

SECOND VIRGINIA REGIMENT OF THE CONTINENTAL LINE

BY-LAWS

I. DEFINITION OF TERMS

A. Event

1. An EVENT is defined as an official activity undertaken by the Regiment for the education and entertainment of the general public. This includes parades, NWTAs-sponsored activities, and other agreed-upon ceremonial, educational, or historical presentations.
2. To be credited with attendance at an EVENT, a member must be present for the duration of the EVENT, or at least one day (Colors to Colors) of a multi-day EVENT, and must actively participate with this Regiment.
3. The term EVENT shall not be applicable to any private social gathering, including those sponsored by the Regiment.

B. Event Season

1. The EVENT SEASON is defined as the period beginning with the first recognized event in the Spring and ending with the last recognized event in the Fall.
2. Recognized events shall be determined by majority vote at a General Membership Meeting prior to the first scheduled event of the Spring.

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D. General Election Meeting

1. The GENERAL ELECTION MEETING is defined as the meeting held annually, as prescribed in Article III-A of the Constitution, for the purpose of:
 - a. Electing Corporate and Field Officers.
 - b. Voting on any other Regimental business which may require the action and/or attention of the Regiment at that time.
2. Said meeting shall take place not earlier than the last scheduled event of the season and shall be considered the beginning of the new season.
3. The first order of business at every GENERAL ELECTION MEETING shall be the establishment of voting status as determined by a Review of Credentials conducted prior to said meeting.

E. General Membership Meeting

1. A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING is defined as a meeting held for the purpose of voting on any Regimental business which may require the action and/or attention of the Regiment at that time.
2. There shall be at least one (1) GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING held annually, the time, place, and date to be determined by the Board of Directors and announced to the membership at least five (5) days in advance.
3. A QUORUM, as defined below, must be present. The transaction of all business shall be by majority vote of voting members present unless otherwise specified herein.
4. Other GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS may be called:
 - a. By the Board of Directors.
 - b. By petition of 50% of the voting members.

F. Executive Session

1. An EXECUTIVE SESSION is defined as a closed assembly of the Board of Directors for the purpose of conducting business which, due to its sensitive nature, should be kept confidential.

2. There shall be at least one (1) EXECUTIVE SESSION held annually, immediately following the General Election Meeting, for the purpose of appointing new Staff Officers.

G. Quorum

1. A QUORUM for membership meetings shall consist of 25% of the voting members and at least one Corporate Officer. (Proxy votes shall not count toward Quorum.)
2. A QUORUM for Board of Directors meetings shall consist of a majority of the Board. (Board members may not vote by proxy.)

H. Corporate Offices

1. The CORPORATE OFFICES are defined as the place where the Corporation is registered with the State of Illinois. If no provision is made for a site for the General Election meeting, then said meeting shall be held at the CORPORATE OFFICES.

I. Review of Credentials

1. A REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS is defined as an examination of the attendance records and other pertinent information on a member for the purpose of establishing voting and/or membership status.
2. A REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS shall be conducted by the board of Directors with sufficient frequency to:
 - a. Maintain a current roster of voting members.
 - b. Provide for the demotion or termination of members as described in the By-Laws.

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II. MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Second Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line (hereafter referred to as "the Regiment") shall consist of the following levels, all of which are dependent upon completion of associated requirements.

A. Applicant / Guest

1. An APPLICANT/GUEST must be sponsored **in writing** by a Full Member of the Regiment.
2. An APPLICANT/GUEST must be at least Eighteen (18) years of age.
 - a. Any legal dependent of an APPLICANT/GUEST may also be considered an APPLICANT/GUEST.
3. An APPLICANT/GUEST must be outfitted as authentically as possible.
4. An APPLICANT/GUEST may attend only two events. An APPLICANT/GUEST must join the NwTA by the third event attended.
5. An APPLICANT/GUEST has no voting privileges.
6. An APPLICANT/GUEST may hold no office within the regiment.

B. Recruit

1. An APPLICANT'S promotion to RECRUIT may be put to a vote at the third event attended or at a duly called general membership meeting subsequent to the second event attended. A majority of ALL voting members, including at least one Corporate officer, must be present at any event where a vote for promotion of an APPLICANT to RECRUIT status. The ranking corporate officer shall be responsible for notifying the Board of Directors of the outcome. Any required dues must be paid at that time. If a majority of voting members are not present, or if a corporate officer is not present, the ranking Field Officer shall inform the applicant that a vote cannot be taken.
2. A RECRUIT must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

- a. Any legal dependent of a RECRUIT at least fourteen (14) but less than eighteen (18) years of age, may also be considered a RECRUIT.
- b. Any legal dependent of a RECRUIT, less than fourteen (14) years of age, shall be considered a Bantling.
3. A RECRUIT has a term of one (1) calendar year from the date of promotion in which to assemble the complete outfit necessary to portray a Combatant or Noncombatant. If portraying a Combatant, the Recruit will have one additional year, or a total of two (2) years from the date of promotion to assemble the Class A uniform.
4. A RECRUIT must attend a minimum of two (2) events within that calendar year in order to maintain RECRUIT status. Failure to do so renders a member Inactive.
5. A RECRUIT is not entitled to vote.
6. A RECRUIT may not hold office.

C. Bantling

1. A BANTLING must be a legal dependent of an Applicant, Recruit, or Full Member.
2. A Bantling must be under fourteen (14) years of age.
3. A BANTLING shall be considered a Camp follower for purposes of portrayal and must be authentically outfitted while participating with the Regiment or shall be denied access to the area of authenticity.
4. A BANTLING has no attendance requirements.
5. A BANTLING has no voting privileges.
6. A BANTLING may hold no office within the Regiment.
7. Upon reaching the age of fourteen (14), a BANTLING must apply for Associate Member status. Failure to do so renders the former BANTLING without membership status and therefore unable to participate with the Regiment.

D. Associate Member

1. Advancement to ASSOCIATE MEMBER is dependent upon fulfillment of outfitting requirements and satisfactory inspection by the Board of Directors or designee.
2. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER must be at least fourteen (14) and not more than eighteen (18) years of age.
3. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER must own, maintain, and wear the complete outfit necessary to portray a Combatant or Noncombatant. Failure to do so renders member Inactive.
4. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER must attend a minimum of two (2) scheduled events within every event season in order to maintain ASSOCIATE MEMBER status. Failure to do so renders member Inactive.
5. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER is entitled to vote.
6. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER may hold Field or Staff Offices.

E. Full Member

1. Advancement to FULL MEMBER status is dependent upon fulfillment of outfitting requirements and satisfactory inspection by the Board of Directors or designee.
2. A FULL MEMBER must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
3. A FULL MEMBER must own, maintain, and wear the complete outfit necessary to portray a Combatant or Noncombatant.
4. A FULL MEMBER must attend a minimum of two (2) scheduled events within every event season in order to maintain FULL MEMBER status. Failure to do so renders member Inactive.
5. A FULL MEMBER is entitled to vote.
6. A FULL MEMBER may hold any office within the Regiment for which the member is qualified.

F. Inactive Member

1. Demotion to Inactive status may be applied to any member at least fourteen (14) years of age.
2. An Inactive Member forfeits the right to vote or nominate.
3. An Inactive Member relinquishes all right to hold any office within the Regiment.
4. DEMOTION TO INACTIVE STATUS SHALL OCCUR AUTHOMATICALLY UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
 - a. Upon failure to satisfactorily fulfill applicable outfitting requirements.
 - b. Upon failure to fulfill applicable attendance requirements.
5. Demotion to Inactive status may be based upon lack of compliance with other Regimental regulations as specified or implied within these By-Laws.
6. Requests for reconsideration of demotion shall be presented to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The following questions shall be addressed:
 - a. Granting of extension of active status.
 - b. Any conditions requiring fulfillment.
 - c. Time limit within which any conditions must be fulfilled.
7. Active status may be regained by fulfilling all appropriate requirements. Requirements must be fulfilled:
 - a. Within one (1) calendar year of the date of official demotion to inactive status.
 - b. Within any time limit by the Regiment at the time extension was granted.

G. Termination of Membership

1. Termination of Membership in the Regiment may be initiated by either (1) the Member or (2) the Regiment.
 - a. Voluntary Termination of Membership shall occur following submission of a written request to the Board of Directors or upon failure to pay applicable dues or fees within one (1) calendar year from date due.
 - b. Termination of Membership for Cause:
 - 1) Termination of Membership for Cause shall occur after a hearing before the Board of Directors.
 - 2) Member has the right to appeal the Board's decision to the General Membership at a duly called meeting. This issue shall take precedence over all other business at the designated meeting and shall be decided by a simple majority of voting members present. The member in question shall have no vote on this matter.
2. Reinstatement of Membership shall be denied any member terminated for Cause. If terminated voluntarily, the former member may reapply in the manner prescribed for an Applicant and must proceed, as specified, through the appropriate membership levels.

H. Bearing Arms

1. All members, in order to bear arms, must be at least eighteen (18) years of age. Those under eighteen years of age shall be considered on an individual basis by unanimous vote of all Field Officers. No person under fourteen (14) years of age shall bear arms.
2. All members in direct control of a firearm, who reside in Illinois, should possess and maintain a current Illinois State Resident Firearm Owner's Identification Card.
3. All members, regardless of portrayal, should participate in a Firearms Safety Training Session, to be conducted by the Regimental Field Officers.

I. General Responsibilities of Members

1. All persons desiring membership in this Regiment shall pay any and all dues or fees required by this or any affiliated organization via the Treasurer of this Regiment. Failure to do so renders member Inactive.
2. All persons desiring membership to this Regiment shall comply with the stated rules of this or any affiliated organization as directed by the Regiment. Failure to do so renders member Inactive.

3. All members under sixteen (16) years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all events other than regular business meetings, work sessions, and duties. Said parent or guardian must also be a member of this Regiment. Special cases shall be presented for consideration on an individual basis to the Board of Directors.

J. Special Rights of Members

1. All Regimental records, whether financial, historical, or related to the property of the Regiment, will be made available for examination by any member, committee or the Regiment as a whole. Holders of all records must be prepared to account for all funds, materials and equipment placed in their trust. Record holders should make a point of having these records available at all General Election Meetings or when called upon to present the records for examination.

2. No member of the Regiment is prohibited from belonging to any other Bicentennial Military Units. Members are expected to announce prior to an event their intention to serve with another unit at that event.

3. No member of the Regiment is prohibited from holding any NWTAs position with the necessary exception of the posts of Regimental President and the NWTAs Commander, which shall not be held concurrently.

K. Leaving the Regiment

All persons whose membership in the Regiment is Terminated under any circumstances shall automatically waive all rights to existing funds, quartermaster stores and Regimental property. All Regimental equipment must be returned.

III. ELECTED OFFICES

A. Corporate Offices / Board of Directors

1. A nominee for any Corporate Office must be a Full Member of the Regiment.

2. The CORPORATE OFFICERS of the Regiment shall:

a. Consist of five members of the Board of Directors chosen as specified in Article III-B of the Constitution and described below.

b. Have general supervision of the affairs of the Regiment.

c. Perform such duties as are specified in these By-Laws and such other duties as are incidental to their offices and properly required.

d. Be subject to the orders of the Regiment and none of their actions shall conflict with actions taken by the Regiment, the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, By-Laws, or the Illinois General Not-for-Profit Corporation Act.

e. Present individual reports at the annual General Election Meeting.

f. Serve as a Finance Committee to establish a budget for the fiscal year to be presented for Regimental review and approval at a General Membership Meeting prior to the first scheduled event in the Spring. Committee may, from time to time, submit supplements to the budget for the current fiscal year.

g. Serve as an Auditing Committee to review and formally audit the Treasurer's annual report. Treasurer may be present but shall not participate in the audit.

3. The CORPORATE OFFICERS may hold Staff or Field Offices in conjunction with a Corporate Office but shall hold no more than one (1) Corporate Office concurrently.

4. DESCRIPTION OF POSITIONS:

a. PRESIDENT

1) The PRESIDENT is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Regiment, Ex-officio member of all subcommittees and Board Member of the NWTAs.

2) The PRESIDENT shall:

a) Acquire a working knowledge of parliamentary procedure and a thorough understanding of all Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules of the Regiment.

b) Preside over Regimental meetings and Board meetings.

b. FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

1) The FIRST VICE PRESIDENT is the second ranking member of the Board of Directors.

2) The FIRST VICE PRESIDENT shall:

a) Preside and perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President or when circumstances make it necessary to assume the Presidency.

b) Supervise and coordinate the Service Staff (Medic, Archivist.)

c) Maintain and monitor records of Attendance, Voting, and Membership Status of all members.

d) Conduct Review of Credentials as specified in these By-Laws.

e) Act as intermediary between the Regiment and event sponsors, host units, etc.

f) Handle such Regimental correspondence as does not specifically fall under the sphere of any other officer.

c. SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

1) The SECOND VICE PRESIDENT is the third ranking member of the Board of Directors.

2) The SECOND VICE PRESIDENT shall:

a) Precede and perform the duties of the President in the absence of both the President and the First Vice President or when circumstances make it necessary to assume the Presidency.

b) Supervise and coordinate the Supply Staff (Commissary Officer; Patternmaster; Ordnance Officer) and all associated records.

c) Personally take charge of any Regimental supplies that do not fall within the specific or logical jurisdiction of the other Supply Officers and maintain complete records on same.

d. RECORDING SECRETARY

1) The RECORDING SECRETARY is the fourth ranking member of the Board of Directors.

2) The RECORDING SECRETARY shall:

a) Call a meeting to order in the absence of the President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President and preside until the election of a chairman pro tem, if necessary, which should take place immediately.

b) Take the roll call and note absentees and proxies at all Regimental meetings.

c) Keep minutes at all Regimental meetings.

d) Read minutes of previous meetings.

e. TREASURER

1) The TREASURER is the fifth ranking member of the Board of Directors.

2) The TREASURER shall:

a) Receive and bank all monies earned or otherwise received by the Regiment.

b) Disburse all monies as the Regiment may direct, paying whenever possible by check countersigned by another authorized Board member.

c) Conduct such banking business as pertains to the organization and keep all financial records.

d) Present a complete, auditing financial report at the General Election Meeting.

e) Collect, document, and transfer, if necessary, any dues or fees required by the Regiment or any affiliated organization.

f) Correspond with any affiliated organization regarding dues or fees as discussed above.

g) Maintain and distribute a complete and current roster of all dues-paying members.

B. Field Offices

1. A Nominee for any Field Office must be a Full or Associate Member portraying a Uniformed member Under Arms. All voting members, regardless of portrayal, have the right to nominate and vote on these positions.

2. It is understood that any member accepting a Field Office shall portray a properly outfitted Uniformed Member Under Arms at any and all events at which he/she shall be expected to serve in that capacity.

3. The FIELD OFFICERS shall be considered to be portraying military personnel and be charged with the supervision of the military elements of the Regiment.

4. FIELD OFFICERS may hold Corporate or Staff Offices in conjunction with the Field Office but shall hold no more than one (1) Field Office concurrently.

5. The ranking FIELD OFFICER at any event shall also be responsible for eliminating any glaring anachronism on the Field or in Camp and shall have the support of the Corporate Officers in this endeavor.

6. Should the number of FIELD OFFICERS present at any event prove insufficient to adequately serve the needs of the Regiment, the Chain of Command shall be understood to include the remaining Full and Associate Members Under Arms in order of seniority.

7. FIELD OFFICERS are not permitted to serve with another NWT A unit when the Second Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line is present and participating at an event.

8. DESCRIPTION OF POSITIONS

a. SERGEANT / LIEUTENANT

1) The SERGEANT / LIEUTENANT functions as the Field Commander, being the highest ranking military position in the Regiment. The office carries no Corporate rank or responsibilities and is supervised by the President.

2) The SERGEANT / LIEUTENANT shall:

a) Supervise the First and Second Corporals

b) Take command of the Regiment during all military operations.

b. FIRST CORPORAL

1) The FIRST CORPORAL is the second ranking military position in the Regiment.

a) Take command of the Regiment during military operations when required by the absence, unavailability, or request of the SERGEANT / LIEUTENANT.

b) Function as Drill master for the Regiment.

c. SECOND CORPORAL

1) The SECOND CORPORAL is the third ranking military position in the Regiment.

a) Take command of the Regiment during military operations, when required by the absence, unavailability, or request of the FIRST CORPORAL.

b) Function as the Recruit Training Officer for the Regiment.

C. Nominations

Nominations shall come from the floor at the General Election Meeting.

1. Any member eligible to vote is also eligible to nominate.

2. Nominee must meet all stated requirements of any position for which he/she is nominated.

3. Acceptance of the nomination must be presented, verbally or in writing, at the General Election Meeting.

D. Elections

Elections shall occur at the annual General Election Meeting.

1. Only members maintaining Full, Associate, or Recruit status shall be considered eligible to vote.

2. Any member eligible to vote is entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote.

3. Any member eligible to vote may cast that vote either in person or by written proxy as stated in these By-Laws.

4. Any individual dues-paying member, or two adult dues-paying family members, shall have the right to vote for the corporate officers of the Second Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line. Said members shall also be entitled to hold any elected office in the organization below the office of President or Vice President. Dues must have been paid for the year in which said election is held,

and ALL corporate officers must also have dues currently paid and up to date. Field officers will continue to be elected by those members have participated in the number of events required by the By-Laws, unless a majority vote of the membership present at the semi-annual meeting vote to change the requirement. Said change would only be in effect for one calendar year from the annual election.

5. Elections shall be conducted by ballot except when there is only one nominee, in which case election may be done by acclamation.

6. Elections for each position shall occur immediately following close of nominations for that position.

E. Term of Office

1. All newly elected Officers shall take office at the end of the General Election Meeting at which they were elected.

2. All elected Officers shall serve for a term of one year or until their successors are chosen.

F. Termination of Elected Officers

Termination of Office may be initiated by either (1) the member or (2) the Regiment. In neither case does said termination

1. Voluntary termination of office shall occur following submission of a written request to the Board of Directors.

2. Involuntary termination of office due to incapacitation shall occur following written notification by the Board of Directors.

3. Involuntary termination of office for Cause shall occur after written Notification of Intent, to be issued by the Board of Directors via registered mail, and a hearing before the Board of Directors.

a. The Officer shall have the option of appealing the Board's decision to the General membership at a duly called meeting: retention requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of voting members present.

b. The Regiment shall have the option of reversing the Board's decision by two-thirds (2/3) vote of voting members present at a duly called meeting.

G. Replacement of Terminated Officers

Replacement shall be by appointment of the Board of Directors until a successor may be elected at the next General Membership Meeting or General Election Meeting, whichever comes first.

IV. APPOINTED OFFICES

A. Staff Offices

1. STAFF OFFICERS shall be chosen from among the Full and Associate Members of the Regiment.

2. The STAFF OFFICERS shall be appointed by the newly elected Corporate Officers at an Executive Session following the General Election Meeting, shall take office immediately, and shall serve for a term of one year or until their successors are chosen.

3. STAFF OFFICERS may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Corporate Officers and replaced in the same manner.

4. STAFF OFFICERS may hold Corporate or Field Offices in conjunction with a Staff Office but shall hold no more than one (1) Staff Office concurrently.

5. DESCRIPTION OF POSITIONS

a. The SERVICE STAFF shall consist of those Staff Officers that provide a unique service to all members of the Regiment, regardless of portrayal. The SERVICE STAFF shall be supervised by the First Vice President.

1) The ARCHIVIST shall:

- a) Research and make accessible to the members all available information on the history of the original Second Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line.
- b) Compile and maintain an up-to-date history of the reactivated Regiment from 1972 forward.
- c) Acquire and preserve all available records, photographs, etc., documenting the activities of the current Regiment.

2) MEDIC

The MEDIC shall:

- a) Prepare, maintain, and make available at Regimental gatherings, an adequately stocked First Aid Kit.
- b) Acquire familiarity with current First Aid procedures. (It is suggested that the MEDIC maintain current Red Cross certification.)

b. SUPPLY STAFF

The SUPPLY STAFF shall maintain Regimental supplies and complete records of same and shall be supervised by the Second Vice President.

1) PATTERNMASTER

The PATTERNMASTER shall:

- a) Acquire, maintain, and make available to all members, such patterns and information as may be available regarding the reproduction of authentic garments, accessories, and other items necessary for the portrayal of the Regiment.
- b) Acquire, maintain, and make available for sale to all members any fabric stock held by the Regiment.

2) ORDNANCE OFFICER

The ORDNANCE OFFICER shall:

- a) Acquire, maintain, and distribute the Regimental powder supply to members of the Regiment as the Regiment may direct. Any resident of Illinois must maintain a current Illinois State Resident Firearm Owner's Identification Card or shall be denied access to Regimental powder.
- b) Physically inspect all firearms to insure their mechanical safety.

3) COMMISSARY OFFICER

The COMMISSARY OFFICER shall:

- a) Acquire, maintain and make available all food supplies to be used in the presentation of the Regimental cooking display.
- b) Compile, maintain and make available to members any information regarding preparation of authentic foodstuffs necessary to the portrayal of the Regiment.

V. PORTRAYALS

A. General Information

1. It is understood by all members that the Regiment is portraying the Second Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line as it might have appeared from June 23 / July 23, 1782. However, the Combatants have created a secondary impression of the Regiment as it appeared in 1775, and may as a group elect to utilize that impression for all a portion of an event.
2. The Regiment recognizes two classifications of portrayal, as listed below. All personal portrayals must conform to the requirements and guidelines as set forth herein and must be compatible with the purpose of the Regiment as stated above.
3. Any portrayal that differs substantially from the material set forth in this document shall be considered individually by the Regiment and formally voted upon at a duly called General Membership Meeting. The Burden of historical substantiation rests with the member offering the portrayal.
4. Any member who wishes to offer multiple portrayals may do so provided all requirements for the appropriate membership level are fulfilled.

B. Classifications

1. COMBATANT

- a. A Uniformed Member Under Arms attached to the Regiment. (i.e., Soldier, etc.)
- b. A Nonuniformed Member Under Arms attached to the Regiment. (i.e., Military Recruit, etc.)

2. NONCOMBATANT

- a. A Uniformed Member attached to the Regiment. (i.e., Surgeon, etc.)
- b. A Nonuniformed Member attached to the Regiment. (i.e., Campfollower, etc.)

C. Apparel

1. Uniformed Members

a. Uniform of the Day

- 1) It is understood by all Uniformed Members that the general rule in force at all events is that the Class B is the accepted dress for Saturday and the Class A is the accepted dress for Sunday. However: The Alternate Impression uniform may be used by Military Recruits for the first two (2) years of membership, and by any Uniformed Member under the age of twenty-one (21).
- 2) The Class C Uniform is the accepted off-duty dress of the Regiment and is appropriate for any occasion at which full Class A or Class B is not required. (i.e., Camp wear between scheduled activities.)

b. Class A Uniform

This is the dress uniform and accouterments of the Regiment and must consist of the following items without deviation:

Battalion Company (Line)

Regimental coat

Shirt, white

Waistcoat, white

Overalls, white

Stockings, white, knee-length, unribbed

Shoes, black, plain-toed

Neckstock, black leather

Tricorn, military

Shoulder belt, bayonet frog, scabbard, and British or American cartridge box OR Belly box, waist belt, bayonet frog, and scabbard

Knapsack / haversack

Canteen

Light Company

Regimental coat

Shirt, blue and white check

Waistcoat, white

Overalls, white

Stockings, white, knee-length, unribbed

Shoes, black, plain-toed

Neckstock, black leather

Felt helmet

Shoulder belt, bayonet frog, scabbard, and British or American cartridge box OR Belly box, waist belt, bayonet frog, and scabbard

Knapsack / haversack

Canteen

c. Class B Uniform

This is the undress uniform of the Regiment and should consist of the major items from the Class A Uniform with variations meeting Regimental approval. (i.e., Camp red woolen breeches replacing overalls, red woolen waistcoat replacing white waistcoat. Black gaiters may be worn with britches.)

d. Alternate Impression

As defined in the GIR, this is a secondary impression of the Second Virginia Regiment from October 10, 1775 – November 9, 1775. The complete uniform would consist of purple hunting shirt, appropriate footwear, shirt, neckstock, haversack, shot pouch with powder horn or a cartridge box, slouch hat, breeches or appropriate equivalent, blue leggings (if appropriate for the conditions), and a musket, fowling piece or rifle. Other items appropriate to the time and situations may be added. (i.e., sash, belt, hawk, stockings, etc.).

e. Class C Uniform

This is the off-duty dress of the Regiment and may consist of any historically accurate clothing of the period, either civilian or military.

2. Nonuniformed Members

All nonuniformed members, unless otherwise specified, shall wear historically accurate civilian clothing appropriate to their portrayals but may include such items of military apparel as might reasonably be acquired while attached to a military unit.

a. Military Recruit

Basic outfit by the end of the first year, shall consist of the Alternate Impression Uniform. Since Recruit is expected to be assembling his Class A Uniform, he should add those items as he acquires them.

b. Civilian Male

Basic outfit should include civilian coat, shirt, waistcoat, breeches, stockings, shoes or boots, hat.

c. Civilian Female

Basic outfit should include chemise, bodice or waistcoat, skirt, hat or kerchief, apron.

D. Weapons

1. Firearms

a. All firearms shall be physically inspected by the Ordnance Officer.

b. Appropriate models include Musket reproduction or original, which meets any standards set by the Regiment, or an original or reproduction military muzzle-loading flintlock, preferable Brown Bess or Charleville, to include all locks using flint for ignition, a shoulder arm, 60 calibre or larger, and made prior to 1800.

c. Other firearms with approval of Field Staff.

2. Other

a. Bayonet appropriate to the musket.

b. Other weapons with approval of the Field Staff.

VI. AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

A. Proposed amendments to the By-Laws must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors which shall submit its recommendations to the members within sixty (60) calendar days of receipt and shall notify the members of the time, place, and date of the vote at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance.

B. Amendments shall be ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of voting members present. No proxies shall be accepted on amendment votes.

Provisos

Ratification of these By-Laws shall include the following stipulations:

1. All members presently eligible to vote shall maintain eligibility to vote until the Review of Credentials prior to the next General Election Meeting following ratification. Voting status shall then be determined based on participation during the 1989 Season.
2. Officers elected at the November 12, 1999 meeting shall hold the following positions until the next General Election Meeting:
Sergeant / Commander: T.J. Perkins shall hold both President and Sergeant / Lieutenant; First Corporal: A. Potyen shall hold both First Vice President and First Corporal; Second Corporal: S. Willer shall hold both Treasurer and Second Corporal; Adjutant: J. Rad shall be Treasurer.
Representative Staff Officer: A. Christofersen shall hold no office, there being no corresponding position under the new By-Laws and Constitution.
3. Election to fill the position of Recording Secretary for the 1989 Season shall be held immediately following ratification of the By-Laws and Constitution.
4. An Executive Session shall be called immediately following above election for the purpose of appointing new Staff Officers to serve for the 1989 Season.
5. Present member S. Hason shall be considered an Associate Member; requirement of parental involvement shall be waived.
6. Present Recruits M. Potyen and A. Christofersen shall begin their one (1) calendar year as Recruits with the date of the ratification of these By-Laws and Constitution.
7. The Francis family shall begin the 1989 Season as Applicants with attendance at one event to their credit. Sponsor requirement shall be waived.

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