

Membership Handbook Edits - July 2015

Page 1 - Change "Starting a new solitary chapter" to "Starting a New Domain"

Page 2 - Change "local Chapters or Domains" to "local Domains"

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Page 4 - Under "Membership Benefits" change "local Chapter or Domain" to "local Domain"

Page 6 - Change "Finding a Local Chapter" to "Finding a Local Domain"

Page 9 - Change "To form a new Domain or change a solitary chapter into a Domain, get approval from the Regional Coordinator and the National Coordinar." to "To form a new Domain, get approval from the Regional Coordinator and the National Coordinator. See page 11."

Page 9 - Delete "Chapters" section and "Solitary Chapters" section.

Page 11 - Change "Chapters" section to read "Coordinators handle out-of-game logistics and management of the club. Most member's direct Coordinator is the Domain Coordinator (DC). Your Domain Coordinator is the Coordinator you're likely to interact with most often, and should be the first point of contact for any out-of-game questions or concerns.

Domain coordinators are supervised by Regional Coordinators. Regional Coordinators are the supervised by the National Coordinator. If an office is vacant or an officer is unavailable, you can speak with the officer's supervisor to get the help they need."

Page 11 - Change "Starting a New Solitary Chapter" to "Starting a New Domain"

Page 11 - Change "Starting a New Domain" text to read: "If there is no existing Domain in your area, you have two options:

☐ Join your Region's internet-based virtual domain and participate online (see below)

☐ Create a new Domain

Follow these steps to form a new Domain:

1. Recruit at least four other members who live where the new Domain will be formed.
2. Choose one of these people to become the new Domain Coordinator (CC).
3. Have the proposed DC contact the Regional Coordinator (RC) with the list of members, proposed geographic boundaries, and any other information the RC requests. The RC will work with the National Coordinator (NC) to respond to the request.
4. New Domains are considered probationary for the first year, and should receive extra support from the RC and NC.

Many members interested in starting a local group will join the regional internet-based domain while working to recruit enough people to form a new Domain. They may then transfer their membership from the internet-based domain to the new Domain once it forms. Other members may join a Domain in a nearby city, as having connections to other nearby members and a game within driving distance can be a powerful recruiting tool."

Page 12 - Change "Regional Virtual Chapters" to "Regional Virtual Domains" and remove all references to chapters or solitary chapters in that section

Page 15 - Under "Code of Conduct" change #5 to "We are safe during all club activities. For safety reasons, actual weapons or overly realistic weapon props, stunting, blood drinking, and other activities a club officer judges likely to cause physical harm are specifically not allowed at events. The presiding coordinator makes this determination in their sole discretion. All physical contact must be consensual."

Page 22 - Under "Names" remove "chapters"

Page 23 - Under "Banners" remove "chapters"

Page 24 - Change "chapter blood drive" to "Domain blood drive"

Page 24 - Change "If a member is not near a chapter" to "If a member is not near a Domain"

Page 25 - Change "If a member moves to another chapter/domain" to "If a member moves to another Domain"

Page 26 - Remove all references to chapter coordinator from MC chart

Page 27 - Remove "Chapter Coordinator" from last paragraph

Page 28 - Change "Creating a new chapter" to "creating a new domain"

Page 30 - Change "Chapter Coordinator" to "Domain Coordinator"

Page 32 - Change "Independent Chapter Coordinators" to "Domain Coordinators"

Page 33 - Under "Awarding Prestige" remove "Chapter Coordinator"

Page 34 - Remove "Chapter Coordinator" section

Page 34 - Add "May remove any DC or RC from office." to NC specific authority

Page 35 - First paragraph of "Storytellers" section, remove last sentence

Page 36 - Under "Specific DST Authority" change "Regional Coordinator" to "Regional Storyteller"

Page 37 - Add " remove any VST, DST or RST from office," to NST specific authority

Page 39 - Change "Ombudsman" to "Protection, Advocacy and Culture Team (2 positions)"

Page 40 - Remove "Chapter Coordinator" from MC Loan chart

Page 41 - Change "Chapter and Domain Assistants" to "Domain Assistants"

Page 42 - Change "Chapter or Domain" to "Domain"

Page 43 - Remove "Chapter Coordinator" from election chart

Page 43 - Change NC and NST electorate to "RSTs (or RCs) nominate, Board of Directors selects"

Page 43 - Change "National Ombudsman" to "Protection, Advocacy and Culture Team" and their election official to Board of Directors

Page 46 - Remove "Independent Chapter Coordinator" from vetting requirements chart

Page 48 - Remove "Solitary Chapters" references throughout

Page 48 - Change "National Voting" to "National Elections" and change the section to read: " When electing national officers, the Regional officers represent their constituency, nominating a candidate at their discretion for the Region as a whole. Distinct from Regional elections, however, each Regional officer may nominate a single candidate for the election. The Regional Officer may nominate themselves. Regardless of who is nominated, the nomination must be revealed to the constituents after the final list of candidates is released.

The Board of Directors will receive the nominations from the Regional officers, vet the nominees, announce the candidates, and ask the entire field an identical list of questions. Once the answers are received, the answers will be published in an accessible way for the membership to view. The Board may also interview the candidates privately. The Board of Directors will receive feedback to the written responses for no less than two weeks before selecting the National Officer from the field nominated by the Regional officers."

Page 51 - Remove "Chapter Coordinator" line from chart

Page 53 - Change "Ombudsman" email to PACT email

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Page 54 and 55 - Change multiple instances of "Ombudsman" to "PACT"

Page 56 - Under "Investigations" add this sentence, " Some behavior isn't in need of immediate corrective action and must instead be investigated before further action is taken. VST's, DST's and DC's must refer these situations to the corresponding Regional Officer, which is the first level of officer in MES empowered to deliver a disciplinary action (see Chapter Six)."

Page 63 - Under "How do I initiate an appeal," add this parenthetical: "(only copy direct coordinator if appealing a disciplinary action"

