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## CONSTITUTIONAL BYLAWS

### **Article 1. Name and Address**

This corporation shall be known as Hesse-Kassel Jaeger Korp, Inc. The address of this Corporation shall be the address of the most senior BoD member living in SC; if no member of the BoD resides in SC the BoD shall appoint a member living in SC to serve as address of record. Or the BoD may elect to establish and SC PO box with forwarding to serve as the address of record and registered agent.

### **Article 2. Primacy of the Bylaws**

That the nature, function, and objectives of this organization, together with provisions for membership eligibility, management responsibilities, financial management, proper disposition of residual assets and liabilities upon dissolution will be established in this constitutional bylaws.

### **Article 3. Insurance**

Adequate insurance, as defined by the membership upon annual approval of budget item for insurance, shall be secured by this organization to protect against public liability and property damage claims of other legal actions that may arise as a result of activities of the organization or one or more of its members acting on its behalf.

### **Article 4. Taxes**

That the organization shall be responsible for applicable local, state, and Federal tax codes, and any other applicable statutes and regulation that are complied with in the operation or the organization

### **Article 5. Status**

This corporation shall be an Educational non-profit for the public benefit corporation with no discrimination against any person on the basis of race, sex, religion or ethnic origins. The Corporation shall be formed of dues paying members.

### **Article 6. Purpose**

The primary purpose of this organization shall be to educate the public about lifestyles during the period of the American Revolution, with emphasis placed on the Hesse-Kassel soldiers and distaff, through living history, military tactical demonstrations and lectures.

## **Article 7. Government**

The care and the direction of the corporation shall be vested in the elected administrative officers (the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer), who shall serve as the Board of Directors.

## **Article 8. Fiscal Year**

The fiscal year of the corporation shall be the calendar year. Our reporting year shall be as mandated by State and Federal tax requirements

## **Article 9. Amendments**

### **Section 9.01 Amendment Voting Requirements**

This document may be amended by a vote of three quarters majority.

### **Section 9.02 Written Presentation to the Membership**

The proposed amendment must be submitted to the entire membership via electronic or paper copy (also referred to as hard copy). A hard copy can be sent to a member upon request.

### **Section 9.03 Proposal of Amendments**

The amendment may be proposed prior to any event or prior to the annual meeting. This shall be subject to the rules for calling meetings located in this document.

### **Section 9.04 30 Day Review Period**

A period of 30 days after the written proposal has been given to the membership via electronic medium or hard copy if requested is required before the amendment can be brought before the membership for vote. A request for a hard copy does not reset the 30 day clock,

### **Section 9.05 Balloting**

Upon receipt of the amendment the Secretary will send out the text of the proposal via electronic medium or hardcopy if requested to the membership within 15 days of its receipt a ballot will be attached to the proposal and each member shall return said ballot within ten days of receipt to the Secretary. The ballot may be paper or via polling feature of Jaeger web based tools or other reasonable means approved by the Board of Directors. The results will be announced by a notice posted to Jaeger web based tools within fifteen days of the results being tabulated. Hardcopy if requested does not reset the 15 day clock.

#### **9 05. (1) Failure to return ballot**

Failure to return a ballot within the 10 day time line shall be interpreted as an abstention from voting. Return date for ballots shall be determined by postmark or send flag date.

### **Section 9.06 Notification**

If passed, an amended copy of the document will be provided to all members of the Korp, by the Secretary, within 15 days via electronic medium or hardcopy if requested, and it shall also be posted in the Jaeger web documents archive.

## **Article 10. Women & Minorities**

Women and Minorities are welcome to join with the understanding that he or she must portray a role correct to the 18th Century military life and emphasis on the Hessian forces in particular. They may portray soldiers if they can pass for a male while in appropriate male period dress from a distance of 50 feet.

## **Article 11. Minors & Guests**

Sponsoring adults are responsible for any minors (below 18 years of age.) And guests brought to any Korp function. The Korps accepts no liability for minors or guests.



## **Section 11.01 Responsibilities of Sponsor Member**

### **11 01. (1) Minors**

This responsibility includes but is not limited to the minor's/guest safety and proper conduct, their correct 18th Century dress and comportment. Sponsoring members are expected to have control of their minors at all times, or make consensual arrangements with another member for assistance if needed.

### **11 01. (2) Guests**

A guest is defined as a person, not a dues paying or family membership, brought to an event by a dues paying member. Any guests dressing out or remaining in camp after public hours shall be required to meet all criteria of a recruit prospect and complete an application and waiver form whether they have intention to join the Korps or not. Guests failing to meet recruit criteria may not be permitted to dress out or remain in camp after public hours, but may visit as a member of the general public barring any restrictions by the site.

## **Article 12. Dissolution**

If the Korp dissolves, all equipment and property will be sold or donated to other charitable not for profit educational organizations, any cash or negotiable assets will be donated to the National Rifle Association youth education programs.

## **Article 13. Membership**

The membership of the Hesse-Kassel Jaeger Korp, Inc. shall be made up of persons who participate; purchase/acquire the approved personal uniform; abide by the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, and pay annual dues. Members shall be furnished with periodic reports on the operations of the Board of Directors through the Jaeger web-based tools or at general meetings.

## **Section 13.01 Membership Requirements**

### **13 01. (1) Must be at least 18**

Prospective voting members must be at least 18 years of age. Members under 18 must be a family member(s) of a voting member.

### **13 01. (2) Interest**

They must have an interest in the American Revolution in general and the Hessian military and cultural life in general.

### **13 01. (3) No Illegal Drugs or Controlled Substances**

They must not be a user of illegal controlled substances or illegal mind altering substances.

### **13 01. (4) No Restrictions on Ownership of Firearms**

They must not be restricted from the ownership of firearms according to state and federal guidelines.

### **13 01. (5) Portrayal**

They must be willing to portray 18th Century military life, assisting in the various details and duties thereof.

### **13 01. (6) US Citizen or Legal Alien**

Be a US Citizen or hold Legal Alien status. Documentation may be required.

## **Section 13.02 Confirmation of Prospective Members and Procedures**

### **13 02. (1) Membership Application**

All prospective members, once they have asked to be considered for recruitment into the Korps, will be

given an application. The Secretary of the Korps will keep the application on file.

### **13.02.1(1) BoD Review Application Document**

The application document and its content will be approved by the Board, and will be reviewed periodically for legality and appropriateness.

### **13.02.1(2) Application to Include**

The application will include basic personal information and health information needed in case of emergency.

### **13.02.1(3) Official Use Only**

All applications will be only available for official Korps use. They may not be seen by anyone without permission of the person involved or the Board of Directors.

### **13.02.1(4) BoD Review**

The Board of Directors has the duty to review all completed applications.

### **13.02.1(5) Falsifying Application**

Lying on an application will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the Korps. Any time that a lie is found on an application the Board will review the situation and report to the membership. The offense will be handled as Section 13.07 of the Korps bylaws require.

## **13 02. (2) Liability Waivers**

A prospective member must complete a liability waiver before attending any event. This waiver will be turned into the senior member of the Board and delivered to the Secretary. If no member of the Board is present then the Commander may receive the waiver.

## **13 02. (3) Event Fulfillment**

A prospective member must attend at least three events before they can ask for a vote on their membership. Attendance is defined as participation in at least one full day of a weekend event or the entire activity of any single day event. For those wanting to join as soldiers/Jaegers, at least two of these events must include taking the field at battle events or firing demos. These events must be within a twelve month range to count towards the three events.

## **13 02. (4) Requesting Vote**

The prospective member will request the Board that a vote on their membership be taken. Upon receiving this request any member of the Board may call the vote. This may be done at any Korp activity meeting or event. The President, once informed of the request for a vote, will either inform all the members, or send them a letter, email, or post via Jaeger web tools informing them of the vote. The notice must be given at least 15 days before the next event or the vote will be postponed until the next event that is 15 or more days from the date of the request. Any member that knows that they will not be present may submit a proxy per that section of the bylaws.

## **13 02. (5) Prospect may address membership**

The prospective member may address the members that are going to vote on the subject of their membership.

## **13 02. (6) Discussion**

The members may request a period of time to discuss the applicant before the vote is called. The Senior Board Member present will preside over the vote. If no Board Member is present, the most senior unit member as defined by date of membership shall perform the duties.

## **13 02. (7) Approval Percentage**

The prospective member must achieve a seventy-five percent majority in affirmation of their application to

become a member. The votes of the members present and the ballots and proxies forwarded will be counted by the Secretary or the Senior Board Member present and reported to the Secretary or the Senior Board Member present if the Secretary is not present. After the notice is given the result(s) will be announced and published via Jaeger web tools or reasonable method approved by the Board... If no Board Member is present then the member that has Seniority as defined by date of membership will do their duties.

### **13 02. (8) If Approval Percentage is Not Obtained**

If the prospective member does not secure the required votes, they may request three more events to make themselves better known. After that period, there will be a second vote taken at a time designated by the President. Again the vote will be taken as described in the previous article.

### **13 02. (9) Six Events to Reapply for 3<sup>rd</sup> Vote**

If the prospective member fails to get the required majority on this second vote they may reapply for membership after participating in six more events from the date of the second vote. The previous rules for announcement of votes still apply to this third vote. This will be the third and final vote.

### **13 02. (10) Three Strikes**

If they fail to get the needed majority after the three vote process then they will be dropped from consideration for membership. After two years the membership may be petitioned via the Board to reattempt the recruiting process. During this two year period they may not participate in any Jaeger events as prospects or guests.

## **Section 13.03 Acceptance into the Korps**

Acceptance into the Korps automatically entitles the applicant full voting rights for the balance of the calendar year in which dues are paid. Those persons being voted in as full members during the last quarter of the year shall have that dues payment cover both the balance of the current year's dues as well as the following year's dues. They then enter the same dues cycle as any other member.

## **Section 13.04 Dues and Procedures**

Dues shall be established by a vote at the Annual Meeting and are due on or before January 31st. Current dues level is established at

~~\$25.00~~—Amended 4/12/14 Starting 2015 dues (payable before Jan 31) will be:  
Individual membership - \$30  
Family membership - \$40

The dues may be changed at the annual meeting by a 75% or better vote. Members who fail to pay dues by January 31st of each year will be notified of this shortcoming by the Treasurer either through direct communication with the member. If communication is phone or in person, it will be documented via follow-up on emails CC'd to the Board. If by February 15<sup>th</sup> dues are still not paid, said member shall be terminated from membership in the Korps. A grace period of an additional 30 days may be granted by the Board if the member requests the additional time prior to February 15th.

### **13 04. (1) Request for Exemption**

Any member who cannot fulfill this obligation due to circumstances beyond their control will have their situation considered by the Board. The Board may grant an exemption of a length they consider reasonable. Those members serving active duty overseas shall have their dues waived for the duration of their assignment overseas.

### **13 04. (2) Appeal**

Any member that is dropped from the rolls for not paying their dues may appeal the action with the full membership at the next scheduled meeting. Approval of the appeal by a majority of the membership shall reinstate the terminated membership upon paying the back dues. This appeal must be requested prior to Feb 15<sup>th</sup> of the following year. No special meeting will be allowed for this purpose.

## **Section 13.05 Reinstatement Process**

Reinstatement of the terminated member shall be accomplished at any time by repeating the membership process.

## **Section 13.06 Voting Members**

Voting members shall be at least 18 years of age. Family memberships are entitled to one vote, unless the members over 18 years of age are registered separately, having been voted into the Korps and paying dues separately. Family memberships only cover those family members who participated in the recruiting process; other family members who wish to join after the fact must participate as guests or recruit prospects and must be voted in separately after participating in the recruit process. Once approved, that person may join the existing family membership, or establish an independent full membership at their discretion.

### **13 06. (1) Membership Types will include:**

#### **13.06.1(1) Voting/Full –**

Voting/Full members are dues paying with voting rights.

#### **13.06.1(2) Associate/Family**

Associate/family member; are members without voting rights as part of a family membership with 1 vote total. Associate/Family members currently within the unit and over the age of 18 may convert from family to full individual memberships by requesting a vote, paying the difference in dues. This vote will be handled per rule for membership votes in this document.

#### **13.06.1(3) Honorary**

Honorary members are voted as such by a majority of members present, without voting rights or dues obligations.

## **Section 13.07 Discipline**

Any member may be reprimanded by vote of the Board of Directors for failing to abide by the unit constitution, bylaws, or special requirements established by the site/event coordinators, behave in an unsafe manner endangering others, or take part in criminal activity.

### **13 07. (1) Accused**

Any member has the right to present issues/offense(s)/concerns to the Board of Directors. The named member/s and the accuser(s) will be given the opportunity to present their side of the issue to the Board prior to any action being taken.

### **13 07. (2) Complainant**

If the complainant is unwilling to face the accused as part of the review process, the Board may not assess any reprimand stronger than a verbal redirect or admonishment unless the Board can independently verify and confirm the behavior in question in which case the Board has authority for any appropriate reprimand. If the accused requests appeal before the membership and the complainant desires to remain anonymous, a member of the Board shall represent the complaint.

### **13 07. (3) Reprimand/Removal**

Removal from the unit requires a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, and validation by 75% majority vote of the general membership:

Lesser penalties than total ejection of member from the Korps only require a majority vote of the Board if the member fails to abide by the constitution, bylaws, special requirements established by the site/event coordinators, or behave in an unsafe manner endangering others. The accused has the right to request an appeal of the reprimand to the general membership.

## **13 07. (4) Process**

### **13.07.4(1) Dropping Charges**

By unanimous vote, the Board may find the charges unfounded and the charges will be dropped.

#### **1) Perjury**

The Board may upon such a vote also vote to recommend that the accuser be reprimanded if their claim is found baseless and malicious or based on the use of perjury or other false facts as a separate complaint.

### **13.07.4(2) Guilty Charge**

If the Board finds the person guilty and establishes a reprimand, the accused may appeal the findings to the full membership.

#### **1) Removal from unit must be endorsed by membership**

Penalty of removal from the unit must always be endorsed by the general membership by 75% majority of those present for the disciplinary meeting.

#### **2) Appeal to membership**

A disciplinary item will be added to a meeting agenda, at this time the accuser(s) and the named member will be able to present their case. The membership will discuss the situation and come to 1 of the 3 decisions below:

##### **a) Endorse Boards findings**

The membership can, by simple majority, endorse the reprimand of the Board.

##### **b) Recommend other reprimand**

The membership can, by simple majority, recommend a different reprimand.

##### **c) Reject findings**

The membership can, by simple majority, reject the findings of the Board.

## **13 07. (5) Double Jeopardy**

No member will be called to answer for the same offense more than once.

## **13 07. (6) Criminal**

If the criminal behavior by any member(s) of the Board is brought to the attention of the Board, they shall cooperate with law enforcements and the proper authorities in investigating the complaint.

## **Article 14. Meetings**

The corporation shall hold at least one general meeting a year to elect officers prior to June 1st, preferably in the first quarter of each year. The exact time will be determined by the President. Other meetings can be called at the request of the elected officers or any members at other times of the year. Meetings shall be run according to Roberts Rules of Order as amended for small groups.

### **Section 14.01 Requesting a Meeting**

Any member wishing to call a meeting will request that one be called by informing the President of their request.

### **Section 14.02 Calling Meeting**

The President must call the meeting requested using the following rules.

#### **14 02. (1) Time**

If an event or other function is scheduled that meets the notification requirements and not an unreasonable delay, the meeting will be called on that date. The meeting shall be called preferably within the next 3 events or not to exceed 6 months, where the requestor or their designee must present at the event to discuss the question. There must also be a minimum of 2 weeks prior notice via Jaeger web tools of said meeting.

### **14 02. (2) Subject Specific**

Any meeting called using the method set down in this article must be specific as to subject. This does not exclude general items or other new business added to the agenda according to the bylaws. The member calling the meeting will provide the complete membership a copy of the subject(s) that they wish to discuss, at the time of the meeting being announced to the membership.

## **Section 14.03 Annual Meeting & Elections**

The annual meeting of the membership for the election of the officers board and transaction of other business shall be held prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> of that year, preferably in the first quarter of the year, with the exact time and date to be determined by the President.

### **14 03. (1) State of the Korps**

The President will inform the Membership of the State of the Korp at the Annual Meeting.

### **14 03. (2) Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer will present the annual financial report to the membership.

### **14 03. (3) Powder Authorization**

The Membership will vote on the purchase of powder for that year. If more than the authorized amount is needed then the membership will have to approve the expenditure.

## **Article 15. Officers and Board**

### **Section 15.01 Officers**

The elected officers of the Hesse-Kassel Jaeger Korp Inc. shall form two chains: one administrative and one tactically oriented. Members may hold a position in each of the tactical and administrative chains. However no one member may hold two positions in either of the elected tactical or elected administrative chains at the same time. No one member may simultaneously hold the positions of President and Commander.

### **Section 15.02 Administrative Chain**

The administrative chain shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall serve as the Board of Directors. Their primary responsibilities shall be to administer the business of the Korps and all situations where the troops are not under arms including camp life and living history scenarios.

### **15 02. (1) Non-Tactical**

The senior Board member will be primarily responsible for deciding whether a situation is unsafe and whether the Korp will continue in that non-tactical or camp situation. The senior Board member should solicit the opinions of other members present but is not bound by a consensus. The safety of the membership shall be the senior Board member's primary consideration.

The senior Board member shall make the final decision on any situation that comes up at any event that involves camp safety of any historical presentation(s). The Board in total will either uphold or reverse the decision of any individual after they have heard both sides of the situation.

In the absence of any Board member the senior member by date of membership will have the above authority.

### **Section 15.03 Tactical/Field Chain**

The Tactical/field chain shall consist of the Commander (Senior Lieutenant), Executive-Commander (Junior Lieutenant), and *additionally Corporals may be appointed by the command staff with the approval of the BoD and the Membership . Amended by the membership 4/17/2010*

### **15 03. (1) Tactical**

The Tactical/field chain will be primarily responsible for deciding whether a situation is unsafe and whether the Korp will continue participation of the troops under arms. The Tactical/field chain should solicit the opinions of other members present but is not bound by a consensus. The field and tactical safety of the membership shall be the Tactical/field chains primary consideration. They shall make the final decision on any situation that comes up at any event that involves the field and tactical safety of any historical presentation(s). He will either uphold or reverse the decision of any subordinate after he has heard both sides of the situation.

### **Section 15.04 Appointed Positions**

The positions of Quartermaster and Events Coordinator shall be appointed by the President.

### **Section 15.05 Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to carry out the affairs of this corporation and shall have oversight and review of any and all actions within the Korps, subject to review of the membership.

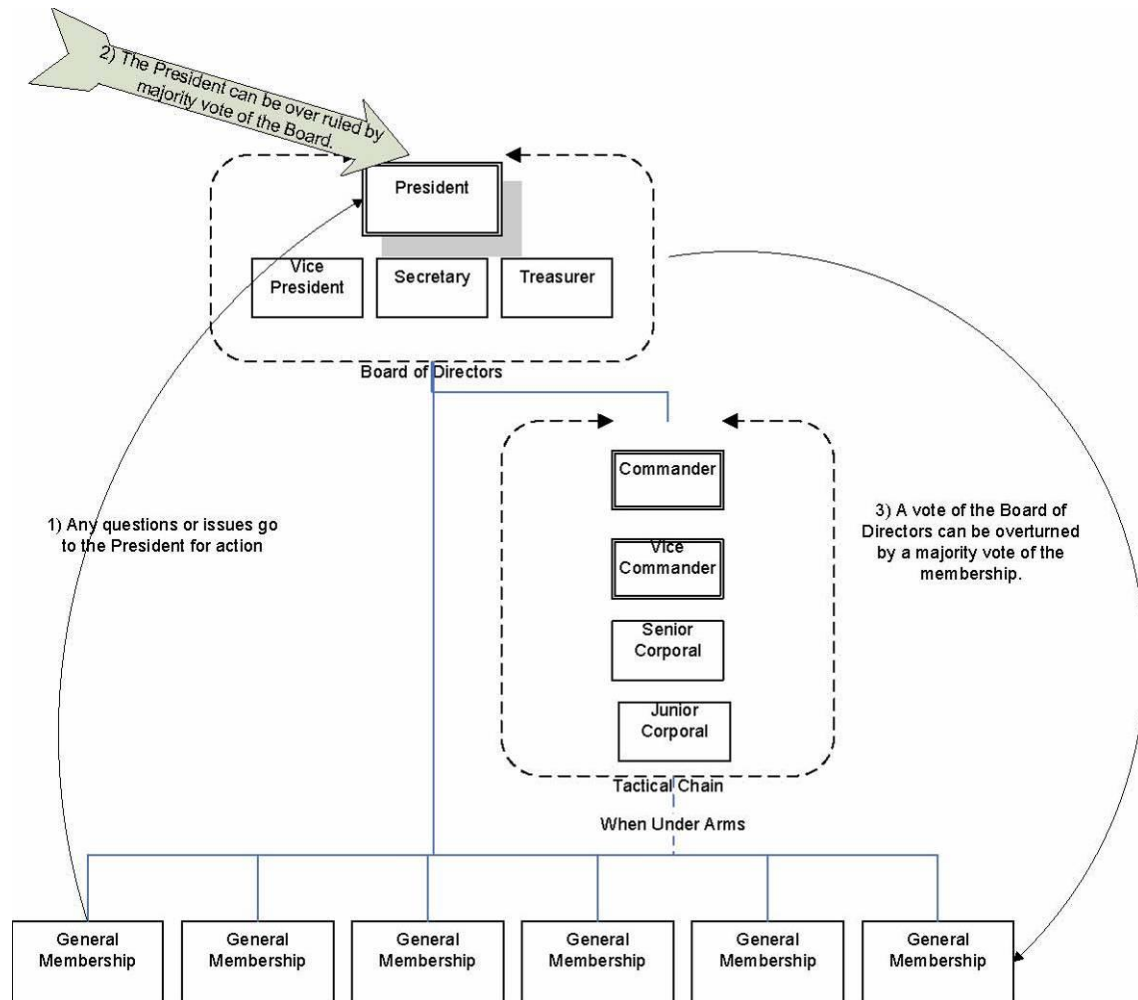
### **15 05. (1) Hierarchy of Responsibility & Appeal**

The hierarchy of responsibility control and oversight for the Korps shall be as follows:

President has oversight and responsibility over all other offices and individuals within the Korp. Any determination of the President may be overturned by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors has oversight and responsibility over all offices and individuals within the Korp. Any determination of the Board may be overturned by a majority vote of the membership.

The Tactical chain has oversight and responsibility over all individuals when under arms. When in the field, the Tactical chain has immediate authority and should not be questioned in any situation where debate at the time may increase safety risk to the membership. However, they remain under the oversight of the Board of Directors and maybe asked to explain and justify any given decisions and may be directed to other choices in future similar situations or have the decision overturned by the Board or the Membership.



### 15 05. (2) Indemnity

The Hesse-Kassel Jaeger Korp agrees to indemnify any member for any liability incurred acting on the behest of the Hesse-Kassel Jaeger Korp with prior approval of the Board.

### Section 15.06 Board of Directors

The four elected administrative officers shall serve as the Board

### Section 15.07 Voting

Voting shall be by secret ballot unless those present agree to suspend this rule. Voting shall be binding with a simple (greater than 50%) majority for general business. Amendments to this document require a majority of 75% or better from those present in person or via proxy.

### Section 15.08 Proxy Votes

#### 15 08. (1) Definition of Proxy

A proxy vote is: a vote by a person having the authority to act for another; agent or substitute.

#### 15 08. (2) Types of Proxy

A person with a proxy vote can vote in all matters, unless it is a limited proxy stating what item(s) on the agenda that person can vote on but giving that person the yes or no vote. Also, it can be a stated vote by proxy, in which the person giving the proxy states his/her wishes for just that item(s) on the agenda and



how to vote on each item.

### **15 08. (3) Submission and Approval of Proxy**

Proxy votes may be approved by the Board when a member is unavoidably absent from the meeting. Members who are deployed and those with work schedule conflicts may write to the President, preferably via the jaegerbod@jaegerkorps.org address, and emails must come from the address of the person requesting the proxy. All proxies must be submitted in writing prior to the beginning of the meeting and presented to the President or member of the Board. Hardcopies must be signed by the person requesting the proxy. A proxy must include, legibly, the name of the person granting the proxy, the name of whom it is granted to and the appropriate dates of the meeting for which the proxy is granted. No proxies will be accepted secondhand without verification, no new proxies shall be allowed after the start of a meeting, barring the most extreme exigent circumstances. The President, subject to endorsement of the Board, will decide whether to grant approval for a proxy vote on a case by case basis.

### **Section 15.09 Acclamation**

When there is but one candidate for an office, the election may proceed by acclamation. However each elected office must be handled individually, "bulk" voting is forbidden (i.e. the entire BoD re-voted in en masse)

### **Section 15.10 Term of Office**

The newly elected officer/s will assume office on June 1<sup>st</sup> following that year's elections. The retiring officers shall have completed the business for the year and shall surrender to their successor essential books, records, and papers pertaining to their respective offices by that date.

#### **15 10. (1) Term Limits**

No elected officer may hold the same office for more than 4 consecutive years at a time. They may be reelected to that office after a minimum of 1 year not holding that position. This does not preclude them from being elected to other positions so long as any one is not held more than 4 consecutive years.

### **Section 15.11 Board of Directors Meetings**

The Board may be called to meet at anytime by the President. A minimum notice of two weeks will be given before convening said meeting. Additionally, the Board may be asked to vote as a body on any question in an announced general meeting.

### **Section 15.12 Quorum**

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the full members present at an announced meeting and a majority vote of those present shall decide all questions, other than those specific items requiring a 75% majority for approval.

### **Section 15.13 Board Meetings Open to All Members**

Board meetings are open to all full members and full members shall be allowed to present issues for discussion during said meetings. The Board may meet privately discuss sensitive issues pertaining to individual members, or individual family memberships, but all decisions and votes must be recorded in the unit records, and any decision affecting the general membership must be voted upon in a normal open door Board meeting.

### **Section 15.14 Bonding**

The Board may require bonding of any person who handles the funds of the corporation.

## **Article 16. Duties of elected Administrative positions**

### **Section 16.01 President**

The President shall be the head of the Korps and the Board of Directors and shall be the most senior member of the Board of Directors.

#### **16 01. (1) Meetings**

The President shall preside and call meetings.

## **16 01. (2) Appointments**

The President shall make special appointments to offices and committees, including normally elected offices when said offices are unexpectedly vacated. These appointments must be approved by the majority of the membership via the Jaeger web tools if a meeting is not ongoing at the time.

### **16.01.2(1) Succession**

If the President vacates office mid term, the position shall be fulfilled by the Vice President. However, no major or new unit business shall be conducted until the membership votes to approve/replace the VP as President, as well as any appointments the acting president may make to fill out other vacant officers. If the membership chooses, they may elect someone other than the VP or appointed persons to offices subject to endorsement.

## **16 01. (3) Speaks for Board**

The President shall speak for the Board on Board decisions.

## **16 01. (4) Report to Membership**

The President shall report to and present business matters of importance to the general membership.

## **16 01. (5) Direct programs of the Korps**

The President shall direct the planning and implementation of the total program of the Korps.

## **16 01. (6) Historical Accuracy**

The President shall have authority to maintain historical accuracy within the camp within the rules and regulations set forth and to settle disputes regarding the constitutional bylaws of the Korps, subject to review and oversight by the Board of Directors and the Membership.

## **16 01. (7) Emergency Spending**

The President shall have the authority in an annual office term to spend up to \$150.00 as needed for emergencies. The President will submit justification for the expenditure(s) to the membership in written form within 30 days. Also, all documentation and receipts will be turned over to the Treasurer within 30 days of the expenditure.

## **16 01. (8) 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Signature to Disburse Funds**

The President shall be a signature on disbursing of unit funds for the unit if the treasurer is not available to do so.

## **Section 16.02 Vice President:**

The Vice President shall provide advice to the President and the Board; shall preside in the absence of the President.

### **16 02. (1) 2<sup>nd</sup> Most Senior Board Member**

The Vice President shall be the most second senior member of the Board of Directors

### **16 02. (2) 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Signature to Disburse Funds**

The Vice President shall be a signature on disbursing of unit funds for the unit if neither the Treasurer nor the President is available to do so.

## **Section 16.03 Secretary**

The Secretary shall record the minutes of the directors and membership meetings.

### **16 03. (1) 3<sup>rd</sup> Most Senior Board Member**

The Secretary shall be the most third senior member of the Board of Directors.

### **16 03. (2) Pro-tem**

The-President shall appoint a pro-tem should an absence by the Secretary be required or take the notes themselves if he/she so desires.

### **16 03. (3) 3<sup>rd</sup> Alternate Signature to Disburse Funds**

The Secretary shall be a signature on disbursing of unit funds for the unit if the Treasurer, President, nor the Vice President is available to do so.

### **16 03. (4) Publish Information to Korps**

The Secretary shall publish announcements and unit business to the web-based Jaeger tools and is encouraged to publish a newsletter at least quarterly if content is available.

#### **16.03.4(1) Web-Based Jaeger Tools**

Wherein, information on upcoming events, results of meetings, items of debate and general interest subjects may be presented to the membership. Additionally, this medium shall allow for and encourage the intelligent discussion of related ideas and concerns. Membership is encouraged to submit pertinent articles and reasonable editorials that affect the Korps.

### **16 03. (5) Membership Roster**

The Secretary shall maintain a current member list of all members in good standing as well as prospective members and shall publish same to the general membership via the web-based Jaeger tools at least annually. The roster shall include at least name, mailing address, home phone, email address, membership type (full or family) other items may be added at the discretion of the member, and Board. Members may request in writing to the board exclude any item other than name and membership type from the published roster.

### **16 03. (6) Archives**

The Secretary shall maintain on file, on disk, and/or hardcopy archival information pertaining to the Korp; shall make said information available to the membership upon request. The Secretary shall be one of the holders of copies/originals of critical unit documents such as Incorporation charter, 501c3 paperwork and letters, insurance certificates and policies etc. The Treasurer shall also keep copies/originals of these records. Where possible, multiple originals are preferred.

### **16 03. (7) History**

The Secretary shall keep documents and other items that are important to the history of the unit, also shall keep a written record of the history of the unit.

## **Section 16.04 Treasurer**

The Treasurer shall be responsible for the custody and control of the funds and shall be the main signature on disbursing of unit funds for the unit. No other person/signature shall write checks nor dispense monies on behalf of the unit unless the Treasurer is unavailable, in which case the President would then take over on the Treasurer's behalf. If the President is unable to take up the duties it will fall on the Vice President and then onto the Secretary if all others are unavailable.

### **16 04. (1) 4<sup>th</sup> Most Senior Board Member**

The Treasurer shall be the most fourth most senior member of the Board of Directors.

### **16 04. (2) Open Accounts**

The Treasurer shall have authority to open bank accounts in the name of the corporation. The Board is to have signatory access to these accounts and funds pursuant to the process of unit business.

## **16 04. (3) Sign Checks**

The Treasurer shall be authorized to sign checks, drafts and other papers requiring the payment of money; shall cause all debts and obligations of the Corporation to be paid upon verification by the person or persons authorizing the indebtedness and obtaining receipts and bills of purchases.

### **16.04.3(1) Process for Disbursing Funds**

The process for disbursing funds, for any and all signatories shall be as follows, with the exception of the President's \$150.00 emergency/discretionary, spending shall be as follows.

#### **1) Approved Budget**

Expenditures shall be approved by the membership within the annual budget.

#### **2) Approval by at Least 3 Board Members**

Disbursing of funds per the budget shall be approved in writing by at least 3 Board members prior to releasing payment.

#### **3) Record Keeping**

The Treasurer shall keep records of all transactions and shall provide copies to the Secretary at least quarterly.

### **16.04.3(2) Primary Signatory**

The Treasurer is the primary signatory for the checks. However, if needed, any Board member may sign checks within the budget with the written approval of at least 2 other Board members. Primacy of alternate signatories shall be as follows; President; Vice President; Secretary.

#### **1) Checks and Check Register**

The Treasurer will be the primary keeper of the unit checks and check register.

#### **2) Debit cards**

There will be 2 unit debit cards for unit business, one shall be maintained by the Treasurer and one shall be maintained by the President.

### **16.04.3(3) Failure to Follow Process**

Failure to follow this process shall be reviewed by the Board and the Membership and may be punished by any censure, up to and including removal from membership, and criminal or civil prosecution in cases of fraud or gross malfeasance.

## **16 04. (4) Dues and Donation Collection**

The Treasurer shall collect dues and receive donations and shall keep an accounting of all receipts and disbursements, which shall be open for auditing at any time.

## **16 04. (5) Audit**

The Treasurer shall maintain the unit financial records and be prepared to furnish them for audit at any time. Audit materials shall include but not be limited to; all original bills, records, receipts and other paperwork.

## **16 04. (6) Quarterly Reports**

The Treasurer shall give a report of accounts on a quarterly basis through to the Board and Secretary and then the membership via web based tools; The Secretary shall be responsible for getting this information published to the web based tools within 30 days.

## **16 04. (7) Annual Reports**

The Treasurer shall furnish an annual statement of all receipts and disbursements of the corporation at each annual electoral meeting of the membership.

## **16 04. (8) End of Year Reporting to Maintain Charitable Status**

The Treasurer shall file the end of year report with the IRS and the South Carolina Attorney Generals Office to maintain 5013C tax free status.

## **~~16 04. (9) Fire Safes~~**

~~The Treasurer and Secretary shall maintain 2 fire safes for the storage of 5013C paperwork and other important, irreplaceable documentation of the Korps. The Treasurer shall be one of the holders of copies/originals of critical unit documents such as Incorporation charter, 5013C paperwork and letters, insurance certificates and policies etc. The Secretary shall also keep copies/originals of these records. Where possible multiple originals are preferred. If only one original is available, the Secretary has primary storage of original documents. Deleted by membership 9/2011~~

## **Article 17. Duties Appointed to Administrative Positions\***

\*The following positions are appointed by the President of the Korps, as needed to support the ongoing operation of the organization.

### **Section 17.01 Quartermaster**

The Quartermaster shall be responsible for the custody and control of the equipment and supplies.

#### **17 01. (1) Korps Equipment**

The Quartermaster shall have authority over the storage, maintenance, repair, accountability and transportation of equipment identified as belonging to the Korps.

#### **17 01. (2) Inventory**

The Quartermaster shall be responsible for the loan of said assets; shall keep an inventory, including cost of items at time of purchase; shall provide the Treasurer with a copy of said inventory for reference twice yearly - once in June and once in December.

### **Section 17.02 Events Coordinator**

The Events Coordinator shall act as the primary point of contact for the Korps with the various sites.

#### **17 02. (1) Provide Information to Secretary**

The Events Coordinator shall provide the Secretary with pertinent information on upcoming events for dispersal in the Korps.

#### **17 02. (2) List of Events**

The Events Coordinator shall maintain a list of all possible events that will be compiled and offered to the membership in November of each calendar year. The feedback from this document will determine which events the Korps will commit to for the following re-enactment season. The vote on events for the next year will be based on the number of the members that vote. This vote may be written or verbal in accordance with the voting rules in the bylaws. In the event that too little information is returned, the Coordinator will use his/her best judgment in arranging the schedule.

#### **17 02. (3) Dropping Events**

Any event that the majority of the Korps does not want to attend will be dropped from the schedule.

## **Article 18. Duties of Elected Tactical Positions**

### **Section 18.01 Senior Lieutenant/Commander**

The Commander shall exercise tactical control of the Korps when engaged in a battlefield scenario, in which he is participating.

## **18 01. (1) Safety**

The Commander will be responsible for deciding whether a situation is unsafe and whether the Korps will continue participation under arms in a battle field scenario. The Commander should solicit the opinions of other members present but is not bound by a consensus. The field and tactical safety and welfare of the membership are the Commanders primary duty in a battlefield scenario in which he participating.

## **18 01. (2) Mediation**

The Commander shall make the decision on any situation that comes up when the troops are under arms in the field of battle. He will either uphold or reverse the decision of any subordinate after he has heard both sides of the situation. These decisions may be reviewed after the fact by the Board of directors and the membership and the Commander advised to correct the issue in the future. The Board shall exercise reason in addressing these issues deferring debate when said debate may increase the risk.

## **Section 18.02 Junior Lieutenant/Vice Commander**

### **18 02. (1) Duties**

The Junior Lt shall fulfill the Commander's duties in the Commanders absence, or if the Senior Lt has been given overall command of troops by the site coordinator. The Junior Lt shall attend all officers meetings or calls with the Commander.

## **Section 18.03 Corporal**

~~There shall be two Corporals in the unit. They will aid the Commander and Vice-Commander in their duties. The membership will vote to fill the 2 Corporals slots as Junior and Senior Corporals. Amended by the membership 4/17/2010~~

### **18 02. (2) Prospects**

They shall be in charge of training new prospective members. They shall report up the command chain on the safety consciousness and physical ability to perform safely in the field. The command chain will report to the membership prior to the prospect's vote for membership.

### **~~18 03. (2) Assumption of Duties~~**

~~The Senior Corporal will assume their duties if neither the Commander nor Vice-Commander are present. If the Senior Corporal is not present the Junior Corporal shall assume their duties. Amended by the membership 4/17/2010~~

## **Section 18.04 Brevet Rank**

If there is a need, the senior member of the Command Staff present shall appoint a member as a Temporary Corporal. If there are multiple openings they may appoint up to three Brevet Corporals. These Ranks will only be good for one event or until another members of the command staff arrives. These Brevet Corporals shall have all the powers of their position. If no member of the Tactical chain is present, any Board member present shall appoint Brevet Corporals or the most senior member present shall assume the duties of a Brevet Corporal.

## **Section 18.05 Tactical Deployment**

The unit with this command structure may split into multiple elements. Each element must have a member of the command staff in command. That element commander will have the power of the Commander when it comes to safety. If there is a safety question, they may take temporary action that must be reviewed by the Commander and the Board by the end of the day.

### **~~18 05. (1) Tactical Assignment~~**

~~The Junior Corporal shall operate with the Commander, and the Senior Corporal shall operate with the Vice-Commander. If the unit needs to split into more than four elements, there will be a member assigned as commander of that element. Amended by the membership 4/17/2010~~

## **Article 19. Regulations**

## **Section 19.01 Uniform Standards**

The following uniform list is what is needed to participate. One does not need everything. For example, if one has cloth breeches one does not have to have woolen breeches too. Each new recruit will be expected to outfit themselves with the following within a year of being voted a full member of the Korps. Extra time may be given upon approval of the Board of Directors. Fabrics with more than 25% synthetic components are forbidden, small clothes (shirts, breeches, and waistcoats) are required to be 100% natural fiber to reduce the risk of burns.

### **19 01. (1) Primary Uniform Requirements:**

#### **19.01.1(1) Hat**

One hat: proper Jaeger cocked hat (Tricorn), hunting hat or münzeshutte (fatigue hat).

##### **1) Cocked hat**

Of proper military design, as research on this is confused, green or black cockades are allowed. This hat should be of proper Jaeger design.

##### **2) Hunting Hat**

This hat will be a regular round hat with the back pinned up. These hats are based on the fact that the front of the regular hat being hooked up so that it could be let down in the front. This hat may be used as appropriate. The proper cocked hat is encouraged for formal functions, parades, presentations etc.

##### **3) Münzeshutte (fatigue hat)**

This hat is made from uniform fabric and is primarily intended as a light or fatigue duty hat, and its wearing under arms is discouraged but not forbidden as may be dictated by the weather or other factors.

#### **19.01.1(2) Shirt**

One proper shirt: of drop-sleeve design or other appropriate design that a soldier could have acquired. Period white shirt or other period correct color shirt of period appropriate materials (linen, silk, cotton, wool etc) is acceptable.

#### **19.01.1(3) Pants or Breeches**

One proper pair of Pants or Knee Britches: these should preferably be white, green, buff or other acceptable period correct color. Also, gaitered pants are allowed made of white with red lines, commonly referred to as pillow ticking, are preferred, however, other period colors are acceptable with period appropriate buttons.

#### **19.01.1(4) Hose & Gaiters**

Proper hose and gaiters, brown leathern gaiters, or black cloth gaiters: all gaiters should come well above the knees but not reach the groin.

#### **19.01.1(5) Cartridge Box**

Cartridge box of proper design: this box should be of brown leather, and be carried as a belly box. Other period appropriate belly cartridge boxes and belts are acceptable, but the brown is preferred. Another appropriate cartridge box that may be carried for extra cartridges, such as a shoulder/battalion box, can be obtained at a later time if desired.

#### **19.01.1(6) Neck Stock**

One neck stock: leather neck stocks are not appropriate for our impression. Fabric neck stock, black or white in color, is more appropriate. It may be in the form of a standard fabric stock, a stankirk, or other period correct neck wear that is appropriate to our portrayal.

#### **19.01.1(7) Regimental Coat**

One Regimental Coat of proper quality and design: of proper wool in color and quality, the body of the coat should be made of forest green, faced and cuffed red with a red collar. The buttons on the facing will be six per side in pairs. There will be three buttons on each pocket. Each pocket will be a false pocket. Each cuff will have three buttons on each. The Buttons will be made of pewter or brass preferably of flat or semi-domed design with a plain surface. The Officer's coat

will be different in that it will have a silver aiguillette hanging from the right shoulder. The Corporal will put white wool tape on the edge of the collar and cuffs as a badge of rank.

### **19.01.1(8) Shoes**

One proper pair of shoes: either period shoes, ones that can pass as period shoes from 50 feet, or leather Dragoon Boots. The shoes are not required to be straight-lasted shoes.

### **19.01.1(9) Eye Wear**

Period eye wear or contacts, if needed. A member may wear modern eye wear if needed until period eye wear or contacts are acquired.

### **19.01.1(10) Waistcoat**

White or green waistcoat of linen or wool material or other period correct colors and fabrics with period appropriate buttons.

### **19.01.1(11) Tournister**

Cowhide haversack. (Tournister)

### **19.01.1(12) Weapons**

#### **1) Firelock**

Jaegerbücsche (German style hunting rifle), Brown Bess short land pattern or approved substitute, a French Charleville or appropriate Long Rifle, or other period and portrayal appropriate firelock may be used until a Jaeger rifle may be acquired.

#### **2) Edged Weapon**

Hirshfanger (straight blade) or Cuttoe (curved blade) (sword and scabbard). Also, proper 18<sup>th</sup> Century knives and halbhacker (tomahawk) may be carried.

### **19.01.1(13) Canteen**

Kidney-shaped British (Half Moon European style) or Hessian Canteen is preferred. A modern British canteen may be used as long as a cover is put over it and it is modified to use a period-styled carrier. Also a wooden canteen or other period appropriate canteens may be carried. However, glass canteens/water bottles are unsafe and not permitted.

### **19.01.1(14) Miscellaneous/Non-standard**

Cleaning kit, bedding, mess gear, double knapsack of green or natural color, non-standard equipment and other equipment that could reasonably be obtained by a soldier in the field, are allowed. An example would be an American designed haversack. This item could easily be picked up from someone in the field whom no longer needed it. If there is an objection brought up by a member, then the membership will vote after it hears both sides of the historical proof or reasoning. The use of the item will be discontinued until the vote is taken.

### **19.01.1(15) Camp Jacket**

Camp jackets shall be allowed for camp use. This jacket shall be single breasted and come down to the waist. The Buttons shall be of any 18th Century design and proper material. As this is a fatigue item, use under arms is discouraged but not forbidden as may be dictated by weather or other factors. The following pattern(s) will be allowed: White and have sleeves with no cuffs and no collar. It will have green swallows nests attached to each shoulder, and green bastion shaped epaulettes, with the point of the bastion pointing out from the neck of the jacket. Officers and Corporals will trim the swallow's nest with silver trim for officers and white trim for Corporals.

### **19.01.1(16) Women**

Women will acquire clothing appropriate to their portrayal (Necessary Woman, etc.) Women may portray a Jaeger as long as she can pass for a Hessian male at 50 feet. She will be expected to follow all uniform standards that apply to



all members.

## **19 01. (2) Militia Uniform Standards**

- There are many events that we participate in that are Militia only. To this end, we recognize that we must adapt.
- We will portray a Loyalist Militia in the Rev War period and French Milice in the F&I.
- To this end, we recognize that the clothing of Militia was wide and varied in its scope.
- Members may also outfit themselves in clothing that is period correct and that shows the wide variety of the Loyalist Movement (REVWAR) or French Milice (F&I).
- Members should also recognize the fact that some sites do not allow such things as breech cloth (breechclout) even where/when they are correct. In those cases, the membership will comply with the site regulations.
- Members may also simply portray Militia by not wearing their Regimental Coat for Loyalist Militia.
- Members that attend Militia events only may use these standards only. All other Rules and Regulations apply.

## **Section 19.02 Tentage**

### **19 02. (1) Individuals provide their own tents**

The tentage will be the responsibility of the individual members.

### **19 02. (2) Preferred Tent**

The preferred tent of the Korps shall be the French 1750 pattern as sold by Panther Primitive as of 1996. The tents will be modified by painting hunter green stripes on all of the seams of the tent. A green scallop may also be added and painted green.

### **19 02. (3) Existing Tents**

Any new member that has an appropriate 18th Century military style tent may use such tent until it wears out. Then an approved Korps tent must be acquired.

### **19 02. (4) Non-Standard Tents**

Each non-standard tent will be voted on by the Board and subject to review of the membership on a case-by-case basis for suitability. Non-standard tents may be approved by the Board on an event appropriate basis, for example a marquee or larger wall tent for demonstrations or lectures at a living history type event.

### **19 02. (5) Castrametation**

Tents will be arranged largest to smallest with the Commanders tent at the head of the line. This will be superseded if site requirements or rules require. When the site is using a battalion formation where possible, the camp should be arranged in the Flying V with the Commander's tent at the point of the V and corporals tents at the ends. The V should be open away from the main encampment to best capture sound

## **Section 19.03 Safety**

Safety is everyone's responsibility and must be taken seriously. Horseplay will not be tolerated.

### **19 03. (1) Black Powder**

#### **19.03.1(1) Black Powder Only**

Black Powder will be the only powder the Korps will use.

#### **19.03.1(2) Substitutes**

Any substitute powder type that may come as a result of future developments will have to be approved by the membership.

### **19.03.1(3) Storage Powder**

Powder will be stored in a proper manner. This will be in a container that is non-sparking and closed on all sides. It will be stored inside of a tent at events at all times. This should be the tent that is the furthest from any open fire or flame.

### **19.03.1(4) No Open Flame**

Keep all open flames away from powder.

### **19.03.1(5) Storage Cartridges**

Cartridges will be stored in self sealing plastic bags (i.e. Ziploc).

### **19.03.1(6) Powder Issue**

Powder will be issued from the powder monkeys prior to battles or demonstrations that the unit is going to be involved in.

### **19.03.1(7) Unused Cartridges**

If it is a two or more day event all unused Cartridges will be stored in a safe manner.

### **19.03.1(8) Powder Status Reports**

As requested by the President and or Commander, keeper(s) of the powder supply will report to the President and Commander how many cartridges and loose powder is left on hand. This should be requested at least quarterly.

### **19.03.1(9) Loose Powder Reorder**

When the loose powder supply goes below ten pounds on hand or less than a quarterly supply, the Treasurer will get prices from three sources for powder. He will report the prices to the other members of the Board and if the purchase has already been approved by the membership the Board will order the Treasurer to order the appropriate amount of powder. At that time, the Treasurer will order and pay for the powder with unit funds. The powder will be shipped to the keeper of the powder or other appropriate location.

### **19.03.1(10) Confirmation of Receipt**

The keeper(s) of the powder will report the arrival of the powder and its condition to the President.

### **19.03.1(11) Powder Keepers**

The keeper of the powder will be the Quartermaster and anyone whom is designated by the Quartermaster. Unit stores of powder and cartridges will be stored in two or more places/persons if at all possible. This will guarantee that powder will be accessible when needed.

## **19 03. (2) Cartridges**

### **19.03.2(1) Paper Cartridges**

The unit will use paper cartridges for all battles or demonstrations. Loading from powder horns or other direct means will not be allowed in "battlefield" or meeting force engagements.

### **19.03.2(2) Powder Horns**

Loading from powder horns or other containers will be allowed only at live fire demonstrations. The powder will be poured into an appropriate powder measure and then poured into the barrel of the weapon.

### **19.03.2(3) Priming Horns**

Priming horns carrying 4f powder will be allowed for priming only if the event or demonstration allows their use. They should hold less than 4oz of 4f powder, and flat pocket horns are encouraged for this purpose.

### **19.03.2(4) Construction of Cartridges**

Cartridges will be made of paper rolled as per period correct design. The bottom will be crimped and then sealed with wax. The top end will be rolled and then glued shut. Mechanical fasteners such as staples are expressly forbidden.

### **19.03.2(5) Pre-rolled tubes**

Pre-rolled cartridge paper of proper quality is allowed, if they meet the above standard.

### **19.03.2(6) Powder Loads**

#### **1) Musket: .69 to .80 caliber**

.69 to .80 caliber =110 grains of powder, 10 grains for priming, the rest in the barrel of the weapon.

#### **2) Rifle: .60 to .70 Caliber**

.60 to .70 Caliber =65 grains of powder, 5 grains for loading ,60 grains down the barrel of the weapon.

#### **3) Other Firelocks**

For other sizes of barrels not covered or atypical weapons where the above criteria is inappropriate (i.e. very short barrels) the owner of the weapon will work up a load that does not make a cracking sound when it goes off. They will then demonstrate this to a member of the Board and the Commander for approval. Once approved, the load will be registered in this regulation and will be used in all other weapons of this size and type.

### **19.03.2(7) Non-unit Cartridges**

If the unit uses cartridges from a source other than the unit they must be inspected and approved by the Field Commander. They must meet unit standards.

### **19.03.2(8) Dropped Cartridges**

If a member drops cartridges it is his/her responsibility to pick them up and secure them.

### **19.03.2(9) Cartridges on the Field**

Cartridges will be carried in a properly designed cartridge box within a wooden loading block. They may be carried in a self sealing (Ziploc) plastic bag in a haversack as spare cartridges.

## **19 03. (3) Misfires**

### **19.03.3(1) Clearing & Re-priming**

When a weapon misfires the owner will clear the touch hole with an appropriate tool. He will either reprime with a priming horn or a small amount of powder from a cartridge. The unused powder from this cartridge will be dumped on the ground in a safe manner. Appropriate muzzle control will be exercised at all times; the muzzle must always be pointed in the safest reasonable direction.

### **19.03.3(2) Moving to Repair**

If after this procedure the weapon will still not fire, the owner will step away from the battle to a safe location and clear his weapon. This will be done by dumping all the powder out of the barrel of the weapon, clearing and cleaning the priming pan, clearing the touch hole and checking his flint. Once this is done then they may return to the line.

### **19.03.3(3) Uncorrectable Situation on Field**

If this situation occurs again or if the weapon cannot be returned to service safely, the owner will either drop out of the engagement or demonstration or will take casualty depending on the tactical situation. This will be decided by the Field Commander or the closest NCO. This may also be covered in the Pre-Battle (demonstration briefing).

## **19 03. (4) Safety Inspection**

### **19.03.4(1) Safety Inspection by Command Staff**

Prior to the battle or demonstration the Field Commander or the Senior NCO will inspect all weapons to be used. Unit standards will be used at all times, if the site has stricter standards then each weapon will meet unit and site standards.

### **19.03.4(2) Firearm Safety**

The following items will be checked for safety.

#### **1) Barrel**

The Barrel will be checked for obstructions by taking a metal ramrod and dropping it gently down the barrel of the weapon. There should be a metal-on-metal sound. If this does not happen the reason for this will be found and corrected. Weapons that have barrels with old powder residue from previous events will not be allowed to fire on the field.

#### **2) Lock**

The lock will be checked for function. The lock must have all of its screws properly attached. The flint will be secured and wrapped in either leather or lead around the rear section that is in the jaws of the cock. The weapon must have a flint that is of proper size for the size of the lock. Any weapon where the lock does not fit properly or function properly will not be allowed to fire on the field. Also all lock will have a proper flash guard properly attached as required by the site.

#### **3) Trigger**

The trigger of muskets will be checked by the weapon being set on half-cock and the weapon will be hung upside down by one finger to check that the half-cock is secure. Rifles or other arms where this technique might cause damage will be tested with reasonable finger pressure while the muzzle is pointed in a safe direction. If the weapon fails these tests, the weapon will not be allowed to be fired on the field.

#### **4) Other Problems**

The weapon will then be visually inspected for any other problems. If the weapon has any unsafe conditions then it will not be allowed to fire on the field.

#### **5) Flint Removal/Non-Firing Participant**

Any weapon that is unsafe may be carried on the field, but not fired. The person carrying this arm must remove the flint from the firelock when using it in this manner the owner will either take causality or function as a non-shooting participant. (runner, water bearer, powder monkey, etc.)

#### **6) Daily Arms Inspections**

This inspection procedure will be done at least once a day at all events.

#### **7) Inspector's Weapon**

The inspector's weapon will be inspected by the next senior member.

## **19 03. (5) Weapon Maintenance**

### **19.03.5(1) Cleaning**

All weapons will be cleaned after battle or demonstration. If this is the day before another use it will be cleaned before another use. If the use is the last before another event it may be cleaned at the owner's discretion.

### **19.03.5(2) Clean and Functional**

All members will be encouraged to keep their weapons clean and functional at all times.

## **19 03. (6) Weapons usage**

### **19.03.6(1) Discharge**

Weapons may only be discharged in battle or at demonstrations. They may be discharged in a safe location if the site allows. This will be done only to test the weapon, and should be done only after obtaining the Field Commander's permission. The firing for testing will be announced by loudly yelling "Fire in the Hole", and waiting @5 seconds before firing.

### **19.03.6(2) General Public and weapons**

No one except unit members may fire weapons. Under no circumstances will the general public be allowed to fire weapons. Staff of a site or other "special persons" may fire the weapons under the supervision of the owner with the permission of the Field Commander.

### **19.03.6(3) Control of Weapon**

The general public will never be allowed to take control of a weapon. They may hold the weapon with the owner holding the sling to maintain control of the weapon. Children may not handle any weapons without either a parent or guardian's permission and their presence.

### **19.03.6(4) Under Arms**

Children of at least 16 years of age may use a weapon in the line as long as their parent or guardian is present and supervises them. The parent or guardian will be the responsible party at all times.

### **19.03.6(5) Other Reenactors**

Members of other units may handle weapons with owner's permission and with the owner present. The owner is responsible for their actions.

## **19 03. (7) Battle & Demonstration Procedures**

### **19.03.7(1) Site Rules versus Jaeger Rules**

The unit will always follow site rules and regulations pertaining to battles and demonstrations. If Korps rules are stricter, we will follow Korps rules.

### **19.03.7(2) Safe Handling**

Weapons will always be handled in a safe manner. Members should always be aware of their muzzles, and keep them pointed in a safe direction.

### **19.03.7(3) Weapons Inspections**

Weapons inspection will be done before all battles and demonstrations.

### **19.03.7(4) Aiming Obliquely**

When discharging weapons at an opposing force, the weapon will never be aimed directly at opposing individuals or groups. A good rule of thumb is that when you are ready to fire you should see no part of the opposing force over your sights. Aim over to the left or right as determined safest and give the best "show" for the public.

### **19.03.7(5) Canteens/Water**

Water must be carried by each Jaeger into a battle, if a member does not have a canteen they will be paired with a member that does.

### **19.03.7(6) Firelock Tools**

Each Jaeger should carry an appropriately sized spare flint, brush and pick, and proper screwdriver to change out flint.

### **19.03.7(7) Edged Weapon Safety**

This regulation will cover Swords, Sabers, Bayonets, Tomahawks, Axes, and anything else edged that can be considered an edged weapon. This section is for the purpose of the safe use of edged weapons and the safety of the Korps.

#### **1) General**

Members may carry any edged weapon that is correct for their portrayal and they must be used in a safe manner. The Korps will also follow all local and site regulations. Members must remember that certain states and localities have laws pertaining to edged weapon and those laws must be followed.

#### **2) Bayonet**

A Bayonet will only be fitted on a weapon when the scenario calls for and is approved by the Site Coordinator and the Field Commander. Bayonets will never be used in opposing force demonstrations.

##### **a) Fixing**

Bayonets may also be fixed during a demonstration for the public. In which case it will be pointed in safe direction, the member must have a scabbard that fits said Bayonet in order to carry it on the field.

### **19.03.7(8) Drawing During Scenario**

No knife or other edged weapon will be drawn during a battle, except for the officers as part of their portrayal of a Hessian Officer.

### **19.03.7(9) General Public**

Knives, swords, and other edged weapons may be shown to the public as long as they are in the control of the member.

### **19.03.7(10) Reenactors**

Members of other units may handle a member's edged weapon but the member is responsible for its control.

### **19.03.7(11) Axe/Ax**

Any axe or other tool used for cutting wood must be used away from the public and the camp and pointed in a direction so that if the head of the ax/axe comes off it will fly in a safe direction.

Make sure that you have enough room so as not to hit an object or person while swinging the tool.

### **19.03.7(12) Throwing**

Throwing tomahawks, knives or other edged weapons will not be thrown in camp. This may only be done in an area designated by the site, which is safe and designed for that purpose. If the site requests and assumes liability, Jaegers may manage a knife and tomahawk range if such a range can be set up safely.

### **19.03.7(13) Sheath/Scabbard**

All knives and swords must be carried in a proper and secure sheath or scabbard.

## **19 03. (8) Camp Safety**

This section is a basic outline of what we should do to keep a safe and pleasant camp.

### **19.03.8(1) Behavior**

Behavior that may be dangerous to persons or property will not be allowed. Anyone engaged in this way may be disciplined.

### **19.03.8(2) Sexual Harassment**

The Policy of the Korps will allow no unwanted sexual advances. No means no. Sexual harassment is a serious problem that can open all of us to legal problems.

### **19.03.8(3) Bawdy Language**

We realize bawdy language is part of our portrayal, but we should remember that there are people who do not approve of this. When such people are around please be considerate.

### **19.03.8(4) Children**

Children are the responsibility of their parents. Parents should know where their children are and what they are doing. It is not the responsibility of other members to keep up with the children.

### **19.03.8(5) Camp fire**

The fire must be watched by a member at all times. The last member to retire should bank the fire before he or she goes to bed. In high winds or other dangerous conditions the fire should be doused.

### **19.03.8(6) Fire Bucket**

A full bucket of water will be kept by the fire at all times. This will be the emergency fire bucket and should be used only for that purpose.

### **19.03.8(7) Open Flames**

No open flames may be taken into a tent that uses hay or straw for a floor, as this presents a high fire hazard. Only fully enclosed lanterns will be allowed inside of tents.

### **19.03.8(8) Secure Weapons**

Members must make sure that any and all weapons, including firearms and edged weapons, are secured at all times to prevent them from falling into the wrong hands.

#### **19.03.8(9) Medical Conditions**

Any member with a Medical Condition that could be a problem should inform the Commander and the Board as soon as that member arrives at an event or meeting.

### **19.03.8(10) Minors**

Sponsoring adults are responsible for any minors (below 18 years of age.) and guests brought to any Korps function. This responsibility includes, but is not limited to, the safety of the minor/guest and proper conduct, their correct 18th Century Dress and comportment.

## **Section 19.04 Camp Appearance**

The unit will do everything that it can reasonably do to make the camp appear as it would during the period that we portray. The following rules are guidelines that we should try to follow and we should remember that good sense and safety should always be used in applying these rules.

### **19.04.1(1) Non-Period Items**

We should make sure that non-period items are out of site when the public is around especially during public hours. We should try to keep modern items hidden at all times.

### **19.04.1(2) Close Tents**

Members should keep their tent doors tied shut if there are modern items visible in the tent.

### **19.04.1(3) Period Dress**

Members and their guests will stay in period dress until after the public leaves at the end of the day. They will also refrain from attending after hours activities in non period clothing.

## **Section 19.05 Other**

### **19.05.1(1) Common Sense**

It should be remembered that these rules should be used and applied using common sense. We should also remember safety that is everyone's responsibility. And also we should remember the reason we exist is to teach.