is the principal martial officer of the Crown, and the head of the marshallate in Lochac, and shall be responsible for:
 - (a) Development of combat conventions for the kingdom, as required.
 - (b) Encouraging the development of chivalry on the field.
 - (c) Maintenance, publication and enforcement of the kingdom standards for construction and use of weapons and armour.
2. The Earl Marshal, in consultation with the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, shall appoint deputies in the areas of Keeper of the Lists, Fencing, Archery, Equestrian and Armoured Combat to perform duties in respect of the marshallate.
3. Further deputies with specific duties may be appointed by the Earl Marshal, in consultation with the Crown.
4. The Earl Marshal must appoint deputies for any of the disciplines they are not themselves an authorising marshal for. The Earl Marshal may subsume one or more of these roles into their own office, if they are qualified to do so, and so desire.
5. The Earl Marshal must be an authorising marshal in the kingdom in at least one of the following fields: armoured combat, rapier, equestrian.

4.1.5.4 Minister of Arts and Sciences

The Minister of Arts and Sciences shall be responsible for:

1. Encouraging period arts and sciences in Lochac.

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2. Organising the annual Lochac Arts and Sciences Competition.

4.1.5.5 Chancellor of the Exchequer

1. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is responsible for:
 - (a) Coordinating the financial administration of funds for the Kingdom of Lochac and its branches.
 - (b) Collecting, safeguarding and disbursing the monies of the kingdom.
 - (c) Receiving financial reports from the local groups of Lochac.
 - (d) Sitting on the Council of the Purse.
2. A deputy must also be appointed to to represent them for either Australia or New Zealand (whichever country they are not a resident in).
3. This deputy shall be responsible for:
 - (a) Managing the kingdom finances in their respective country.
 - (b) Sitting on the Council of the Purse

4.1.5.6 Kingdom Chronicler

The Kingdom Chronicler is responsible for the monthly publication and distribution of the official newsletter Pegasus for receipt by members before the first full weekend of the month.

4.1.5.7 Kingdom Chatelaine

The Kingdom Chatelaine is the bridge between newcomers and the SCA for the kingdom, and shall be responsible for:

1. Coordinating public and media relations and encouraging the growth and integration of the kingdom.
2. Maintaining communications with, and providing resources for, group chatelaines to ensure that newcomers feel welcome at events.

4.1.5.8 Provost of the College of Scribes

The Provost of the College of Scribes shall be responsible for:

1. Co-ordinating the production of such scrolls as may be directed by the Crown, and as may pertain to the Lochac kingdom awards
2. Provision of such other documents as the Crown may require.

4.1.5.9 Keeper of Regalia

The Keeper of Regalia shall serve under the Kingdom Seneschal and shall be responsible for liaising with the Crown through the Council for Regalia regarding the purchase, maintenance, storage and transport of the kingdom regalia as outlined in the Keeper of Regalia Handbook.

4.1.5.10 Kingdom Historian

The Kingdom Historian shall collect and compile materials relating to the history of Lochac and shall compose a chronicle of this history to be available to the people of Lochac.

4.1.5.11 Kingdom Web Minister

The Kingdom Web Minister shall serve under the Kingdom Seneschal and shall be responsible for the maintenance and updating of the kingdom website.

4.2 Group officers

4.2.1 Baronies

Baronies are required to have at least seven officers. The required offices shall be:

1. Seneschal
2. Reeve
3. Herald
4. Marshal (of any discipline)
5. Arts and Sciences Minister
6. Chronicler
7. Chatelaine.

4.2.2 All other groups, excluding hamlets

All other groups are required to have at least three officers. The required offices shall be:

1. Seneschal
2. Reeve
3. one of Herald, Marshal (of any discipline), or Arts and Sciences Minister.

4.2.3 Term of office

1. The normal term of office for a group officer shall be two years.
2. This term shall only be extended in exceptional circumstances.
3. No group officer may serve for more than four years consecutively.

4.2.4 Duties of group officers

1. The duties of group officers closely mirror those of their kingdom-level counterparts, but at the group level.

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2. The duties are laid out in the officer handbooks and policies for each office.

4.3 Reporting

1. The reporting schedule of all officers throughout the kingdom shall be as follows:
 - (a) The Kingdom Seneschal shall report quarterly, by the 1st of March, June, September, and December, to the Society Seneschal, the Lochac Ombudman, the Crown, the Heirs, Board of SCA Ltd, and Committee of SCANZ.
 - (b) The Chancellor of the Exchequer shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal quarterly as required by SCA Ltd and SCANZ requirements, also taking into account the annual reporting dates specified in section 7 (Finances) of Kingdom Law.
 - (c) Other Kingdom Officers shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal, and their Society equivalent officer (where applicable) quarterly, by the 15th of February, May, August, and November.
 - (d) Reeves shall send a report to the Chancellor of the Exchequer or the deputy exchequer quarterly, by the 15th of January, April, July, and October.
 - (e) Seneschals of baronies and shires shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal quarterly, by the 15th of February, May, August, and November
 - (f) Other officers of baronies and shires shall report to their local seneschal quarterly, by the 1st of February, May, August, and November.
 - (g) Seneschals of incipient groups, colleges and cantons shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal or their local seneschal (as applicable) quarterly, by the 15th of January, April, July and October.
 - (h) Other officers of colleges and cantons shall report to their seneschal quarterly, by the 1st of January, April, July and October.
2. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the officer to be suspended or removed from office.

4.4 Appointment of officers

4.4.1 Appointment of Kingdom Officers

1. The Kingdom Seneschal is appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.
2. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.
 - (a) The Deputy Exchequer for New Zealand or Australia is also appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.

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3. The Crux Australis Herald, Earl Marshal, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Kingdom Chronicler, Kingdom Chatelaine, Provost of the College of Scribes and the Kingdom Historian are appointed by the Crown, in consultation with the Kingdom Seneschal and the outgoing officer.
 4. The Keeper of the Regalia and the Kingdom Web Minister are appointed by the Kingdom Seneschal in consultation with the outgoing officer.
 5. Emergency replacement deputies for all Kingdom Officers are appointed the same way as the substantive office holder.

4.4.2 Appointment of group officers

1. Group seneschals are appointed by the Kingdom Seneschal in consultation with the outgoing officer.
2. Group reeves are appointed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer or relevant Deputy Exchequer for that country in consultation with the group seneschal and the outgoing officer.
3. Other group officers are appointed by the relevant Kingdom Officer, in consultation with the group seneschal and the outgoing officer.
4. Emergency replacement deputies for all group officers are appointed the same way as the substantive office holder.

4.4.3 Removal of an officer

With sufficient evidence that an officer is not fulfilling the duties of that office, the relevant appointing authority may remove and replace that officer.

4.4.4 Suspension of an officer

1. An officer may be suspended by the relevant appointing authority for failing to comply with the requirements of their office.
2. The duties of a suspended officer shall be performed by that officer's appointed deputy for the duration of the suspension.
3. If there is no appointed deputy, then the duties of a suspended officer shall be performed by the seneschal at the relevant level, i.e. group or kingdom.

4.5 Requirements for holding office

4.5.1 Conflict of interest

1. No person may hold more than one Kingdom Office excepting as noted under the Earl Marshal's office.
2. No corporate officer of the SCA may hold any Great Office.

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3. The Crown shall hold no other office in Lochac, or its subsidiary groups, during their reign.
 - (a) Offices normally held by them shall be filled by their deputies, or such other persons as may be appointed for the duration of their reign.
 4. No person may hold simultaneously a Kingdom Office and the office of seneschal or reeve in a local branch of the kingdom.

4.5.2 Membership

1. All officers - including Great and Lesser Officers and all local officers - must be members of the SCA.
2. Officers shall maintain their membership throughout their tenure.

4.5.3 Residence

1. All officers shall reside in Lochac, and shall have resided in Lochac for at least the six months prior to taking office.
2. The following officers must have resided in Lochac for at least 1 year prior to taking office:
 - (a) Kingdom Seneschal
 - (b) Chancellor of the Exchequer and their deputy
 - (c) Seneschals of New Zealand groups
 - (d) Reeves of New Zealand groups.
3. As they may need to step into the role as officer at any point, the emergency replacement deputies also need to meet these requirements.

4.5.4 Other eligibility

1. The following officers are also officers of SCANZ, and must meet the eligibility requirements for being an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society:
 - (a) The Kingdom Seneschal (regardless of residence or membership)
 - (b) The Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Deputy Exchequers for New Zealand and Australia (regardless of residence or membership)
 - (c) Seneschals of New Zealand groups
 - (d) Reeves of New Zealand groups.
2. As they may need to step into the role as officer at any point, the emergency replacement deputies also need to meet these requirements.

4.6 Territorial baronages

4.6.1 Appointment

1. The Crown shall appoint as baronage those individual(s) deemed most fit to represent the royal presence in the barony.
2. The Crown shall give consideration to the wishes of the populace of the barony and the advice of the reigning baronage before making such an appointment.
3. Territorial baronages of New Zealand baronies are officers of SCANZ and must be eligible to be an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society.

4.6.2 Vicars

In the case of an extended, but temporary, absence of the baronage, they may request that the Crown appoint a vicar to fulfil the duties of the baronage until their return.

4.6.3 Membership

Territorial baronages must be members of SCA Ltd or SCANZ for the duration of their tenure.

5 Branches

5.1 Creation of branches

The creation, advancement and management of branches within the kingdom shall be governed by the regulations laid down in the governing documents of the SCA.

6 Awards

6.1 Source of awards

1. The Crown is the font of all awards.
2. The sole power to bestow patents, grants and awards of arms rests with the Crown.
3. The Crown hereby grants to the Coronet of each principality the right to offer awards of arms to subjects of the principality, and to offer a patent of arms with the title of Viscount or Viscountess to those who have served the principality in the capacity of Sovereign or Consort for a full reign.
4. The Crown specifically reserves the right to grant patents and create peers for any other reason unto themselves.

6.2 Publication of awards

1. All bestowals of awards shall be proclaimed in court, or in some other public place at an event published in advance in Pegasus, to the Kingdom of Lochac at large.
2. It is the responsibility of the Crown giving arms or other awards, to notify both the Crux Australis Herald and the Kingdom Chronicler of the award, the date given, and the full name of the recipient within three months.
3. The officers will then ensure the information is added to the Order of Precedence and published in Pegasus.

6.3 Signatures

1. The signatures of the Crown shall not be forged on any scroll or other document without express permission of the Crown.
2. Signatures of previous Crowns may be forged on award scrolls after the end of their reign, provided the signatures used are based on that used by that Crown during their reign.
 - (a) For this purpose, a copy of the Crown's reign signature must be sent to the Provost of the College of Scribes during each reign, or supplied on request if their reign has already ended.
 - (b) Any former kingdom or principality royalty who are not readily contactable or who do not supply a reign signature on request may have their name written at the bottom of an award scroll by the Provost of the College of Scribes or the Provost's delegate.

6.4 Order of precedence

1. The order of precedence within Lochac is as follows:
 - (a) The Crown of Lochac
 - (b) The Royal Heirs of Lochac
 - (c) Current territorial baronages, according to date of creation of the barony:
 - i. Rowany
 - ii. Innilgard
 - iii. River Haven
 - iv. Aneala
 - v. Stormhold
 - vi. Ynys Fawr
 - vii. Politarchopolis
 - viii. Southron Gaard
 - ix. Saint-Florian-de-la-rivière
 - x. Ildhafn
 - xi. Mordenvale
 - xii. Krae Glas
 - (d) Current Great Officers of State:
 - i. Kingdom Seneschal
 - ii. Crux Australis Herald
 - iii. Earl Marshal
 - iv. Minister of Arts and Sciences
 - v. Chancellor of the Exchequer
 - vi. Kingdom Chronicler
 - vii. Kingdom Chatelaine
 - (e) Dukes and Duchesses
 - (f) Counts and Countesses
 - (g) Viscounts and Viscountesses
 - (h) Peers of the Realm
 - (i) Companions of the Order of the White Scarf and the Lochac Company of Archers

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- (j) Companions of the orders of distinction, conferring a grant of arms, and those bearers of a grant of arms without membership in an order of distinction
 - (k) Court Barons and Baronesses
 - (l) Members of the armigerous orders of achievement
 - (m) Those members of the populace holding an award of arms.
2. Rank within the orders is determined solely by the date the award was given.
 3. For the territorial rulers, precedence is determined by the date of inauguration of the territory to its current group level.
 4. As per the section Immigrant arms, precedence-bearing awards from other kingdoms carry an identical position of precedence to the corresponding Lochac award.
 5. Awards granted to a branch, guild or other organised group that carry precedence do not convey that precedence onto the individual members of that group.

6.5 Royal peerages

1. The royal peers, as defined in Corpora, are the Dukes and Duchesses, Counts and Countesses and Viscounts and Viscountesses.
2. Royal peerages earned in the Kingdom of Lochac are accompanied by patents of arms.
3. People receiving such patents shall be assumed to fulfil the basic requirements for the elevation to the peerage.

6.6 Patents of arms

1. Bestowed peerages are the Order of Chivalry, the Order of the Laurel, the Order of the Pelican, the Order of Defense, and the Order of the Mark, as defined in Corpora.
2. Elevation to these right noble orders shall convey a patent of arms.
3. Membership in each of the bestowed peerage orders confers the same level of precedence.
4. All members of the respective orders have the right to advise the Crown regarding selection of members for their orders, and no member may be excluded from a conclave convened for that purpose unless under sanctions by the Crown as described in Corpora's section on sanctions.

6.7 The polling orders of distinction

6.7.1 Overview

1. The polling orders of distinction in Lochac are:
 - (a) The Lochac Company of Archers
 - (b) The Order of the White Scarf of Lochac.
2. These orders are no longer polled by the Crown and are closed to new members.
3. The selection of members of these orders was at the pleasure of the Crown after consultation with the existing members of the respective orders.
4. Elevation to these orders conferred a grant of arms, if that person was not already a holder of a grant of arms.
5. These Orders are equal in precedence, and shall rank below the peerage and above the grant-level orders of distinction.

6.7.2 Lochac Company of Archers

1. Membership of the Lochac Company of Archers has been bestowed by the Crown to those who have demonstrated high achievement, chivalry and service to the kingdom in the field of missile weapons.
2. With the Order of the Mark opened as the pinnacle order of ranged pursuits, the Lochac Company of Archers is closed to new members and will no longer be polled by the Crown.
3. It shall be a recognised tradition in Lochac to address members of the company as “Captain”, or a variant thereof.
4. The duties of the members of this company are to promote and encourage their art within the Kingdom of Lochac.
5. They are to advise the Earl Marshal and the Kingdom Archery Marshal on, and do research into, aspects of the art of missile weapons including, but not limited to: combat standards, tactics, marshalling, training, period research, qualification and competition.

6.7.3 Order of the White Scarf of Lochac

1. Membership of the Order of the White Scarf of Lochac has been bestowed by the Crown upon those who have demonstrated high achievement, chivalry and service to the kingdom in unarmoured (rapier) combat.
2. With the Order of Defense opened as the pinnacle order of rapier combat, the Order of the White Scarf is closed to new members and will no longer be polled by the Crown.

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3. It shall be a recognised tradition in Lochac to address members of the Order as “Don” or “Doña”.
 4. The duties of the members of this order are to promote and encourage their art within the Kingdom of Lochac.
 5. They are to advise the Earl Marshal and the Kingdom Rapier Marshal on, and do research into, all aspects of the art of rapier combat including, but not limited to: combat standards, tactics, marshalling, training, period research, qualification and competition.

6.8 Grant-level orders of distinction

6.8.1 Overview

1. Alongside the grant of arms, there shall be three orders of distinction in Lochac:
 - (a) The Order of the Silver Pegasus
 - (b) The Order of the Cockatrice
 - (c) The Order of the Red Wyvern
2. Elevation to these orders shall confer upon the holders a grant of arms, if that person is not already a holder of a grant of arms.
3. All bearers of grants of arms are entitled to be addressed as “The Honourable”.
4. The grant of arms and these orders are all equal in precedence, and shall rank below the polling orders of distinction and above the Court Barons and Baronesses.

6.8.2 Grants of arms

The Crown may bestow a grant of arms to any individual whose substantial, unremitting, and excellent service or ability is of great value to the kingdom.

- GUIDELINE: For example, holding the position of a territorial baronage for a term of four years or longer, or holding a Kingdom Office for a full two-year term, and in either case performing its duties in an exemplary fashion.

6.8.3 The Order of the Silver Pegasus

1. The Order of the Silver Pegasus may be given to those who have distinguished themselves over time by performing outstanding service.
2. They shall also have demonstrated chivalry, courtesy and courtly behaviour.

6.8.4 The Order of the Cockatrice

1. The Order of the Cockatrice may be given to those who have distinguished themselves over time by showing outstanding skill in the arts and sciences.

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2. They shall also have demonstrated chivalry, courtesy and courtly behaviour.

6.8.5 The Order of the Red Wyvern

1. The Order of the Red Wyvern may be given to those who have distinguished themselves over time by performing outstanding service and great prowess in the martial arts.
2. They shall also have demonstrated chivalry, courtesy, and courtly behaviour both on and off the field of martial endeavour.
3. Such prowess can include skills in armoured combat, ranged weapons, rapier, the equestrian arts, siege warfare, or leadership on the warfield.

6.9 Court Baronies

1. The title of Court Baron or Court Baroness may be offered to those the Crown wishes to honour, for those whose contributions have enriched the kingdom in unique ways.

GUIDELINE: Traditionally, this award is bestowed upon retiring territorial baronages. See also “Grants of arms”.

2. This title carries with it an award of arms, and those entitled shall stand in precedence between holders of grants of arms and orders of achievement.
3. The title of Court Baron/Baroness may be used by all who attain this title.
4. Court Barons and Baronesses are entitled to be addressed as “Your Excellency”.

6.10 Orders of achievement

6.10.1 Overview

1. The Crown shall bestow membership to the armigerous orders to those they deem deserving.
2. The orders of achievement in Lochac shall have the following common characteristics:
3. Elevation to these orders shall confer upon the holders an award of arms, if those persons are not already armigerous.
4. Members in these orders are entitled to be addressed by any of the titles deemed appropriate for this rank by the College of Arms.
5. These orders are all equal in precedence, and shall rank below the Court Barons and Baronesses and above holders of an award of arms.

6.10.2 The Order of the Golden Tear

The Order of the Golden Tear may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour for substantial and considerate service to the kingdom.

6.10.3 The Order of the Star and Lily

The Order of the Star and Lily may be bestowed upon to those the Crown finds deserving of honour, for achievement in the arts and sciences.

6.10.4 The Order of the Rapier

The Order of the Rapier may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour, for achievement in the field of rapier fighting.

6.10.5 The Order of the Golden Sword

The Order of the Golden Sword may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour, for achievement in the field of armoured combat.

6.10.6 The Order of the Nock

The Order of the Nock may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour, for achievement in the fields of archery and/or missile combat.

6.10.7 The Miles Regni

The Miles Regni (Soldier of the Kingdom) may be bestowed by the Crown to those who have supported the army of Lochac in any significant manner, including siege weapons and non-contact participants.

6.10.8 The Order of Prometheus

The Order of Prometheus may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour for excellence in teaching.

6.10.9 The Order of Hector

The Order of Hector may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour for excellence in equestrian activities.

6.10.10 The Lochac Order of Grace

The Lochac Order of Grace may only be awarded once per reign to that person the Consort regards as having displayed exceptional courtesy.

6.10.11 The Order of the Golden Poyntel

The Order of the Golden Poyntel may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour, for achievement in the scribal arts for the Lochac College of Scribes.

6.10.12 The Order of the Vox Coronae

The Order of the Vox Coronae may be bestowed upon those the Crown finds deserving of honour, for excellence and sustained service in voice and silent heraldry.

6.11 Award of arms

1. The Crown shall bestow an award of arms to those individuals who they deem deserving of recognition for their various achievements.
2. Gentles granted an award of arms are entitled to be addressed by any of the titles deemed appropriate for this rank by the College of Arms.
3. They shall rank below the armigerous orders of achievement and above the non-armigerous orders.
4. This award shall have the effect of converting devices, previously registered with the College of Heralds, to arms, and of directing those who have not yet registered armoury to design and register arms.

6.12 Non-armigerous orders

6.12.1 General

1. In addition to the armigerous orders, the Crown may create orders that do not in themselves convey the right to bear arms, nor do they convey any rank in the Order of Precedence
2. The awards granted by the Coronets of the former Principality of Lochac were non-armigerous.
 - (a) Those orders are now closed and membership of these orders does not convey rank:
 - i. Order of the Roman Lilies
 - ii. Order of the Silver Tear
 - iii. Order of the Silver Nock
 - iv. Order of the Silver Rapier
 - v. Order of the Silver Sword

6.12.2 The Order of the Rowan

The Order of the Rowan is given to those who have displayed exceptional and consistent grace and courtesy to all.

6.12.3 The Order of the Silver Helm

The Order of the Silver Helm is given to those combatants who consistently present a good looking and period appearance on the field.

6.12.4 The Order of the Cross of Lochac

The Order of the Cross of Lochac may be given to those who have performed service to the kingdom, but who are not citizens of Lochac.

6.12.5 The Order of Taillefer

The Order of Taillefer may be bestowed on those who by way of performance consistently entertain the populace of the kingdom.

6.12.6 Royal cyphers

1. The Crown may create and award royal cyphers to those people who have been thoughtful and helpful to the Crown, or the King or Queen separately, during their reign.
2. These may also be proclaimed as a King's cypher or a Queen's cypher.

6.12.7 The Mouse Guard

The Mouse Guard is given in recognition of the contribution given to our kingdom by children between the ages of 4 and 13 years.

6.12.8 The Company of the Pride of Lochac

The Pride of Lochac is given by the Crown to groups, such as households, who have as a group made noteworthy contribution to the kingdom.

6.12.9 The Order of the Rose

1. The Order of the Rose comprises those who have served as Consort to the Sovereign, in the Kingdom of Lochac, or in the Principality of Lochac, as defined in Corpora.
2. Members of this order are charged with supporting and assisting the Crown and their Heirs, and encouraging chivalric and courteous behaviour among all members of the Society.
3. The order shall be non-armigerous.

6.12.10 The Order of the Coronaria

1. The Order of the Coronaria comprises those who have served Lochac as Viscountess or Vicereine before Lochac became a kingdom.
2. Members of this order are charged with supporting and assisting the Crown and their heirs and encouraging chivalric and courteous behaviour among all members of the Society.
3. The order shall be non-armigerous.
4. There is no official token for the award.

6.12.11 Augmentation of arms

1. An augmentation of arms is a special and very rare honour.
2. It entitles the recipient to register an addition or alteration to their arms in consultation with the awarding Crown.
3. An augmentation of arms may be granted to a group or individual at the discretion of the Crown.
4. In the case of an individual, it would normally be for exceptional and/or prolonged service to the Kingdom of Lochac.

6.12.12 The Order of the Catkin

The Order of the Catkin is bestowed upon those who have consistently enhanced the game for families by providing children's activities and spaces.

6.12.13 Gratia Coronae

The Gratia Coronae is a royal cypher and a token of thanks from the Crown for actions above and beyond for the kingdom and Knowne World during the COVID-19 pandemic.

6.13 Other awards

6.13.1 Baronial awards

The territorial baronages of each barony have the right to establish non-armigerous orders and awards to be recognized solely within the borders of their barony.

6.13.2 Local recognition

1. Groups that are not baronies may give local recognition without consultation with the Crown.
2. These are not awards and carry no precedence.

6.14 Immigrant arms

1. The Kingdom of Lochac recognizes the arms and orders awarded by other kingdoms of our Society.
2. Armigers moving to Lochac will be placed on the Lochac Order of Precedence as though they had received the equivalent Lochac awards.

7 Finances

7.1 Financial policy

The financial policies of SCA Ltd and SCANZ apply to the Kingdom of Lochac and to all groups within the kingdom.

7.2 Financial reporting

7.2.1 Groups reporting to the Chancellor of the Exchequer

1. Every **Australian** group shall report annually to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for Australia, by 31st January, on the monies and properties they held for their group or the SCA during the previous Australian financial year.
2. Every **New Zealand** group shall report annually to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for New Zealand, by 30th of April, on the monies and properties they held for their group or the SCA during the previous New Zealand financial year.
3. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor of the Exchequer to suspend the responsible officer in that group.
4. Failure to so report within a further month without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor of the Exchequer to request the Crown to place the group in abeyance.

7.2.2 The Chancellor of the Exchequer

7.2.2.1 Annual reporting

1. The Chancellor of the Exchequer must report to the SCA Ltd Treasurer, the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal every year by the last day of February, on the monies and properties of Australian branches of the Kingdom of Lochac.
2. The Chancellor of the Exchequer must report to the SCANZ Treasurer, the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal every year by the 31st of May on the monies and properties of New Zealand branches of the Kingdom of Lochac.
3. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ to suspend or remove the Chancellor of the Exchequer from office.

7.2.2.2 Kingdom financial summary in Pegasus

1. The office of the Chancellor of the Exchequer must publish in each July issue of Pegasus a summary report (e.g. one page per country) of the kingdom's account

balances and overall income/expenditure covering the most recent financial year for each country, alongside comparable figures from the previous year.

2. This summary should cover all accounts held by the kingdom in any country.
3. As the kingdom is not a legal entity, and exists in multiple legal jurisdictions, these reports are for the information of the populace only. They do not constitute legal, financial, or regulatory reporting.

7.2.2.3 Failure to report

1. Should it become apparent that the Chancellor of the Exchequer is unable or unwilling to produce a financial report for a given financial year, then the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ may remove them from office and appoint another person.
2. The emergency replacement deputy shall perform the duties of the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer until a permanent replacement is found.
3. Should it be apparent that a group within the kingdom is unable or unwilling to report, then this should be communicated by the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the relevant corporate Treasurer.
4. The provisions of SCANZ's constitution and SCA Ltd's financial policy will then apply, including placing the group in abeyance.

7.3 Levies on events

7.3.1 General

1. For the purposes of the kingdom event levy, SCA Ltd event membership and SCANZ event membership fees, regular activities such as fighter practices, group business meetings and informal classes are excluded from requiring collection of fees and levies.
2. Events sponsored by college groups are exempt from the requirement to collect or remit kingdom event levies, SCA Ltd or SCANZ event membership fees.
3. Incipient groups without bank accounts shall report through their supervising group.
4. Persons who pay no entry fee are exempted from kingdom event levies.

7.3.2 Kingdom event levy

1. Each group in the Kingdom of Lochac shall contribute to the kingdom funds.
2. For every day (up to a maximum of 5 days) of every event held, \$1 from every person 18 years or older attending the event that day shall be collected.

7.3.3 SCA Ltd event memberships

1. SCA Ltd requires that Australian-based groups (except colleges) collect and remit funds for event memberships for persons who are not full members of the SCA in any country.
2. For every event held, from every non-member, adult or minor, attending the event, a fee as prescribed by SCA Ltd shall be collected.
3. Australian-based groups must report the number of, but not collect the fee from, any members of SCA Ltd affiliated organisations such as SCANZ or SCA Inc attending their events.

7.3.4 SCANZ event membership fees

1. SCANZ requires that New Zealand-based groups (except colleges) collect and remit funds for event memberships for persons who are not full members of the SCA in any country.
2. For every event held, from every non-member 18 years or older attending the event, a fee as prescribed by SCANZ shall be collected.
3. Persons who pay no entry fee are exempted from SCANZ event membership fees.

7.3.5 Remittance

1. At the end of every quarter (September, December, March, June), the funds collected by the group shall be remitted in accordance with the requirements of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.
2. Groups are required to calculate their amounts and remit funds in their own relevant currency on a dollar for dollar basis.

8 Crown events

8.1 Scheduling

1. There shall be two official Crown Tournaments and two official Coronations per year in the kingdom.
2. These shall be held on the first or second full weekend of the following months:
 - March - Autumn Crown
 - May - New Year's Coronation
 - September - Spring Crown
 - November - Mid-year Coronation
3. In exceptional cases, the Council of the Purse has discretion to accept an event bid specifying a date which is up to 14 days before or after the weekends noted above.
4. Events sited more than 500km as the crow flies from the Crown Tournament or Coronation event site are granted automatic permission to conflict with the event.
5. Other events shall not be scheduled on any date where a Crown Tournament or Coronation is to be held without express permission of the Crown.

8.2 Event hosting

The hosting of the four official crown events shall be equitably distributed among the branches of Lochac as far as is possible.

8.3 Bids

1. Bids from groups wishing to host a crown event shall be collected by the Kingdom Seneschal.
2. The Council of the Purse shall choose between the bids at least nine (9) months before the crown event, and earlier if they think advisable; but in no case shall the decision be made more than eighteen months before the proposed event.
3. In extenuating circumstances, bids may be approved up to six (6) months before the crown event.

8.4 Budget

1. All bids for crown events must include a detailed budget.

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2. The Council of the Purse may reject a bid entirely based on the proposed budget, however it may seek modifications to that budget in preference to rejection.
 3. Any modification to the budget must be agreed to by the Council of the Purse and the bidding group.
 4. After the budget for a crown event has been approved by the Council of the Purse, no changes shall be made to the budget without the approval of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

8.5 Finances

1. The steward of each crown event shall submit a final financial report to the Chancellor of the Exchequer within two months of the holding of the event.
2. If the report is not received in this time, the group may not hold any official events until a satisfactory report is received by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

8.6 Inability for the Crown Tournament or Coronation to be held

8.6.1 General

1. In the event that the Crown Tournament or Coronation must be cancelled due to extenuating circumstances, such as but not limited to a public health emergency or significant natural disaster, and cannot feasibly be rescheduled or relocated within the allowable schedule period per 8.1, the events will occur as per 8.6.2 and 8.6.3.
2. The Council of the Purse will determine the dates and publish the date changes in Pegasus, on the kingdom website and other appropriate kingdom communication channels.

8.6.2 Crown Tournament

1. The Crown Tournament will be held at the following scheduled Coronation.
2. Should this event also be cancelled, the Crown Tournament will be held on a date agreed by the Council of the Purse but no later than the next scheduled crown event per 8.1, with consideration given to broad accessibility to compete in the tournament where travel restrictions may be in effect.

8.6.3 Coronation

8.6.3.1 Coronation (with Royal Heirs)

1. If there are Royal Heirs, the Kingdom Seneschal and the reigning Crown shall prepare and have published a proclamation announcing the orderly succession of the Crown.
2. The proclamation shall be made and dated within 14 days of the cancelled Coronation event, submitted for publication in the next edition of Pegasus and distributed to the populace via the territorial baronages and group seneschals.

8.6.3.2 Coronation (without Royal Heirs)

1. If there are no Royal Heirs, the current Crown will continue their reign until a Crown Tournament and successive Coronation can be scheduled as per 8.6.2.
2. If the current Crown are not willing to extend their term, a Regency is to be established as per 3.2.5.

9 Councils

9.1 Council of the Purse

1. There shall be a Council of the Purse, consisting of the Crown (or Regent), the Kingdom Seneschal, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Deputy to the Chancellor of the Exchequer (AUS/NZ) to determine matters of general finance and the distribution of funds during the reign.
2. For the council to make a decision, the members of the council must be unanimously in agreement.
3. The Council of the Purse is responsible for approving the budget bid for every Crown event and kingdom expenditure.
4. The Royal Heirs shall be made party to discussions of the council, but not have a vote.

9.2 Council of Regalia

9.2.1 General

1. There shall be a Council of Regalia.
2. Its duties will be to advise the Crown as to the artistic, historical, and practical merit of proposed regalia and equipment.
3. Further, the council will specifically advise the Crown as to the acceptability of such items.
4. All offers of donation, and all proposals for acquisition of Crown regalia will be handled through this council.
5. Any article of regalia given to the Crown without having first been approved by the council will be deemed a personal gift to the Sovereign and/or Consort to whom it is presented.
6. All items of regalia are considered the property of the Kingdom of Lochac and may be disposed of only with the unanimous consent of the council.

9.2.2 Composition

1. Voting members of the council shall be the Sovereign and Consort, the Keeper of Regalia, the Kingdom Seneschal, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer.
2. Non-voting members shall be the Royal Heirs, and such persons the Crown deems relevant to the subject matter.

9.2.3 Functions

1. The Council for Regalia will conduct an inventory of the royal regalia immediately prior to its transfer from the outgoing to the incoming Crown.
2. A representative of both sets of incoming and outgoing Crowns should be present.
3. The council shall determine if the outgoing Crown shall be held fiscally responsible for loss or damage to regalia entrusted into their care.
4. The new Crown shall acknowledge in writing the receipt of those items of regalia coming into their possession.
5. Other items of regalia shall remain in the possession of the council's representative.

10 Conduct of persons

10.1 Fealty

10.1.1 Great Officers of State

All Great Officers shall pledge fealty to the current Crown.

10.1.2 Lesser Officers of State

All Lesser Officers may pledge fealty to the current Crown.

10.1.3 Territorial baronages

Each territorial baronage shall pledge fealty to the current Crown.

10.1.4 Peers

1. Knights shall swear fealty to the Crown.
2. All other members of bestowed peerages and royal peers have the right to offer fealty to the Crown.
3. If any peer is unable to do so in person, they may, if they choose, offer their fealty to the current Crown through the baronage of the territory in which they reside as the Crown's representative. This fealty shall then be passed to the Crown by the territorial baronage.

10.1.5 Other cases

No subject of Lochac shall be required to pledge fealty to any branch below the level of a principality, nor to any individual save the Crown of Lochac.

10.1.6 Violation of fealty

1. No statement or action which suggests, advocates or enacts violation of fealty to the kingdom shall be used, by any person, group or entity in Lochac.
2. Fighters doing so shall at once be forbidden to participate in any Society combat
3. Officers doing so shall at once be suspended from office.
4. If an entire branch does so, it shall be suspended.
5. The above suspensions and restrictions shall remain until they have been considered by the Crown or their appointed representatives, at which point the suspensions shall be lifted or confirmed.

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6. At the same occasion, other penalties may be assessed, if such is the will of the Crown.
 7. Any such penalties and processes shall comply with the Sanctions Guide.

10.1.7 Fealty variations

1. Fealty shall be read as that sworn by the individual at court and as per the Lochac Book of Ceremonies.
2. Alternatives may be used with the agreement of the Crown and shall carry the same intent.

10.2 Clothing

1. In accordance with Corpora, all people attending official SCA events shall be wearing an attempt at a style of pre 17th Century dress.
2. At business meetings and informal classes, the requirement to wear pre-17th century dress may be waived.

10.3 Hazard and incident reporting

1. Any hazard that presents, or is likely to present, an unacceptable risk of injury or illness as a result of an activity or event that relates to Lochac must be reported, as soon as practicable, to the relevant officer (e.g. the event steward, local seneschal).
2. Any person may alert the relevant officer, as soon as practicable, to a risk that has the potential to harm a person, the environment, or the organisation, at any time during or after an activity or event that relates to Lochac.
3. The relevant officer shall take action, so far as is reasonable, to address the risk or otherwise escalate when appropriate.

10.4 Issue resolution procedure

10.4.1 General

1. The purpose of this procedure is to guide two or more parties toward a mutually acceptable outcome in the event that they are unable to agree upon an issue arising during SCA- related activities and events.
2. If either party is not legally competent to participate in this process, they shall be represented by their legal guardian.
3. Information that could reasonably lead to the identification of the other party in conjunction with the details of an issue must not be shared outside the issue resolution process.

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4. For any complaint that involves a New Zealand member or any officer of SCANZ (including the Crown, the Kingdom Seneschal, the Chancellor of the Exchequer or their Deputy) a formal dispute may be raised with SCANZ under the procedures in its constitution at any stage.
 5. Anyone having an issue with or grievance against another member in of SCA participant in Lochac that is not a mundane legal matter or dealt with in SCA policy, shall first attempt to settle the matter as follows:

10.4.2 First stage

1. The person shall attempt to hold a private discussion with the other to come to a resolution.
2. If either party wishes, they may designate another person they trust who is willing to conduct or participate in the discussion on their behalf.
3. If desired by either party and subsequently accepted by both parties, an impartial mediator may be present.
4. The time, communication method and location of any discussion should be mutually agreed on.

10.4.3 Second stage

1. If the issue cannot be resolved and involves only local parties, the person shall bring the matter, preferably in writing, to the attention of the most relevant officer, or to the local seneschal if there is no appropriate local officer.
2. If the issue is with someone outside the local area, it shall be brought to the relevant Kingdom Officer.
3. If the issue involves a territorial baronage, it shall be brought directly to the Crown.
4. If the issue involves the Crown, the Kingdom Seneschal, the Chancellor of the Exchequer or their deputy, it shall be brought directly to the Committee of SCANZ and the SCA Ltd Board, with a copy to the Society Seneschal.
5. The relevant officer must then attempt to arbitrate a resolution.
6. If the relevant officer or a close associate of the officer (e.g. their life partner or SCA student) is involved in the issue, this stage step may be omitted.

10.4.4 Third stage

1. If the issue cannot be resolved at a local level, it shall be brought in writing to the attention of the relevant Kingdom Officer.
2. The relevant officer or their nominated representative must then attempt to arbitrate a resolution.

10.4.5 Unresolved issues

1. If all steps above have been tried and have failed, a formal written complaint may be made to the Kingdom Seneschal.
2. This will be investigated and handled by the Kingdom Seneschal in accordance with relevant SCANZ and SCA Ltd policies.

11 Change log

Kingdom Law was due for a bit of an update due to the changes needed to comply with changes to SCANZ's constitution.

We have made typographical updates for proper nouns, added or removed commas where needed, corrected names of organisations. Numbering updated to decimal. Paragraphs have been broken into individual referencable rules.

More substantial changes are noted below.

11.1 I. (now 1) Definitions

11.1.1 I.2 (now 1.2) Lochac

Was ...In this document, “kingdom” or “the kingdom” shall be understood to mean Lochac.

Now 1.2.2 In this document, “kingdom” or “the kingdom” shall also be understood to mean the Kingdom of Lochac unless clearly noted otherwise.

Functional change None, clarification only

11.1.2 I.4 (now 1.4) Corpora

Was Corpora means the Corpora of the SCA US, one of the governing documents of the SCA US.

Now Corpora means “The Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.”, one of the governing documents of SCA Inc. It contains the policies governing historical re-creation within the SCA globally.

Functional change None

Reason for change Explains the importance of Corpora

11.1.3 I.5 (Now 1.5) Member

Was A member is a subscribing member of the SCA Ltd or SCANZ or a formally affiliated organisation.

Now A member is a subscribing member of SCA Ltd or SCANZ, an event member, or a member of a formally affiliated organisation.

Functional change None

Reason for change We have more types of people that we recognise as members.
We have specified which type of membership is needed where relevant.

11.1.4 I.6 Seneschal

Was Unless specifically stated otherwise Seneschal means the Lochac Kingdom Seneschal.

Now Removed, subsequent rules renumbered

Functional change None, we have specified whether we mean the Kingdom Seneschal or group seneschal as needed throughout Kingdom Law

11.1.5 I.7 Registrar

Was Registrar means the registrar of SCA Ltd or of SCANZ as applicable.

Now Removed. Subsequent rule renumbered

Functional change None.

Reason for change The term did not appear anywhere else in Kingdom Law

11.1.6 I.8 (now 1.6) Pegasus

Was Pegasus is the official newsletter of Lochac, SCA Ltd and SCANZ is Pegasus.

Added 2. In this document, “the kingdom newsletter” shall be understood to mean Pegasus.

Functional change None

Reason for change We variously refer interchangeably to Pegasus and the kingdom newsletter throughout.

11.1.7 I.10 Mail

Was Unless specifically stated otherwise, the term mail includes email and postal mail.

Now Removed. Subsequent rules renumbered

Functional change None

Reason for change The term did not appear anywhere else in Kingdom Law.

11.1.8 I.11 (now 1.8) Official event

Was An official event means an SCA event as defined in the Corpora of the SCA US.

Now An official event means an SCA event as defined in Corpora.

Functional change None

Reason for change Corpora is ours too - It contains the policies governing historical re-creation within the SCA.

11.1.9 I.12 (now 1.9) Steward

Was Steward means the member of the SCA who is the person responsible for an official event.

Now Steward means the subscribing member of the SCA who is the person responsible for an official event.

Functional change None, stewards already have to be subscribing members.

Reason for change Specifying type of membership.

11.1.10 I.13 (now 1.10) Sovereign

Was Sovereign means the contestant of Crown tournament who fought and won, and was subsequently crowned as King or Queen.

Now Sovereign means the contestant of Crown Tournament who won, and was subsequently crowned as King or Queen.

Functional change Allows for non-combat tournament formats in the future.

Reason for change More tournament formats may become available.

11.1.11 I.16 (now 1.13) Royal titles

Added 1.13.2 Crown Prince/Crown Princess The titles "Crown Prince" or "Crown Princess" are reserved for the Royal Heirs.

Functional change None

Reason for change Reservation of these titles wasn't documented here.

11.1.12 I.19 (now 1.16) Governing documents of the SCA

Updated references to SCA Inc. throughout

Was 2. The Constitution of the SCA Ltd and/or the Rules of SCANZ, as applicable.

Now 2. The constitutions of SCA Ltd and/or SCANZ, as applicable.

Functional change None

Reason for change SCANZ now has a constitution, rather than rules of incorporation.

Was 5. The Corpora of the SCA US.

Now 5. Corpora

Functional change None

Reason for change Corpora is ours too - It contains the policies governing historical re-creation within the SCA.

Was 8. Governing documents or written policies of Kingdom Officers, approved by the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal.

Now 8. Governing documents or written policies of Kingdom Officers, approved by the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, and Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.

Functional change Officer handbooks need to be approved by the Board and Committee, as they are ultimately responsible for our activities.

Reason for change Our Board and Committee members need to have approved any risk that they maybe shouldering liability for. Some of our activities may have insurance implications.

11.2 II. (now 2) The Law

11.2.1 II.1 (now 2.1) Precedence of the Law

Was The Order of Precedence of the Law shall be as defined in the governing documents of the SCA.

Now The order of precedence of the Law shall be as defined in Definitions 1.16

Functional change We define our precedence of documents slightly differently than Corpora due to our need for Board/Committee approvals for officer handbooks.

11.2.2 II.3 (now 2.3) Changes to the Law

11.2.2.1 II.3.i (now 2.3.1) Proposed Laws

Was

Proposed laws are any changes or additions proposed for these Laws. The Crown must present all proposed laws to the Seneschal. The Seneschal is required to provide advice to the Crown within 60 days of receiving the proposed law. Once the Seneschal has provided advice to the Crown on the proposed law or the 60 days has expired, the Crown may act to proclaim and publish the law change.

Now

1. Proposed Laws are any changes or additions proposed for these Laws.
2. The Crown must present all proposed Laws to the Kingdom Seneschal.
3. The Kingdom Seneschal will provide advice in a timely manner, and seek the approval of any proposed Law changes from the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ within 60 days.
4. Once the Kingdom Seneschal has provided confirmation of approval, the Crown may act to proclaim and publish the law change.

Functional change Kingdom Law changes must be approved by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ before they can come into effect.

Reason for change Kingdom Law must be consistent with all of the governing documents above it - it must be approved by the Board and Committee as it is officer policy - the Crown being an officer of SCANZ.

11.2.2.2 II.3.ii (now 2.3.2) Proclamation and publication of Law changes

Was Changes to these Laws shall be announced by the Crown at an official event and shall take effect immediately.

Now Changes to these Laws shall be announced by the Crown at an official event and shall take effect immediately as Word of the Crown, and become permanent when published and included in Pegasus.

Functional change Kingdom Law changes become permanent when published and an announcement of the change is published in Pegasus

Reason for change Clarifies that Law changes only have the authority of the Word of the Crown until they are properly published and included in Pegasus.

Was ...In order for the changes to have permanent effect, the Kingdom Seneschal shall publish them as follows within the specified periods from the date of the official announcement:

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- within one month, as a distinct document on the Kingdom website which contains only the changes, and also by incorporation into the current Laws document
 - within one month, via a notification to the announcement email list of the Kingdom which references the above-mentioned changes document on the Kingdom website
 - within three months, a copy of the changes in Pegasus

Pending publication as described above, a Law change officially announced by the Crown may be presumed to continue in effect for up to three months of Their Successor's reign, unless altered by a new Law change.

Laws changes not correctly published within the timeframes described above are automatically rescinded.

Now Removed

Functional change Law changes only have the authority of the Word of the Crown until they are properly published and included in Pegasus.

Reason for change These rules conflicted with the requirements of Corpora IV.F.2 - "Law must be kept current, and all changes thereto must be proclaimed at a Society event and published in the kingdom newsletter. No provision of law shall be in effect, nor shall the subjects of a realm be responsible for such provision, until such proclamation and publication have taken place. "

11.2.3 II.4 (now 2.4) Publication

Was

The current Laws shall be maintained on the Kingdom website by the Kingdom Seneschal and their location shall be published on the home page of the Kingdom website and in each issue of Pegasus.

Documents describing announced changes to Laws shall be maintained and accessible on the Kingdom website for at least ten years after their original publication.

Now

1. The current Laws shall be maintained on the website of the Kingdom Seneschal and their location shall be published on the home page of the kingdom website and in each issue of Pegasus.
2. Documents describing announced changes to Laws shall be maintained and accessible on the Kingdom Seneschal's website for at least ten years after their original publication.

Functional change None

Reason for change The current laws (and change logs) are maintained on sensechal.lochac.sca.org, not lochac.sca.org

11.3 III. (now 3.) The Crown

11.3.1 III.1 (Now 3.1) Eligibility for Crown Tournament

Was Each combatant entering the Crown Tournament, and their consort, must:

Now Each entrant in Crown Tournament, and their consort, must:

Functional change None

Reason for change Updated wording to allow for Crown Tournament formats that are not combat.

Added 3.1.1.a and b and renumbered subsequent rules a. Be acceptable to the Committee of SCANZ and Board of SCA Ltd.

b. Not be disqualified from being an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society under section 47 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

Functional change The Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ must approve entrants in Crown Tournament

Reason for change Changes to New Zealand's Incorporated Societies Act updated the definition of officer of an incorporated society, and the Crown are now officers of SCANZ because they make decisions about SCANZ funds and group activities through their positions on the Council of the Purse.

This means that those applying for the role by entering the tournament must be acceptable to the Committee if they win, and legally able to hold the role of an officer in an incorporated society.

Note that this does not mean you need to be a member of SCANZ, you can be a member of SCA Ltd and still be an officer of SCANZ.

11.3.1.1 III.1.3 (now 3.1.1.e)

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.3.1.2 II.2.v (now 3.2.5) The Regent

Was ... The Regents may not fight or be fought for in the Crown Lists.

Now separated into a separate rule and updated 2. The Regents may not participate as competitor or consort in the Crown Tournament to find the next Crown.

Functional change None

Reason for change Wording update to allow for non-combat Crown selection in the future.

III.2.vi Heading removed Following rules separated and added as 3.2.5.3 and 4

11.3.2 III.3 (now 3.3) Selecting the Crown

Headings have been removed from the rules under this heading.

Added as 3.3.1 The Sovereign is selected by being the winner of Crown Tournament, and the person they were competing for is selected as Consort.

Functional change None

Reason for change Wording added to allow for non-combat Crown selection in the future.

III.3.i Conduct of Combat (now 3.3.3)

Was The conduct of combat, Rules of the Lists, requirements of arms and armour, and rules concerning the use of horses shall be governed by the Conventions of Combat of the Kingdom of Lochac.

Now Combat used for Crown Tournaments must follow the Rules of the Lists, the requirements for arms and armour, and conventions of combat for the Kingdom of Lochac.

Functional change None

Reason for change “Conventions of combat” is a specific section of combat rules that doesn't actually cover requirements for arms and armour. If combat (not specifying type) is used for Crown selection, it's according to our kingdom's rules for that combat.

III.3.ii Tournament Form (now 3.3.2) Heading removed

III.3.iii Standard List (now 3.3.4) Heading removed

Was The standard list for Lochac Crown tournaments is a double elimination list conducted in accordance with the guidelines given in the Kingdom Conventions of Combat.

Now The standard list for Lochac Crown Tournaments is a double elimination tournament, but other lists, such as single elimination or round robin may be chosen.

Functional change Explicitly allows for other tournament formats that we already use

Reason for change The Kingdom Conventions of Combat (presuming the Lochac Fighters Handbook for armoured combat) has no guidelines for double elimination lists. This wording update also allows for non-combat Crown selection in the future.

III.3.iv Entry in Crown lists Heading removed

Was Candidates for the Crown must be eligible as defined in Article III Section 1.

Now Removed as already covered in 3.1 Eligibility for Crown Tournament

III.3.v Opponents (now 3.3.5) Heading removed

Was Each fighter by entering in the Crown Lists, declares willingness to fight all opponents in the Lists.

Now Each competitor, by entering Crown Tournament, declares willingness to face all opponents.

Functional change None

Reason for change Wording update to allow for non-combat Crown selection in the future.

III.3.vi Crown Prince and Princess (now 3.3.6 and 7) Heading removed. Split into two rules

Was The winner of the Crown Tournament, and Their consort, shall bear the titles of Crown Prince and/or Crown Princess of Lochac. Until Their Coronation they shall have only such rights and duties as the Crown assigns to them.

Now 6. The winner of the Crown Tournament and their consort shall be the Royal Heirs, and bear the titles of Crown Prince and/or Crown Princess of Lochac.
7. Until their Coronation they shall have only such rights and duties as the Crown assigns to them.

Functional change None

Reason for change Previous rule didn't state that they become the Royal Heirs, which is a term used elsewhere in Kingdom Law.

III.3.vii Champion and Lord or Lady of Lochac (now 3.3.8) Heading removed

Was The highest-ranked fighter in the Crown Tournament who is not the Crown or Consort shall bear the title of Champion of Lochac and their consort shall be called Lord or Lady of Lochac, for the duration of the reign of the winner of this Tournament.

Now The highest-ranked competitor in the Crown Tournament who is not the Crown or Consort shall bear the title of Champion of Lochac and their consort shall be called Lord or Lady of Lochac, for the duration of the reign of the winner of this tournament.

Functional change None

Reason for change Wording update to allow for non-combat Crown selection in the future.

11.3.3 III.4 (now 3.4) Coronation

III.4.1 Heading removed

11.3.4 III.5 (now 3.5) Crown Travel Fund

Was The Crown Travel Fund will reimburse the Crown's travel expenses up to an amount to be specified from time to time by the Council of the Purse. Such reimbursement will be made upon presentation of receipts to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Details of the current policy can be found on the Exchequer's website.

Now separated into 3 rules

1. The Crown Travel Fund will reimburse the Crown's travel expenses up to an amount to be specified from time to time by the Council of the Purse.
2. Such reimbursement will be made upon presentation of receipts to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.
3. Details of the current policy can be found on the Chancellor of the Exchequer's website (reeve.lochac.sca.org/policies)

Functional change None

Reason for change 3 referenceable rules. Updated title of officer, added link to where policy can be found.

11.4 VI (now 4.) Officers

Added heading for Kingdom Officers

11.4.1 Was IV.1.i Greater Officers (now 4.1.1 Great Officers)

Great Officers in the term used in Corpora. This has been updated throughout Kingdom Law

Was There shall be ten Great Officers in Lochac. They shall be: the Seneschal; the Crux Australis Herald; the Earl Marshal; the Minister of Arts and Sciences; the Chancellor of the Exchequer; the Chronicler; the Chirurgeon; the Hospitaller; the Constable; and the DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity) Officer.

Now There shall be seven Great Officers in Lochac. They shall be:

1. the Kingdom Seneschal
2. the Crux Australis Herald
3. the Earl Marshal
4. the Minister of Arts and Sciences
5. the Chancellor of the Exchequer
6. the Kingdom Chronicler
7. the Kingdom Chatelaine

Functional change Proposed removal of the Kingdom Chirurgeon as a Kingdom Office.

Proposed removal of the Kingdom Constable as a Kingdom Office.

Removal of the Kingdom DEI Officer as a Kingdom Office.

Name change from Kingdom Hospitaller to Kingdom Chateleine.

Reason for change All Great Officers have a Society-level counterpart, except Chirurgeon and Constable.

Chirurgeon: The Society Chirurgeonate was closed down in 2015. Anyone providing first aid or other medical support at an event does so under their mundane qualifications and scope of practice, as has been Lochac's policy since 2013. Event first aid is often coordinated locally, and the Kingdom Chirurgeon is usually not present to supervise. Waterbearing in any official capacity is currently prohibited by Corpora. Reporting of injuries and medical events needs to go through the relevant officer - martial injuries through the marshallate (the marshallate injury procedures make no mention of the Kingdom Chirurgeon), other event injuries through the steward, and ultimately to the Board and Committee. Medical information being as private as it is, the fewer people who receive it, the better.

Constable: The Kingdom Constable isn't at all events, so can't be responsible for order and security at them. The other role provided for is a SCA Ltd function, not a kingdom one. The group office seems to end up being a lost and found repository. Health and safety at events primarily sits with the event steward.

DEI officer: This office is of sufficient importance that we have made it a corporate role, rather than kingdom. This elevates it above being held to any requirements imposed by the US, which may not be appropriate for the New Zealand or Australian cultural contexts. We are exempt from this Corpora requirement by our organisation constitutions.

Hospitaller: The name of this role has been changed in Corpora.

11.4.2 IV.1.iii (now 4.1.3) Term of office

Was The normal term of office for a Kingdom Officer shall be two years. This term shall only be extended in exceptional circumstances. No Officer may serve for more than four years consecutively.

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- Now** 1. The normal term of office for a Kingdom Officer shall be two years.
2. This term shall only be extended in exceptional circumstances.
3. No Kingdom Officer may serve for more than four years consecutively.

Functional change Clarified that the 4 year limit is for Kingdom Officers.

Reason for change Wasn't clear that this rule was just about Kingdom Officers when the next rule was about baronial offices.

11.4.2.1 IV.1.v Required officers (Baronies)

Moved to Section 4.2.1 as this section is about Kingdom Officers.

11.4.2.2 IV.1.Vi Required officers (All other groups, excluding Hamlets)

Moved to Section 4.2.2 as this section is about Kingdom Officers.

11.4.3 IV.2 Responsibilities (now 4.1.4 Responsibilities of Kingdom Officers)

Moved up to make it clear that it's for Kingdom Officers, not group officers

11.4.3.1 IV.2.ii (now 4.1.4.2) Documentation of the office

Was As part of their responsibility to the administration of the Kingdom, the Greater and Lesser Officers shall produce and/or maintain governing documents or written policies of their office (which shall include an office Statement of Responsibilities) and seek approval of both the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal for any changes to the governing documents or written policies of their office.

Now As part of their responsibility to the administration of the kingdom, the Great and Lesser Officers shall produce and/or maintain written policies of their office, and seek approval of the Crown, the Kingdom Seneschal, and the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ for any changes to the written policies of their office.

Functional change Removed mention of governing documents as things for Kingdom Officers to produce as that refers to Corpora, the constitutions and corporate policies of the orgs.

Removed mention of a Statement of Responsibilities as no one knew what it was.

Officer policies must also be approved by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ as they are ultimately responsible.

Reason for change Officer policies, such as combat handbooks can incur real world liabilities for the organisations, so they need provide informed consent.

11.4.3.2 IV.2.iv (now 4.1.4.4) Deputies

Added as 4.1.4.4.2 Emergency replacement deputies must be approved in the same manner as the office holder.

Functional change Emergency replacement deputies are appointed by the same process as the officer.

Reason for change Some of the appointment processes for Kingdom Officers are now different as they are now officers of SCANZ. As the emergency replacement deputy may need to step in at any time, they must be as acceptable to the same people who appointed the officer.

11.4.4 IV.4 (now 4.4) Appointment of officers

11.4.4.1 IV.4.1 Warrants (Now 4.4.1 Appointment of Kingdom Officers)

Was Appointment to and removal from all Offices at all levels shall be according to the procedures established for warrants or for official rosters, as provided by the governing documents of the SCA.

- Now**
1. The Kingdom Seneschal is appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.
 2. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.
 - a. The Deputy Exchequer for New Zealand or Australia is also appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ.
 3. The Crux Australis Herald, Earl Marshal, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Kingdom Chronicler, Kingdom Chatelaine, Provost of the College of Scribes and the Kingdom Historian are appointed by the Crown, in consultation with the Kingdom Seneschal and the outgoing officer.
 4. The Keeper of the Regalia and the Kingdom Web Minister are appointed by the Kingdom Seneschal in consultation with the outgoing officer.
 5. Emergency replacement deputies for all Kingdom Officers are appointed the same way as the substantive office holder.

Functional change

Lochac does not warrant Kingdom Officers according to the processes set out in Corpora.

Reason for change

Some Kingdom officers are appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ, others by the Crown, and others by the Kingdom Seneschal.

11.4.4.2 4.4.2 Appointment of group officers

Added and subsequent rules renumbered

1. Group seneschals are appointed by the Kingdom Seneschal in consultation with the outgoing officer.
2. Group reeves are appointed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer or relevant Deputy Exchequer for that country in consultation with the group seneschal and the outgoing officer.
3. Other group officers are appointed by the relevant Kingdom Officer, in consultation with the group seneschal and the outgoing officer.
4. Emergency replacement deputies for all group officers are appointed the same way as the substantive office holder.

Functional change The Crown is not included in the appointment process for group officers.

Reason for change Lochac does not warrant group officers according to the processes set out in Corpora.

11.4.4.3 IV.4.ii (now 4.4.3) Removal of an officer

Was With sufficient evidence that an Officer is not fulfilling the duties of that Office, the Crown and the Seneschal may remove and replace that officer.

Now With sufficient evidence that an officer is not fulfilling the duties of that office, the relevant appointing authority may remove and replace that officer.

Functional change The roles that appointed the officer have the authority to remove an officer that is not fulfilling their duties.

Reason for change Different appointing authorities for different officers. It follows that if they can appoint them, they can also remove them.

11.4.4.4 IV.4.iii (now 4.4.4) Suspension of an officer

Was An officer may be suspended by the Crown for failing to comply with the Laws referring to their office, as detailed under Article IV Sections 2, 3, 5 and 6. The duties of a suspended officer shall be performed by that officer's deputy for the duration of the reign. If there is no rostered deputy then the duties of a suspended officer shall be performed by the Seneschal.

Now

1. An officer may be suspended by the relevant appointing authority for failing to comply with the requirements of their office, or while holding an incompatible role temporarily (e.g. Crown).

2. The duties of a suspended officer shall be performed by that officer's appointed deputy for the duration of the suspension.

3. If there is no appointed deputy, then the duties of a suspended officer shall be performed by the seneschal at the relevant level, i.e. group or kingdom.

Functional change Unless the Crown is one of the appointing roles, they are no longer involved in suspensions, unless that suspension was triggered by other Crown action.

An officer may need to hand over to their appointed deputy as they are temporarily ineligible to hold the role - eg while they are Crown, they can hold no other office.

Reason for change Some officers are not appointed by the Crown (because we don't warrant them).

Requirements for officers are found in a variety of documents and policies, including officer handbooks.

Previous definition indicated the Kingdom Seneschal where it said Seneschal.... The Kingdom Seneschal doesn't want to pick up the work of a shire's herald.

11.4.5 IV.5 Duties of officers (now 4.1.5 Duties of Kingdom Officers)

Moved from being IV.5 into the section on Kingdom Officers. All paragraphs given numbering. References to the Seneschal updated to be Kingdom Seneschal.

11.4.5.1 IV5.i The Seneschal (now 4.1.5.1 Kingdom Seneschal)

Was The Seneschal is the chief administrative officer of the Kingdom and shall:

Now The Kingdom Seneschal is responsible for coordinating the administration of the kingdom's recreation activities, which includes coordinating the other Kingdom Officers as required for the smooth operation of the kingdom.

Functional change None

Reason for change More closely aligning with the wording in Corpora to highlight their role in coordinating the other Kingdom Officers.

Was 1. Serve as the principal mundane legal representative of the SCA within Lochac.

Now Removed and subsequent rules renumbered

Functional change None

Reason for change Due to the organisational structure of SCANZ and SCA Ltd, the Kingdom Seneschal has less to do with interface with mundane outside agencies than they might in SCA Inc kingdoms where they are Regional Vice-Presidents of SCA Inc with responsibility for legal matters.

Added as 4.1.5.1.2 and subsequent rules renumbered The Kingdom Seneschal is responsible for assisting new branches and for branch elevations.

Functional change None

Reason for change This is one of the responsibilities of the Kingdom Seneschal in Corpora.

Added as 4.1.5.1.3.f 3. The Kingdom Seneschal shall:

f. Support the Crown with processing proposed changes to Kingdom Law, and inform the Society Seneschal and the SCA Inc Board ombudsman for the kingdom of approved changes.

Functional change This rule accounts for the different procedures for processing Kingdom Law changes in Lochac. Also a reminder to the Kingdom Seneschal that they must inform SCA Inc.

Reason for change This is one of the responsibilities of the Kingdom Seneschal in Corpora.

Was IV.5.i.6 Ensure that details of upcoming Crown events, attendance at which is required for the winners of the next Crown Tourney (as defined in Corpora IV.C.2), are properly published via the Kingdom's normal publishing processes, including appearing in Pegasus at least one month before that Crown Tourney takes place.

Now 4.1.5.1.1.e Ensure that details of upcoming Crown events, attendance at which is required for the winners of the next Crown Tournament (as defined in Corpora IV - Royalty), are properly published via the kingdom's normal publishing processes, including appearing in Pegasus at least one month before that Crown Tournament takes place.

Functional change None

Reason for change Corpora is edited on a relatively frequent basis, so explicit paragraph references can become out of date.

11.4.5.2 IV.5.ii (now 4.1.5.2) Crux Australis Herald

Was Crux Australis Herald is the principal heraldic officer of the Crown, and the Head of the College of Heralds in Lochac, and shall be responsible for:

1. Providing the Crown's voice at events.
2. The registration of names and armoury.
3. The maintenance of the Order of Precedence of Lochac.
4. The providing of new ceremony.
5. The devising of new protocol for Lochac subject to the Crown's approval.

Now Crux Australis Herald is the principal heraldic officer of the Crown, and the head of the College of Heralds in Lochac, and shall be responsible for:

1. Provision of the Crown's voice at events.
2. Registration of names and armoury.

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3. Maintenance of the Order of Precedence of Lochac.
 4. Provision of new ceremony.
 5. Devising of new protocol for Lochac subject to the Crown's approval.

Functional change None, makes it clearer that they are responsible for the action occurring, not necessarily doing it themselves.

Reason for change Crux isn't at all Crown Events, and they have other people to assist them.

11.4.5.3 IV.5.iii (now 4.1.5.3) Earl Marshal

Paragraphs numbered for referencing

Was ...Development of the new combat standards of the Kingdom as required.

Now Development of combat conventions for the kingdom, as required.

Functional change None, we refer to construction and use of weapons and armour later.

Reason for change We can develop existing conventions further too.

Was The Earl Marshal, in consultation with the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, shall appoint deputies in the areas of Keeper of the Lists, Fencing, Archery, Equestrian and Armoured to perform duties in respect of the Marshallate. Further deputies with specific duties may be appointed by the Earl Marshal, in consultation with the Crown. The Earl Marshal may subsume one or more of these roles into their own office should they so desire. The Earl Marshal shall be a rostered marshal in the Kingdom.

- Now**
2. The Earl Marshal, in consultation with the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, shall appoint deputies in the areas of Keeper of the Lists, Fencing, Archery, Equestrian and Armoured Combat to perform duties in respect of the marshallate.
 3. Further deputies with specific duties may be appointed by the Earl Marshal, in consultation with the Crown.
 4. The Earl Marshal must appoint deputies for any of the disciplines they are not themselves an authorising marshal for. The Earl Marshal may subsume one or more of these roles into their own office, if they are qualified to do so, and so desire.
 5. The Earl Marshal must be an authorising marshal in the kingdom in at least one of the following fields: armoured combat, rapier, equestrian.

Functional change The Earl Marshal must now have deputies for any discipline that they are not qualified as an authorising marshal for.

The Earl Marshal must be an authorising marshal for one of the combat disciplines, not just a marshal to be qualified to be appointed to the role.

Authorising marshal requires a higher level of engagement with systems and processes, and the combat activities are more complex. This matches the requirement in the marshal handbooks.

Reason for change Update at Society level means that you cannot make decisions that require subject matter expertise for disciplines you aren't qualified in. For roles that include multi-discipline responsibility and accountability (e.g. Kingdom Earl Marshal): You should verify and document whether the correct procedures have been followed to manage any issues, that the appropriate subject matter experts were involved and actions are justified, and direct any further appeal (if applicable) to the next person in the chain of command.

Appointing deputies for all the disciplines provides that pool of subject matter expertise at the highest level.

11.4.5.4 IV.5.iv (Now 4.1.5.4) Minister of Arts and Sciences

Was The Minister of Arts and Sciences shall be responsible for:

1. The encouragement of Period Arts and Sciences in Lochac.
2. Conducting the Annual Lochac Arts and Sciences Competition.

Now The Minister of Arts and Sciences shall be responsible for:

1. Encouraging period arts and sciences in Lochac.
2. Organising the annual Lochac Arts and Sciences Competition.

Functional change Makes it clearer that they don't need to conduct the competition, just ensure that it occurs. They do need to be encouraging though!

11.4.5.5 IV.5.v (Now 4.1.5.5) Chancellor of the Exchequer

Was The Chancellor of the Exchequer is the chief financial officer of the Kingdom, and shall be responsible for:

Now The Chancellor of the Exchequer is responsible for:

Functional change Removing the term chief financial officer to avoid confusion with the role of the corporate treasurers.

Added and subsequent rules renumbered Coordinating the financial administration of funds for the Kingdom of Lochac and its branches.

Was Maintaining the records of the assets of Lochac.

Now Removed

Functional change Asset records are the responsibility of the corporate treasurers.

Reason for change The assets are owned by the mundane legal entities so this is the responsibility of the respective corporate treasurers.

Was The Chancellor of the Exchequer must appoint a deputy to represent them for either Australia or New Zealand (whichever country they are not a resident in). This deputy shall be responsible for managing the Kingdom finances in their respective country.

Now A deputy must also be appointed to to represent them for either Australia or New Zealand (whichever country they are not a resident in)

This deputy shall be responsible for:

1. Managing the kingdom finances in their respective country.
2. Sitting on the Council of the Purse.

Functional change The Deputy is not appointed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. They are appointed by the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ as they are also SCANZ officers, because they sit on the Council of the Purse.

Reason for change Requirements of SCANZ constitution.

11.4.5.6 IV.5.vi The Chronicler (now 4.1.5.6 Kingdom Chronicler)

Was The Chronicler is responsible for:

1. The monthly publication and distribution of the official newsletter Pegasus for receipt by members before the first full weekend of the month.
2. For the accounting of the Corporate Stipend and other Kingdom newsletter income, reporting such income and expenditures to the SCA Treasurers.

Now The Kingdom Chronicler is responsible for the monthly publication and distribution of the official newsletter Pegasus for receipt by members before the first full weekend of the month.

Functional change Accounting for the stipend and newsletter income is no longer required.

Reason for change Since Pegasus is managed entirely electronically, there are no funds to manage. Any requests for money would be via the Council of the Purse or directly to the corporate treasurers.

11.4.5.7 IV.5.vii The Chirurgeon

Was The Chirurgeon is the chief first aid officer of the Kingdom, and shall be responsible for:

1. Advising the Earl Marshal on health related issues.
2. Supervising those Chirurgeons-At-Large and water bearers who provide first aid at any event within Lochac, excepting mundane authorities.

Now Proposed for removal, following rules renumbered

Reason for change The Society Chirurgeonate was closed down in 2015. Anyone providing first aid or other medical support at an event does so under their mundane qualifications and scope of practice, as has been Lochac's policy since 2013.

Event first aid is often coordinated locally, and the Kingdom Chirurgeon is usually not present to supervise.

Waterbearing in any official capacity is currently prohibited by Corpora.

Reporting of injuries and medical events needs to go through the relevant officer - martial injuries through the marshallate (the marshallate injury procedures make no mention of the Kingdom Chirurgeon), other event injuries through the steward, and ultimately to the Board and Committee.

Medical information being as private as it is, the fewer people who receive it, the better.

11.4.5.8 IV.5.viii The Constable

Was The Constable is the safety officer of the Kingdom, and shall be responsible for:

1. The maintenance of order and security amongst the people at events.
2. Providing Constabulary related documents as are required by the SCA Ltd and filing these, as required.

Now Proposed for removal, following rules renumbered

Reason for change The Kingdom Constable isn't at all events, so can't be responsible for order and security at them.

The other role provided for is a SCA Ltd function, not a kingdom one.

The group office seems to end up being a lost and found repository.

Health and safety at events primarily sits with the event steward.

11.4.5.9 IV.5.ix The Hospitaller (now 4.1.5.7 Kingdom Chatelaine)

Update of name to match Corpora change.

Was The Hospitaller is the bridge between newcomers and the SCA for the Kingdom, and shall be responsible for:

1. Welcoming newcomers at events and answering their questions.
2. Coordinating public and media relations and encouraging the growth and integration of the Kingdom.
3. Maintaining communications with, and providing resources for, group Hospitallers.

Now The Kingdom Chatelaine is the bridge between newcomers and the SCA for the kingdom, and shall be responsible for:

1. Coordinating public and media relations and encouraging the growth and integration of the kingdom.

2. Maintaining communications with, and providing resources for, group chatelaines to ensure that newcomers feel welcome at events.

Functional change The Kingdom Chatelaine is not personally responsible for welcoming newcomers at events.

Reason for change Lochac is huge, they are not at all events. They have people for that.

11.4.5.10 IV.5.x The Provost of Scribes (now 4.1.5.8 The Provost of the College of Scribes)

Formatting change & heading update to match title of officer

Was The Provost of the College of Scribes shall co-ordinate the production of such scrolls as may be directed by the Crown, and as may pertain to the Lochac Kingdom awards; and shall provide such other documents as the Crown may require.

Now The Provost of the College of Scribes shall be responsible for:

1. Co-ordinating the production of such scrolls as may be directed by the Crown, and as may pertain to the Lochac kingdom awards
2. Provision of such other documents as the Crown may require.

Reason for change Standardised formatting, and to reflect that the Kingdom Officer does not need to do it personally.

11.4.5.11 IV.5.xii The Historian (now 4.1.5.10 Kingdom Historian)

Was The Historian shall collect and compile materials relating to the history of Lochac and shall compose a chronicle of this history to be available to the people of Lochac.

Now The Kingdom Historian shall collect and compile materials relating to the history of Lochac and shall compose a chronicle of this history to be available to the people of Lochac.

Reason for change Consistent naming convention for Kingdom Officers to avoid confusion with group equivalents.

11.4.5.12 IV.5.xiii The Web Minister (now 4.1.5.11 Kingdom Web Minister)

Was The Web Minister shall serve under the Seneschal and shall be responsible for the maintenance and updating of the Kingdom Website.

Now The Kingdom Web Minister shall serve under the Kingdom Seneschal and shall be responsible for the maintenance and updating of the kingdom website.

Reason for change Consistent naming convention for Kingdom Officers to avoid confusion with group equivalents.

11.4.6 4.2 Group Officers

New heading to add distinction from Kingdom Officer requirements.

11.4.6.1 4.2.1 Baronies

Was IV.1.iv Required Offices (Baronies) Baronies are required to have seven officers. They shall be the Seneschal, the Reeve, the Herald, the Marshal, the Arts and Sciences Minister, the Chronicler, and the Hospitaller.

Now Baronies are required to have at least seven officers. The required offices shall be:

1. Seneschal
2. Reeve
3. Herald
4. Marshal (of any discipline)
5. Arts and Sciences Minister
6. Chronicler
7. Chatelaine.

Functional change Baronies are allowed more than seven officers.

Clarification from Society Marshal that this is just one marshal capable of running a martial activity of any flavour, could be a target archery marshal.

Reason for change Baronies often have more than seven officers.

Groups need to be able to do martial things, so need at least one marshal due to the requirements of needing an authorised marshal to run the activity.

11.4.6.2 4.2.2 All other groups, excluding hamlets

Was IV.1.v Required Offices (All other groups, excluding Hamlets) All other groups are required to have three officers. They shall be the Seneschal, the Reeve, and one of Marshal, Arts and Sciences Minister, or Herald.

Now All other groups are required to have at least three officers. The required offices shall be:

1. Seneschal
2. Reeve
3. one of Herald, Marshal (of any discipline), or Arts and Sciences Minister.

Functional change Clarification from Society Marshal that this is just one marshal capable of running a martial activity of any flavour, could be a target archery marshal.

Reason for change Groups need to be able to do martial things, so need at least one marshal due to the requirements of needing an authorised marshal to run the activity.

11.4.6.3 4.2.3 Term of office

Added 1. The normal term of office for a group officer shall be two years.

2. This term shall only be extended in exceptional circumstances.

3. No group officer may serve for more than four years consecutively.

Functional change Group officers have the same term limits as Kingdom Officers

Reason for change Prevent officer burn out and allow opportunity for others to have a go.

11.4.6.4 4.2.4 Duties of group officers

New 1. The duties of group officers closely mirror those of their kingdom-level counterparts, but at the group level.

2. The duties are laid out in the officer handbooks and policies for each office.

Functional change None

Reason for change The duties were implied by the section on the duties that were Kingdom Officers', but not clear as that list referred to Kingdom Officers.

11.4.7 IV.3 (now 4.3) Reporting

Was IV.3.i Written Reports The reporting schedule of all officers throughout the Kingdom shall be as follows:

1. The Kingdom Seneschal shall report quarterly, by the 1st of March, June, September, and December.

2. The Kingdom Exchequer shall report quarterly as required by SCA Ltd and SCANZ requirements, also taking into account the annual reporting dates specified in Article VII of these laws.

3. Other Kingdom Officers shall report quarterly, by the 15th of February, May, August, and November.

4. Reeves shall send a report to the Chancellor of the Exchequer quarterly, by the 15th of January, April, July, and October.

5. Seneschals of Baronies and Shires shall report quarterly, by the 15th of February, May, August, and November.

6. Other officers of Baronies and Shires shall report quarterly, by the 1st of February, May, August, and November.

7. Seneschals of Incipient Groups, Colleges and Cantons shall report quarterly, by the 15th of January, April, July and October.

8. Other officers of Colleges and Cantons shall report quarterly, by the 1st of January, April, July and October.

Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Crown or relevant Kingdom Officer to suspend that Officer, or to remove that Officer from office.

Now

1. The reporting schedule of all officers throughout the kingdom shall be as follows:

a. The Kingdom Seneschal shall report quarterly, by the 1st of March, June, September, and December, to the Society Seneschal, the Lochac Ombudman, the Crown, the Heirs, Board of SCA Ltd, and committee of SCANZ.

b. The Chancellor of the Exchequer shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal quarterly as required by SCA Ltd and SCANZ, also taking into account the annual reporting dates specified in section 7 (Finances) of Kingdom Law.

c. Other Kingdom Officers shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal, and their Society equivalent officer (where applicable) quarterly, by the 15th of February, May, August, and November.

d. Reeves shall send a report to the Chancellor of the Exchequer or the relevant deputy exchequer quarterly, by the 15th of January, April, July, and October.

e. Seneschals of baronies and shires shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal quarterly, by the 15th of February, May, August, and November

f. Other officers of baronies and shires shall report to their local seneschal quarterly, by the 1st of February, May, August, and November.

g. Seneschals of incipient groups, colleges and cantons shall report to the Kingdom Seneschal or their local seneschal (as applicable) quarterly, by the 15th of January, April, July and October.

h. Other officers of colleges and cantons shall report to their seneschal quarterly, by the 1st of January, April, July and October.

2. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the officer to be suspended or removed from office.

Functional change

Clarified where reports must be sent.

Suspension and removal rule updated to reflect that there are various roles that appoint officers, not just Crown and Kingdom Officers.

11.4.7.1 IV.3.ii Rosters

Was Each Great and Lesser Officer shall submit a roster of local officers and their deputies to the Crown upon request. Failure to so submit within four weeks without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Crown to suspend that Officer for that reign, or to remove that officer from Office.

Now Removed

Functional change Kingdom Officers are not required to keep rosters of local officers or deputies.

Reason for change This information is available in Regnumator, our database that tracks all officer appointments.

11.4.7.2 IV.3.iii Financial Reports

Was Each Great and Lesser Officer in Australia shall, by the 31st of January each year, provide a financial report to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for Australia, for the previous Australian financial year. Each Great and Lesser Officer in New Zealand shall, by the 30th of April each year, provide a financial report to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for New Zealand, for the previous New Zealand financial year.

Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Crown to suspend that Officer for that reign, or to remove that officer from Office. At the time a new Kingdom Officer is appointed, the outgoing Officer shall prepare a financial report for that Office. Both the outgoing and incoming Officers are to sign that report and a copy is to be sent to the Exchequer.

Now Removed

Functional change Kingdom Officers do not need to prepare financial reports

Reason for change Kingdom Officers outside of the Chancellor of the Exchequer and their deputies have no funds to manage. All financial matters for Kingdom Officers are managed by the Council of the Purse.

11.4.8 IV.6 (Now 4.5) Requirements of holding office

11.4.8.1 IV.6.i (Now 4.5.1) Conflict of interest

Was No person may hold more than one Kingdom Office excepting as noted under the Earl Marshal's office.

No corporate officer of the SCA may hold any Greater Kingdom Office. The Crown shall hold no other office in Lochac, or its subsidiary groups, during their reign. Offices normally held by them shall be filled by their Deputies, or such other persons as they may appoint for the duration of their reign.

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- Now** 1. No person may hold more than one Kingdom Office excepting as noted under the Earl Marshal's office.
2. No corporate officer of the SCA may hold any Great Office.
3. The Crown shall hold no other office in Lochac, or its subsidiary groups, during their reign.
- a. Offices normally held by them shall be filled by their deputies, or such other persons as may be appointed for the duration of their reign.

Functional change Updated to account for differing appointment processes.

Reason for change Separated rules. Updated name of Great Offices to match Corpora
Updated to account for differing appointment processes.

11.4.8.2 IV.6.ii Kingdom Officers may not be Local Seneschals or Reeves

Heading removed, now 4.5.1.4, as was also a rule about conflict of interest.

11.4.8.3 IV.6.iii (now 4.5.2) Membership

Was All Officers - including Greater and Lesser Kingdom Officers and all local officers - must be members of the SCA. Officers shall maintain their membership throughout their tenure.

- Now** 1. All officers - including Great and Lesser Officers and all local officers - must be members of the SCA.
2. Officers shall maintain their membership throughout their tenure.

Functional change None

Reason for change Separate rules for referencing.
Match naming convention with Corpora.

11.4.8.4 IV.6.iv (now 4.5.3) Residence

Was All Kingdom Officers shall reside in Lochac, and shall have resided in Lochac for at least the six months prior to taking office.

Now All officers shall reside in Lochac, and shall have resided in Lochac for at least the six months prior to taking office.

Functional change All officers, not just Kingdom Officers have a residence requirement.

Reason for change Consistency.

Added 4.5.3.2-3 2. The following officers must have resided in Lochac for at least 1 year prior to taking office:

- a. Kingdom Seneschal
- b. Chancellor of the Exchequer and their deputy
- c. Seneschals of New Zealand groups
- d. Reeves of New Zealand group.

3. As they may need to step into the role as officer at any point, the emergency replacement deputies also need to meet these requirements.

Functional change

1 year residency requirement for some roles

Reason for change

Requirement of SCANZ constitution. As they may need to step into the role as officer at any point, the emergency replacement deputies also need to meet these requirements.

11.4.8.5 4.5.4 Other eligibility

New 1. The following officers are also officers of SCANZ, and must meet the eligibility requirements for being an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society:

- a. The Kingdom Seneschal (regardless of residence or membership)
- b. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Deputy Exchequers for New Zealand and Australia (regardless of residence or membership)
- c. Seneschals of New Zealand groups
- d. Reeves of New Zealand groups.

2. As they may need to step into the role as officer at any point, the emergency replacement deputies also need to meet these requirements.

Functional change

These roles must not be disqualified from being an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society under s47 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022

Reason for change

Requirement of SCANZ constitution. Since the office has these requirements, the emergency replacement deputies must also meet the requirements as they may need to step in.

11.4.9 IV.7 (now 4.6) Territorial baronages

11.4.9.1 IV.7.i (Now 4.6.1) Appointment

Was The Crown shall appoint as Baronage those individual(s) deemed most fit to represent the Royal presence in the Barony. The Crown shall give consideration

to the wishes of the populace of the barony and the advice of the reigning Baronage before making such an appointment.

Now 1. The Crown shall appoint as baronage those individual(s) deemed most fit to represent the royal presence in the barony.

2. The Crown shall give consideration to the wishes of the populace of the barony and the advice of the reigning baronage before making such an appointment.

3. Territorial baronages of New Zealand baronies are officers of SCANZ and must be eligible to be an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society.

Functional change Territorial baronages of New Zealand baronies are now officers of SCANZ and must be eligible to be an officer of a New Zealand incorporated society.

Reason for change Requirement of NZ legislation and SCANZ constitution.

11.4.9.2 IV.7.iii (Now 4.6.3) Membership

Was Landed Baronages must be members of SCA Ltd or SCA NZ for the duration of Their tenure.

Now Territorial baronages must be members of SCA Ltd or SCANZ for the duration of their tenure.

Functional change None

Reason for change Consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law.

11.4.9.3 IV.7.iv Reporting

Was The baronial reporting schedule will be annual as follows:

- March Crown; Innilgard, Ynys Fawr, Mordenvale, Krae Glas.
- May Coronation; Stormhold, Saint-Florian-de-la-rivière, Southron Gaard, Rowany, River Haven.
- September Crown; Politarchopolis, Aneala, Ildhafn.

The verbal reports given in Court should be brief and informative.

Now Removed

Functional change Baronial reporting in court not required

Reason for change Not necessary. Court theatre can always be provided from baronies without requiring it in Kingdom Law.

11.5 VI. (Now 6) Awards

11.5.1 VI.1 Awards

Removed heading level and renumbered subsequent rules

11.5.2 VI.1.i (now 6.1) Source of awards

Sentences separated into referenceable rules.

11.5.3 VI.1.ii (nor 6.2) Publication of awards

Separate sentences into referenceable rules.

Was ...It is the responsibility of the Crown giving Arms or other awards, to notify both the Crux Australis Herald and the Chronicler of the award, the date given, and the full name of the recipient within three months....

Now 2. It is the responsibility of the Crown giving arms or other awards, to notify both the Crux Australis Herald and the Kingdom Chronicler of the award, the date given, and the full name of the recipient within three months.

Reason for change Updated Kingdom Officer name.

11.5.4 VI.1.iii (Now 6.3) Signatures

Was The signatures of the Crown shall not be forged on any scroll or other document without express permission of the Crown.

Signatures of previous Crowns may be forged on award scrolls after the end of Their reign, provided the signatures used are based on that used by that Crown during Their reign. For this purpose, a copy of the Crown's reign signature must be sent to the Provost of the College of Scribes during each reign, or supplied on request if Their reign has already ended.

Any former Kingdom or Principality Royalty who are not readily contactable or who do not supply a reign signature on request may have Their name written at the bottom of an award scroll by the Provost of Scribes or the Provost's delegate.

Now 1. The signatures of the Crown shall not be forged on any scroll or other document without express permission of the Crown.

2. Signatures of previous Crowns may be forged on award scrolls after the end of their reign, provided the signatures used are based on that used by that Crown during their reign.

a. For this purpose, a copy of the Crown's reign signature must be sent to the Provost of the College of Scribes during each reign, or supplied on request if their reign has already ended.

b. Any former kingdom or principality royalty who are not readily contactable or who do not supply a reign signature on request may have their name written at the bottom of an award scroll by the Provost of the College of Scribes or the Provost's delegate.

Reason for change Referenceable rules and updated Kingdom Officer name.

11.5.5 VI.2 (Now 6.4) Order of precedence

Was The Order of Precedence within Lochac is as follows:

1. The Crown of Lochac
2. The Royal Heirs of Lochac
3. Current Territorial Baronages, according to date of creation of the Barony:
Rowany / Innilgard / River Haven / Aneala / Stormhold / Ynys Fawr /
Politarchopolis / Southron Gaard / Saint-Florian-de-la-rivière / Ildhafn /
Mordenvale / Krae Glas
4. Current Greater Officers of State: Seneschal / Crux Australis Herald / Earl Marshal / Minister of Arts and Sciences / Chancellor of the Exchequer / Chronicler / Chirurgeon / Constable
5. Dukes and Duchesses
6. Counts and Countesses
7. Viscounts and Viscountesses
8. Peers of the Realm
9. Companions of the Order of the White Scarf and the Lochac Company of Archers
10. Companions of the Orders of Distinction, conferring a Grant of Arms, and those bearers of a Grant of Arms without membership in an Order of Distinction
11. Court Barons and Baronesses
12. Members of the armigerous Orders of Achievement
13. Those members of the populace holding an Award of Arms

Rank within the Orders is determined solely by the date the award was given. For the territorial rulers, precedence is determined by the date of inauguration of the Territory to its current Group level.

As per Section VI.12 [Immigrant Arms], precedence-bearing awards from other Kingdoms carry an identical position of Precedence to the corresponding Lochac award.

Awards granted to a branch, guild or other organised group that carry precedence do not convey that precedence onto the individual members of that group.

Now

1. The order of precedence within Lochac is as follows:

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- a. The Crown of Lochac
 - b. The Royal Heirs of Lochac
 - c. Current territorial baronages, according to date of creation of the barony:
 - i. Rowany
 - ii. Innilgard
 - iii. River Haven
 - iv. Aneala
 - v. Stormhold
 - vi. Ynys Fawr
 - vii. Politarchopolis
 - viii. Southron Gaard
 - ix. Saint-Florian-de-la-rivière
 - x. Ildhafn
 - xi. Mordenvale
 - xii. Krae Glas
 - d. Current Great Officers of State:
 - i. Kingdom Seneschal
 - ii. Crux Australis Herald
 - iii. Earl Marshal
 - iv. Minister of Arts and Sciences
 - v. Chancellor of the Exchequer
 - vi. Kingdom Chronicler
 - vii. Kingdom Chatelaine
 - e. Dukes and Duchesses
 - f. Counts and Countesses
 - g. Viscounts and Viscountesses
 - h. Peers of the Realm
 - i. Companions of the Order of the White Scarf and the Lochac Company of Archers
 - j. Companions of the orders of distinction, conferring a grant of arms, and those bearers of a grant of arms without membership in an order of distinction
 - k. Court Barons and Baronesses
 - l. Members of the armigerous orders of achievement
 - m. Those members of the populace holding an award of arms.

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2. Rank within the orders is determined solely by the date the award was given.
 3. For the territorial rulers, precedence is determined by the date of inauguration of the territory to its current group level.
 4. As per the section “Immigrant arms”, precedence-bearing awards from other kingdoms carry an identical position of precedence to the corresponding Lochac award.
 5. Awards granted to a branch, guild or other organised group that carry precedence do not convey that precedence onto the individual members of that group.

Reason for change

Referenceable rules. Updated Great Officer list. Removed explicit reference to section to futureproof against renumbering.

11.5.6 VI.3 (Now 6.5) Royal peerages

Was The Royal Peers, as defined in Corpora, are the Dukes and Duchesses, Counts and Countesses and Viscounts and Viscountesses. Royal Peerages earned in the Kingdom of Lochac are accompanied by Patents of Arms.

People receiving such Patents shall be assumed to fulfil the basic requirements for the elevation to the Peerage.

- Now**
1. The royal peers, as defined in Corpora, are the Dukes and Duchesses, Counts and Countesses and Viscounts and Viscountesses.
 2. Royal peerages earned in the Kingdom of Lochac are accompanied by patents of arms.
 3. People receiving such patents shall be assumed to fulfil the basic requirements for the elevation to the peerage.

Reason for change Referenceable rules.

11.5.7 VI.4 (6.6) now Patents of arms

Was Bestowed peerages are the Order of Chivalry, the Order of the Laurel, the Order of the Pelican, and the

Order of Defense, as defined in Corpora.

Elevation to these Right Noble Orders shall convey a Patent of Arms.

Membership in each of the bestowed Peerage Orders confers the same level of precedence.

All members of the respective Orders have the right to advise the Crown regarding selection of members for their Orders, and no member may be excluded from a conclave convened for that purpose unless under sanctions by the Crown as described in Corpora X.A.2.

Now

1. Bestowed peerages are the Order of Chivalry, the Order of the Laurel, the Order of the Pelican, the Order of Defense, and the Order of the Mark, as defined in Corpora.
2. Elevation to these right noble orders shall convey a patent of arms.
3. Membership in each of the bestowed peerage orders confers the same level of precedence.
4. All members of the respective orders have the right to advise the Crown regarding selection of members for their orders, and no member may be excluded from a conclave convened for that purpose unless under sanctions by the Crown as described in Corpora's section on sanctions.

Functional change

Added the Order of the Mark

Reason for change

Creation of the Order of the Mark.

Removed explicit reference to paragraph in Corpora as it wasn't the correct one.

11.5.8 VI.5 (now 6.7) The polling orders of distinction

11.5.8.1 VI.5.i (now 6.7.1) Overview

Was Polling Orders of Distinction in Lochac have the following characteristics:

1. The selection of members of these Orders will be at the pleasure of the Crown after consultation with the existing members of the respective Orders.
2. Elevation to these Orders shall confer upon the holders a Grant of Arms, if that person is not already a holder of a Grant of Arms

These Orders are equal in precedence, and shall rank below the Peerage and above the Grant-level Orders of Distinction

Now

1. The polling orders of distinction in Lochac are:
 - a. The Lochac Company of Archers
 - b. The Order of the White Scarf of Lochac.
2. These orders are no longer polled by the Crown and are closed to new members.
2. The selection of members of these orders was at the pleasure of the Crown after consultation with the existing members of the respective orders.
3. Elevation to these orders conferred a grant of arms, if that person was not already a holder of a grant of arms.
4. These Orders are equal in precedence, and shall rank below the peerage and above the grant-level orders of distinction.

Functional change

These orders are now both closed. Participants deserving of a grant-level award in these fields should be awarded a Red Wyvern, and if a higher award is needed, recommend for peerage.

Reason for change

Both orders have new peerages as the pinnacle awards. Keeping the Lochac Company of Archers open when the White Scarf had closed was not appropriate.

11.5.8.2 VI.5.ii (now 6.7.2) Lochac Company of Archers

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VI.5.ii Lochac Company of Archers

Membership of the Lochac Company of Archers shall be bestowed by the Crown to those who have demonstrated high achievement, chivalry and service to the Kingdom in the field of archery.

VI.5.ii.a Duties

The duties of the members of this Company shall be to promote and encourage their art within the Kingdom of Lochac. They are to advise the Earl Marshal and the Archery Marshal on, and do research into, aspects of the art of missile weapons including, but not limited to: combat standards, tactics, marshalling, training, period research, qualification and competition.

- Now**
1. Membership of the Lochac Company of Archers has been bestowed by the Crown to those who have demonstrated high achievement, chivalry and service to the kingdom in the field of missile weapons.
 2. With the Order of the Mark opened as the pinnacle order of ranged pursuits, the Lochac Company of Archers is closed to new members and will no longer be polled by the Crown.
 3. It shall be a recognised tradition in Lochac to address members of the company as “Captain”, or a variant thereof.
 4. The duties of the members of this company are to promote and encourage their art within the Kingdom of Lochac.
 5. They are to advise the Earl Marshal and the Kingdom Archery Marshal on, and do research into, aspects of the art of missile weapons including, but not limited to: combat standards, tactics, marshalling, training, period research, qualification and competition.

Functional change The Lochac Company of Archers is now closed and no further members added.

Reason for change Matches what occurred for the Order of the White Scarf of Lochac with the creation of the Order of Defence.

Merged duties into other text, heading not needed and prevents numbering collision.

11.5.8.3 VI.5.iii Order of the White Scarf (Now 6.7.3 Order of the White Scarf of Lochac)

Was

Membership of the Order of the White Scarf of Lochac has been bestowed by the Crown upon those who have demonstrated high achievement, chivalry and service to the Kingdom in unarmoured (rapier) combat.

With the Order of Defense opened as the pinnacle order of rapier combat, the Order of the White Scarf is closed to new members and will no longer be polled by the Crown.

It shall be a recognised tradition in Lochac to address members of the Order as “Don” or “Doña”.

VI.5.iii.a Duties

The duties of the members of this Order are to promote and encourage their art within the Kingdom of Lochac. They are to advise the Earl Marshal and the Rapier Marshal on, and do research into, all aspects of the art of rapier combat including, but not limited to: combat standards, tactics, marshalling, training, period research, qualification and competition.

Now

1. Membership of the Order of the White Scarf of Lochac has been bestowed by the Crown upon those who have demonstrated high achievement, chivalry and service to the kingdom in unarmoured (rapier) combat.
2. With the Order of Defense opened as the pinnacle order of rapier combat, the Order of the White Scarf is closed to new members and will no longer be polled by the Crown.
3. It shall be a recognised tradition in Lochac to address members of the Order as “Don” or “Doña”.
4. The duties of the members of this order are to promote and encourage their art within the Kingdom of Lochac.
5. They are to advise the Earl Marshal and the Kingdom Rapier Marshal on, and do research into, all aspects of the art of rapier combat including, but not limited to: combat standards, tactics, marshalling, training, period research, qualification and competition.

Reason for change

Referenceable rules, updated title to match name of award, update officer titles and removed extra heading to avoid numbering collision.

11.5.9 VI.6 (now 6.8) Grant-level orders of distinction

11.5.9.1 VI.6.i (now 6.8.1) Overview

Was Alongside the Grant of Arms, there shall be three Orders of Distinction in Lochac, and they shall have the following common characteristics:

1. Elevation to these Orders shall confer upon the holders a Grant of Arms, if that person is not

already a holder of a Grant of Arms.

2. All bearers of Grants of Arms are entitled to be addressed as “The Honourable”.

3. The Grant of Arms and these Orders are all equal in precedence, and shall rank below the Polling

Orders of Distinction and above the Court Barons and Baronesses.

Now 1. Alongside the grant of arms, there shall be three orders of distinction in Lochac:

- a. The Order of the Silver Pegasus
- b. The Order of the Cockatrice
- c. The Order of the Red Wyvern

2. Elevation to these orders shall confer upon the holders a grant of arms, if that person is not already a holder of a grant of arms.

3. All bearers of grants of arms are entitled to be addressed as “The Honourable”.

4. The grant of arms and these orders are all equal in precedence, and shall rank below the polling orders of distinction and above the Court Barons and Baronesses.

Functional change

None

Reason for change

Missing list of orders

11.5.9.2 VI.6.iii (Now 6.8.3) The Order of the Silver Pegasus

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.5.9.3 VI.6.iv (now 6.8.4) The Order of the Cockatrice

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.5.9.4 VI.6.v The Order of the Red Wyvern

Was The Order of the Red Wyvern may be given to those who have distinguished themselves over time by performing outstanding service and great prowess in the Martial Arts. They shall also have demonstrated chivalry, courtesy, and

courtly behaviour both on and off the field of combat. Such prowess can include skills in Armoured Combat, Archery, Rapier, the Equestrian Arts, Siege Warfare, or Leadership on the warfield.

- Now**
1. The Order of the Red Wyvern may be given to those who have distinguished themselves over time by performing outstanding service and great prowess in the martial arts.
 2. They shall also have demonstrated chivalry, courtesy, and courtly behaviour both on and off the field of martial endeavour.
 3. Such prowess can include skills in armoured combat, ranged weapons, rapier, the equestrian arts, siege warfare, or leadership on the warfield.

Functional change None.

Reason for change Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Replaced "field of combat" with field of martial endeavor" as not all of the activities are combative.

Replaced "archery" with "ranged weapons" to align with the wording for the Order of the Mark, and ensure that other ranged pursuits such as throwing weapons are not excluded.

11.5.10 VI.7 (now 6.9) Court Baronies

Removed duplicate heading

Was The title of Court Baron or Court Baroness may be offered to those the Crown wishes to honour, for those whose contributions have enriched the Kingdom in unique ways. This title carries with it an Award of Arms, and those entitled shall stand in precedence between holders of Grants of Arms and Orders of Achievement. The title of Court Baron/Baroness may be used by all who attain this title.

Court Barons and Baronesses are entitled to be addressed as "Your Excellency".

**GUIDELINE: Traditionally, this award is bestowed upon retiring territorial baronages. See also VI.6.ii above.

Now

1. The title of Court Baron or Court Baroness may be offered to those the Crown wishes to honour, for those whose contributions have enriched the kingdom in unique ways.

GUIDELINE: Traditionally, this award is bestowed upon retiring territorial baronages. See also "Grants of arms".

2. This title carries with it an award of arms, and those entitled shall stand in precedence between holders of grants of arms and orders of achievement.
3. The title of Court Baron/Baroness may be used by all who attain this title.
4. Court Barons and Baronesses are entitled to be addressed as "Your Excellency".

Functional change

None

Reason for change

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Removed explicit rule reference for futureproofing.

11.5.11 VI.8 (Now 6.10) Orders of achievement

11.5.11.1 VI.8.x (Now 6.10.10) The Lochac Order of Grace

Was The Lochac Order of Grace may only be awarded once per reign to that person the Queen regards as having displayed exceptional courtesy.

Now The Lochac Order of Grace may only be awarded once per reign to that person the Consort regards as having displayed exceptional courtesy.

Functional change None

Reason for change Removal of gender of the Consort.

11.5.12 VI.10 (Now 6.12) Non-armigerous orders

General heading added to avoid numbering collision. Numbering added.

11.5.12.1 VI.10.v (now 6.12.6) Royal cyphers

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.5.12.2 VI.10.viii (Now 6.12.9) The Order of the Rose

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.5.12.3 VI.10.ix (Now 6.12.10) The Order of the Coronaria

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.5.12.4 VI.10.x Augmentation of arms

Was An Augmentation of Arms is a special and very rare honour. Given only a few times in the history of the Kingdom, it entitles the recipient to register an addition or alteration to their Arms in consultation with the awarding Crown.

An Augmentation of Arms may be granted to a group or individual at the discretion of the Crown. In the case of an individual, it would normally be for exceptional and/or prolonged service to the Kingdom of Lochac.

- Now**
1. An augmentation of arms is a special and very rare honour.
 2. It entitles the recipient to register an addition or alteration to their arms in consultation with the awarding Crown.
 3. An augmentation of arms may be granted to a group or individual at the discretion of the Crown.
 4. In the case of an individual, it would normally be for exceptional and/or prolonged service to the Kingdom of Lochac.

Functional change None

Reason for change Augmentation of arms have now been awarded more than a few times.

11.5.13 VI.11 (now 6.13) Other awards

11.5.13.1 VI.11.i (now 6.13.1) Baronial awards

Was The Landed Baronages of each Barony have the right to establish non-armigerous orders and awards to be recognized solely within the borders of their Barony.

Now The territorial baronages of each barony have the right to establish non-armigerous orders and awards to be recognized solely within the borders of their barony.

Reason for change Consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law.

11.5.13.2 VI.11.ii (now 6.12.2) Local recognition

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.5.14 VI.12 (now 6.14) Immigrant arms

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.6 VII (now 7) Finances

11.6.1 VII.1 (Now 7.1) Financial policy

Was The Financial Policy of the SCA shall apply to the Kingdom of Lochac and to all groups within the Kingdom.

Now The financial policies of SCA Ltd and SCANZ apply to the Kingdom of Lochac and to all groups within the kingdom.

Functional change None, SCA Inc's financial policy has not applied for many years.

Reason for change SCA Inc's Financial Policy does not apply.

11.6.2 VII.2 (Now 7.2) Financial Reporting

Updated references of Lochac Exchequer or Chancellor to Chancellor of the Exchequer throughout for consistent terminology in Kingdom Law.

11.6.2.1 VII.2.i Groups reporting to the Lochac Exchequer

Was VII.2.i.a Australia Every Australian group shall report annually to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for Australia, by 31st January, on the monies and properties they held for their group or the SCA during the previous Australian financial year. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor to suspend the responsible officer in that group. Failure to so report within a further month without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor to request the Crown to place the group in abeyance.

VII.2.i.b New Zealand Every New Zealand group shall report annually to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for New Zealand, by 30th of April, on the monies and properties they held for their group or the SCA during the previous New Zealand financial year. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor to suspend the responsible officer in that group. Failure to so report within a further month without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor to request the Crown to place the group in abeyance.

Now

1. Every **Australian** group shall report annually to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for Australia, by 31st January, on the monies and properties they held for their group or the SCA during the previous Australian financial year.
2. Every **New Zealand** group shall report annually to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Deputy for New Zealand, by 30th of April, on the monies and properties they held for their group or the SCA during the previous New Zealand financial year.
3. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor of the Exchequer to suspend the responsible officer in that group.

4. Failure to so report within a further month without appropriate explanation is ground for the Chancellor of the Exchequer to request the Crown to place the group in abeyance.

Functional change None

Reason for change Separate sentences into referenceable rules. Remove repetition.

11.6.2.2 VII.2.ii The Lochac Exchequer (Now 7.2.2 The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

Was VII.2.ii.a Australian Report The Lochac Exchequer must report to the SCA Ltd. (Australia) Treasurer and the Crown every year by the last day of February, on the monies and properties of Australian branches of the Kingdom of Lochac. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Crown to suspend the Exchequer or remove the Exchequer from Office.

VII.2.ii.b New Zealand Report The Lochac Exchequer must report to the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal every year by the 31st of May on the monies and properties of New Zealand branches of the Kingdom of Lochac. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Crown to suspend the Exchequer or remove the Exchequer from Office.

Now

7.2.2.1 Annual reporting

1. The Chancellor of the Exchequer must report to the SCA Ltd Treasurer, the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal every year by the last day of February, on the monies and properties of Australian branches of the Kingdom of Lochac.
2. The Chancellor of the Exchequer must report to the SCANZ Treasurer, the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal every year by the 31st of May on the monies and properties of New Zealand branches of the Kingdom of Lochac.
3. Failure to so report without appropriate explanation is grounds for the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ to suspend or remove the Chancellor of the Exchequer from office.

Functional change

Updated to reflect appointment and removal process by Board and Committee, not Crown.

Reason for change

Requirements of SCANZ constitution.

Separated sentences into referenceable rules. Remove repetition.

11.6.2.2.1 VII.2.ii.c Kingdom financial summary in Pegasus

Separate sentences into referenceable rules.

11.6.2.2.2 VII.2.iii (now 7.2.2.3) Failure to report

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was Should it become apparent that the Lochac Exchequer is unable or unwilling to produce a financial report for a given financial year, then the Crown will consult with the SCA Treasurer and the Seneschal, and immediately appoint a person who is capable and willing to report on the finances of the Kingdom....

Now 1. Should it become apparent that the Chancellor of the Exchequer is unable or unwilling to produce a financial report for a given financial year, then the Board of SCA Ltd and Committee of SCANZ may remove them from office and appoint another person.

Functional change Updated to reflect that the Chancellor of the Exchequer is appointed by the Board and Committee.

Reason for change Requirements of SCANZ constitution.

Was ...This person shall perform the duties of the office of Kingdom Exchequer until a permanent replacement is found....

Now 2. The emergency replacement deputy shall perform the duties of the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer until a permanent replacement is found.

Functional change None

Reason for change Updated to include that an emergency replacement deputy exists.

Was ...The requirements of Article IV Section 6 may be temporarily waived by the Crown for this purpose....

Now Removed

Functional change The requirements for holding office cannot be waived as they are in the SCANZ constitution.

Reason for change Article IV Section 6 was about requirements for holding office, such as conflict of interest, membership or residence requirements. These requirements cannot be waived as they are in the SCANZ constitution.

Was ...Should it be apparent that a group within the Kingdom is unable or unwilling to report, then this should be communicated by the Lochac Exchequer to the SCA Treasurer. ...

Now 3. Should it be apparent that a group within the kingdom is unable or unwilling to report, then this should be communicated by the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the relevant corporate Treasurer.

Functional change Updated chain of reporting

Reason for change Office reports to the Treasurers of SCANZ and SCA Ltd, not SCA Inc.

Was

...The provisions of the SCA financial policy will then apply, including placing the group in abeyance for up to 1 year.

Now

4. The provisions of SCANZ's constitution and SCA Ltd's financial policy will then apply, including placing the group in abeyance.

Functional change

Correction of which provisions apply (SCANZ's constitution and SCA Ltd's financial policy) and there is no time limit on abeyance.

Reason for change

SCANZ constitution changes.

11.6.3 VII.3 (Now 9.1) Council of the Purse

Moved to chapter 9 on Councils.

Separate sentences into referenceable rules.

Updated the Heirs to say Royal Heirs for consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law.

11.6.4 VII.4 (now 7.3) Levies on events

11.6.4.1 VII.4.i Events Definition (Now 7.3.1 General)

Was For the purposes of the Kingdom Levy, SCA Ltd Event Membership, and SCANZ Event Membership, the word "event" refers to tournaments, feasts, and other activities whereby participants can display the results of their research into the culture and technology of the period in an environment which evokes the atmosphere of the pre-17th century world. It also refers to educational activities involving either one-time classes or ongoing Kingdom university organizations. All Kingdom events must be sponsored by official branches of the Kingdom, publicized at least to the members of that branch, and conducted according to

Kingdom rules. It excludes activities such as regular fighter practices, group business meetings, and informal classes.

If there is doubt as to whether an activity is an "event" according to these definitions, then the decision shall be made by the Kingdom Seneschal.

Was part of VII.4.v Exceptions College groups are exempt from the requirement to collect or remit Kingdom Levy or SCANZ Event Memberships.

Now 1. For the purposes of the kingdom event levy, SCA Ltd event membership and SCANZ event membership fees, regular activities such as fighter practices, group business meetings and informal classes are excluded from requiring collection of fees and levies.

2. Events sponsored by college groups are exempt from the requirement to collect or remit kingdom event levies.

Reason for change This section previously added a different definition of events than what is used in Corpora.

Rather than redefining events, we now state which events are excluded from needing to pay the kingdom event levy or event membership fees.

11.6.4.2 VII.4.ii (now 7.3.2) Kingdom event levy

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.6.4.3 VII.4.iii (now 7.3.3) SCA Ltd event memberships

Added rule numbering.

Was The SCA Ltd requires that Australian-based groups collect and remit funds for event memberships for persons who are not full members of the SCA in any country.

Now SCA Ltd requires that Australian-based groups (except colleges) collect and remit funds for event memberships for persons who are not full members of the SCA in any country.

Reason for change Colleges are affiliate organisations, so have their own insurance mechanism for covering non-members of their groups.

11.6.4.4 VII.4.iv SCANZ event memberships (Now 7.4.4 SCANZ event membership fees)

Was The SCANZ requires that New Zealand-based groups collect and remit funds for event memberships for persons who are not full members of the SCA in any country.

For every event held, from every non-member 18 years or older attending the event, a \$2 fee shall be collected.

Now SCANZ requires that New Zealand-based groups (except colleges) collect and remit funds for event memberships for persons who are not full members of the SCA in any country.

For every event held, from every non-member 18 years or older attending the event, a fee as prescribed by SCANZ shall be collected.

Functional change Price is changeable in SCANZ policy.

Reason for change SCANZ may amend the price as it sees fit, so futureproofing against needing to change this document.

Colleges are affiliate organisations, so have their own insurance mechanism for covering non-members of their groups.

11.6.4.5 VII.4.v Exceptions

Incorporated into other rules in this section

Was College groups are exempt from the requirement to collect or remit Kingdom Levy or SCANZ Event Memberships.

Now 7.3.1.2 Events sponsored by college groups are exempt from the requirement to collect or remit kingdom event levies, SCA Ltd or SCANZ event membership fees.

Functional change Events sponsored by college groups are exempt from the requirement to collect or remit SCA Ltd event membership fees as well.

Reason for change Colleges are affiliate organisations, so have their own insurance mechanism for covering non-members of their groups.

Was Persons who pay no entry fee may be exempted from Kingdom Levy and SCANZ Event Membership.

Now 7.3.1.4 Persons who pay no entry fee are exempted from kingdom event levies.

7.3.4.3 Persons who pay no entry fee are exempted from SCANZ event membership fees.

Functional change None

Reason for change Tidier

11.6.4.6 VII.4.vi Reporting (Now 7.3.5 Remittance)

Change of heading to match contentMerge with section on currency

11.6.4.7 VII.4.vii Currency

Merged into 7.3.5 Remittance

Was Groups in Australia are required to calculate their amounts and remit funds in Australian dollars.

Groups in New Zealand are required to calculate their amounts and remit funds in New Zealand dollars (on a dollar for dollar basis)

Now 7.4.5.2 Groups are required to calculate their amounts and remit funds in their own relevant currency on a dollar for dollar basis.

Functional change None

Reason for change Avoid repetition.

11.7 VIII Kingdom events (Now 8. Crown events)

Change of heading to reduce numbering layers.

11.7.1 VIII.1 Crown Events (now 8.1 Scheduling)

Added rule numbering and separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.7.2 VIII.1.iii (now 8.3) Bids

Was Bids from groups wishing to host a Crown Event shall be collected by the Seneschal. The Council of the

Purse shall choose between the bids at least nine (9) months before the Kingdom Event, and earlier if they think advisable; but in no case shall the decision be made more than eighteen months before the proposed Event.

In extenuating circumstances, bids may be approved up to six (6) months before the Kingdom event.

Now

1. Bids from groups wishing to host a crown event shall be collected by the Kingdom Seneschal.

2. The Council of the Purse shall choose between the bids at least nine (9) months before the crown event, and earlier if they think advisable; but in no case shall the decision be made more than eighteen months before the proposed event.

3. In extenuating circumstances, bids may be approved up to six (6) months before the crown event.

Reason for change

Consistent terminology.

11.7.3 VIII.1.iv (now 8.4) Budget

Separated sentences into referenceable rules. Updated "Lochac Exchequer" to "Chancellor of the Exchequer" as the correct officer title.

11.7.4 VIII.1.v (now 8.5) Finances

Separated sentences into referenceable rules. Updated "Lochac Exchequer" to "Chancellor of the Exchequer" as the correct officer title.

11.7.5 VIII.1.vi (now 8.6) Inability for the Crown Tournament or Coronation to be held

Added General heading to avoid numbering collisions.

8.6.1 General

Updated section references

Was

... The Council of the Purse will determine the dates and publish the date changes in the Kingdom Newsletter, website and other appropriate Kingdom communication channels.

Now

The Council of the Purse will determine the dates and publish the date changes in Pegasus, on the kingdom website and other appropriate kingdom communication channels.

Functional change

None

Reason for change

Clarify where changes will be published.

11.7.6 VIII.1.vi.a (now 8.6.2) Crown Tournament

11.7.7 VIII.1.vi.a.i Crown Tournament (with Heirs)

Was If Heirs have been determined and are willing to reign, the Crown will publish a proclamation within 14 days of the cancelled coronation event and submit it for publication in the next Kingdom newsletter.

If the Heirs are unwilling to reign, a Crown Tournament will be scheduled in respect to III.2.iii C and VIII.1.vi.a.

The Crown Tournament will be held on the day of the next Scheduled Crown Tournament. This decision will be made by The Crown and The Kingdom Seneschal in consultation with Group Hosting Coronation.

Now Removed

Functional change None

Reason for change This section didn't make a lot of sense. Needing to hold another Crown Tournament if the Heirs are unwilling to reign is covered in 3.2.3.

11.7.8 VIII.1.vi.b Coronations (now 8.6.3 Coronation)

11.7.8.1 VIII.1.vi.b.i Coronations (with Heirs) (now 8.6.3.1 Coronation (with Royal Heirs))

Was If there are Heirs, The Kingdom Seneschal and the reigning Crown shall prepare and have published a proclamation announcing the orderly succession of the Crown. The proclamation shall be made and dated within 14 days of the cancelled coronation event, submitted for publication in the next Kingdom newsletter and distributed to the populace via the Landed Barons and Baronesses and Shire/Baronial/College Seneschals.

Now 1. If there are Royal Heirs, the Kingdom Seneschal and the reigning Crown shall prepare and have published a proclamation announcing the orderly succession of the Crown.

2. The proclamation shall be made and dated within 14 days of the cancelled Coronation event, submitted for publication in the next edition of Pegasus and distributed to the populace via the territorial baronages and group seneschals.

Functional change None

Reason for change Consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law.

11.7.8.2 VIII.1.vi.b.ii Coronations (no Heirs) (now 8.6.3.2 Coronation (without Royal Heirs))

Was If there are no Heirs, the current Crown will continue Their reign until a Crown Tournament and successive Coronation can be scheduled. The Coronation event will be determined by the Council of the Purse and may be at any date following the Crown Tournament but no later than the next scheduled Coronation event as per VIII.1.

If a new date for both Crown Tournament and Coronation can be held. (most likely at the next scheduled Crown Event). If the current Crown are not willing to extend Their term, a Regency is to be established as per Kingdom Law - III.2.5.

Now 1. If there are no Royal Heirs, the current Crown will continue their reign until a Crown Tournament and successive Coronation can be scheduled as per 8.6.2.

2. If the current Crown are not willing to extend their term, a Regency is to be established as per 3.2.5.

Functional change None

Reason for change. Terminology made consistent.

References updated.

The Council of the Purse setting dates etc. is covered in 8.6.1.2.

There appears to have been a cut and paste error for one of the sentences? so has been removed as the information is already covered.

11.8 IX (now 9) Councils

11.8.1 Added 9.1 Council of the Purse

Moved from 7.3 to Chapter 9 on Councils. Subsequent rules renumbered

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Updated the Heirs to say Royal Heirs for consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law.

11.8.2 IX.1 (now 9.2) Council of Regalia

Added General heading to avoid numbering collision.

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was

...Any article of regalia given to the Crown without having first been approved by the Council will be deemed a personal gift to the King and/or Queen to whom it is presented....

Now

5. Any article of regalia given to the Crown without having first been approved by the council will be deemed a personal gift to the Sovereign and/or Consort to whom it is presented.

Reason for change

Avoid gendered language.

11.9 X Conduct of Persons

11.9.1 X.1.iv (now 10.1.8)Peers

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was

...If any peer is unable to do so in person, they may, if they choose, offer their fealty to the current Crown through the Baronage of the territory in which they reside as the Crown's representative. This fealty shall then be passed to the Crown by the Landed Baron/Baroness.

Now

3. If any peer is unable to do so in person, they may, if they choose, offer their fealty to the current Crown through the baronage of the territory in which they reside as the Crown's representative. This fealty shall then be passed to the Crown by the territorial baronage.

Reason for change

Consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law

11.9.2 X.1.vi (now 10.1.10) Violation of fealty

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was

... The above suspensions and restrictions shall remain until they have been considered by the Crown or its appointed representatives, at which point the suspensions shall be lifted or confirmed....

Now

5. The above suspensions and restrictions shall remain until they have been considered by the Crown or their appointed representatives, at which point the suspensions shall be lifted or confirmed.

Reason for change

The Crown is people, not an it.

11.9.3 X.1.vii (now 10.1.11) Fealty variations

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.9.4 X.2 (now 10.2) Clothing

Was

In accordance with the guidelines of the SCA, all people attending official SCA events shall be wearing an attempt at a style of pre 17th Century dress.

Now

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1. In accordance with Corpora, all people attending official SCA events shall be wearing an attempt at a style of pre 17th Century dress.
 2. At business meetings and informal classes, the requirement to wear pre-17th century dress may be waived.

Functional change This is a rule, not a guideline

Reason for change This is a requirement of Corpora.

11.9.5 X.3 (Now 10.3) Hazard and incident reporting

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was Any hazard that presents, or is likely to present, an unacceptable risk of injury or illness as a result of an activity or event that relates to Lochac must be reported, as soon as practicable, to the relevant officer (e.g. the event constable, event steward, local Seneschal). ...

Now Any hazard that presents, or is likely to present, an unacceptable risk of injury or illness as a result of an activity or event that relates to Lochac must be reported, as soon as practicable, to the relevant officer (e.g. the event steward, local seneschal).

Reason for change Removed event constable.

11.9.6 X.4 (now 10.4) Issue resolution procedure

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Added General heading to avoid numbering collision.

Added

For any complaint that involves a New Zealand member or any officer of SCANZ (including the Crown, the Kingdom Seneschal, the Chancellor of the Exchequer or their Deputy) a formal dispute may be raised with SCANZ under the procedures in its constitution at any stage.

11.9.6.1 X.4.i (Now 10.4.2) First stage

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.9.6.2 X.4.ii (Now 10.4.3) Second stage

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was

...If the issue involves a landed Baronage, it shall be brought directly to the Crown....

Now

3. If the issue involves a territorial baronage, it shall be brought directly to the Crown.

Reason for change

Consistent terminology throughout Kingdom Law

Was ... If the issue involves the Kingdom Seneschal, it shall be brought directly to the SCA NZ Inc Committee if the person is resident in New Zealand, otherwise to the SCA Ltd Board, in each case with a copy to the Society Seneschal.

Now 4. If the issue involves the Crown, the Kingdom Seneschal, the Chancellor of the Exchequer or their deputy, it shall be brought directly to the Committee of SCANZ and the SCA Ltd Board, with a copy to the Society Seneschal.

Functional change Update to where issues are brought to reflect who is in charge of those roles.

Reason for change These roles are appointed by the Committee of SCANZ and Board of SCA Ltd, so they are responsible for addressing issues with the individuals in those roles.

Was If the relevant officer or a close associate (e.g. their life partner or SCA student) is involved in the issue, this stage step may be omitted.

Now If the relevant officer or a close associate of the officer (e.g. their life partner or SCA student) is involved in the issue, this stage step may be omitted.

Reason for change Clarification.

11.9.6.3 X.4.iii (Now 10.4.4) Third stage

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

11.9.6.4 X.4.iv (now 10.4.5) Unresolved issues

Separated sentences into referenceable rules.

Was

...This will be investigated and handled by the Kingdom Seneschal in accordance with relevant SCA policies.

Now 2. This will be investigated and handled by the Kingdom Seneschal in accordance with relevant SCANZ and SCA Ltd policies.

Functional change SCANZ and SCA Ltd policies are what applies, not SCA Inc

Reason for change Accurately state whose policies apply.