

The following sections are reproduced from the Code of Law of Regia Anglorum for members interested in applying for a Grant of Land

5A. Land Grants and Formation of Groups

- i. Any Full Member of Regia, or person seeking Full Membership, who lives in an area not already granted to a local group may apply to the Society, through the Eolder and the Lawspeaker, to set up a new group in that area.
- ii. If accepted, a Grant of Land from the Society to the new group shall be drawn up by the Lawspeaker. No group may be set up without a Grant of Land.
- iii. All new groups will be attached for purposes of mentorship to the nearest Established Group (the Mentor Group)
- iv. At the request of either party, mentorship may be taken up by another Established Group, who may be geographically more remote, but closer in background and interest to the new group.
- v. The Mentor Group will be responsible for the new group's standards of authenticity and for generally assisting them in all aspects of the life of the Society.
- vi. The new group leader shall attend High Witans as of right, but must take the advice of his Mentor Group leader into account when voting. At no time may a Mentor Group use or include votes from groups under its mentorship at the High Witan.
- vii. A period of mentorship is ended by vote of the High Witan on application from the new group. A period of six months is envisaged as a guideline, which may be extended at the discretion of the High Witan.
- viii. Any Full Member of the Society, resident in land already granted to a local group, may, with the consent of the existing Group Leader, apply to set up a new group. Application for a Grant of Land shall be made to the Eolder and the Lawspeaker.
- ix. In all normal circumstances, the boundaries of a Grant of Land applied for under 5Aviii above shall be drawn up by the group leader who already administers the land.
- x. Proposed Grants of Land shall in all circumstances be drawn up in formal terms, giving exact geographical boundaries.
- xi. Proposed Grants of Land shall be dated, and submitted to the Lawspeaker in triplicate for ratification. Copies of the proposed Grant of Land shall be sent by the Lawspeaker to the Eolder, the National Membership Officer and anyone else who may be reasonably held to have an interest within seven days of receipt of the proposal.
- xii. If no objection is lodged within thirty days of the Lawspeaker's receipt of the proposal, the Lawspeaker shall proclaim the ratification of the Land Grant. He shall inform the Publications Officer and all those whom he has previously informed of the proposal.
- xiii. An area for recruiting and administration shall be formed by the Grant of Land, All Grants of Land are of equal status and will survive the administrators responsible for their inception.
- xiv. Grants of Land shall revert to the grantor, whether the Society (under C5Aii) or the former local group (under C5Aviii) if they fall vacant.
- xv. An area shall fall vacant, and the local group cease to exist, if there are fewer than three paid-up Full Members of the group resident within it both on 31st October and on the 1st May immediately following.
- xvi. The HW may move to decide that a local group shall cease to exist, and its grant of land fall vacant, if, in the space of a calendar year, it has failed to be represented in sufficient numbers at a sufficient number of Major Events without good cause. The HW shall take account of attendance at local or area events, and at Training Weekends and other activities not open to the public, in determining whether a group is inactive or not. This regulation shall not apply to overseas-based groups.
- xvii. All other alterations to group boundaries must be notified to the High Witan, through the Lawspeaker. They shall be ratified using the procedures above.
- xviii. A group is recognised on the payment of its third Full Capitation Fee to Regia. No new group may receive a Grant of Land if it has fewer than three members at the time.
- xix. A group is deemed Established when it has ten paid-up adult Members. Such Groups may act as Mentor Groups (provided they are themselves out of mentorship) and may create their own regulations for their own activities and affairs. Such regulations must not contravene the Code of Law, nor lower the standards of the Society as laid down by the High Witan and the National Officers.

- xx. A group with thirty-six adult Members may apply to the High Witan to be accorded the status of an Eorldom, and its leader to be accorded the status of an Eorl at a public ceremony if it be his wish.
- xxi. An Eorldom's status shall revert to that of an Established Group if it does not have thirty-six adult members by 15th November in the following year.
- xxii. A local group shall accurately reflect the peoples found in the group's area within Regia's period.

5B. Management of Groups

- i. All local groups are branches of the Society, and are bound by the Code of Law. All members of local groups are members of the Society, and are bound by the Code of Law.
- ii. The local group shall administer and enforce the Code of Law within its area. Whilst the method by which this is carried out is to be decided by the local group, the following points must be adhered to
- iii. Each local group must have a group leader and a treasurer, these two posts must not be held by the same individual.
- iv. Each local group must have a bank or building society account, in the name of the group.
- v. Each group must have an Authenticity Officer, and a Training Officer if the group has any combatant members. These posts may be held by any member of the group.
- vi. The group leader is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Code of Law in the group and the area of the group's Grant of Land.
- vii. The treasurer is primarily and solely responsible for the administration of the group's accounts. The Society Treasurer must be informed of the identity of the group treasurer.
- viii. The group leader and treasurer shall be jointly responsible for the administration of the group's bank or building society account.
- ix. The Training Officer is responsible for military training within the group. The National Training Officer shall be informed of the identity of the group Training Officer.
- x. The Authenticity Officer is responsible for all aspects of authenticity in the group. The National Authenticity Officer shall be informed of the identity of the group authenticity officer.
- xi. The sphere of authority of the above posts in the group shall mirror the authority of the relevant National Officer in the Society, as set down in the Code of Law.

Members seeking to apply for a Grant of Land are advised to contact me at the early stages in order to determine eligibility and to sort out ensuing details.

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