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# **Site Rules**

These are Star Army's community guidelines (not to be confused with the Terms and Conditions which deal more with legal stuff). The staff and administration are responsible for interpreting and enforcing these.

## **Roleplaying Rules**

- For RP rules, see: Roleplaying
  - See also Player's Rights
- For character rules, see: characters
- For rules on groups and organizations, see factions
- For rules on adding articles to the setting canon, see Submission Rules
- Need to go? See Leaving a Plot or The Community for how to exit the site gracefully.

### **Code of Conduct**

We want the community to be enjoyable to its members and to be a fun place where members feel welcome.

- 1. We expect and require respectful behavior.
  - 1. Profanity is allowed in roleplay posts. It doesn't belong in discussion threads.
  - 2. Personal attacks or insulting others ("flaming") is not permitted.
  - 3. Deliberating causing drama ("trolling") is not permitted.
  - 4. Racist, bigoted, or other hate speech is a violation of the Terms and Conditions.
  - 5. Harassment will not be tolerated.
  - 6. Respect user privacy and don't post personal information. (See also: Privacy Policy).
- 2. Deceptive member behavior such as false ages and impersonating other members is not permitted.
  - 1. Don't sign up for more than one (normal) forum or wiki account. If you have multiple accounts, they will be merged. Note that you're allowed to change your username; to do this, post a request in the technical support forum.
  - 2. We've recently implemented a "sub accounts" feature that allows you to make secondary accounts on the forum; these are the only allowed type of additional accounts; this feature is currently available to Game Masters, Faction Managers, and Site Supporters (donators).
- 3. Copyrighted content is not permitted on the wiki unless you have rights to put it there. Copyrighted content is allowed as part of a discussion ("fair use") on the forums. For more information and DCMA takedown requests, see Terms and Conditions. Do not use the site as an image host or image board.
  - 1. Promoting piracy and warez is forbidden.
- 4. Adult content is not permitted on the wiki or in publicly-accessible forums. Adult RP is allowed in adult forums.
  - 1. Do not upload pornographic images anywhere on the site.

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- 5. Spam advertising is prohibited, and will result in you being reported to blacklists such as StopForumSpam.
- 6. Do not quote or repost content that violates the rules.
- 7. Do not undo admin or moderator edits to your posts.
- 8. Do not vandalize the wiki.

Violations of the above rules will typically result in a forum warning. Your content may be edited to remove content that violates the community guidelines. Multiple warnings, or severe violations, at discretion of the admins or staff, will result in a ban.

#### **Enforcement Guidelines**

#### Forum Moderators:

- Moderators should edit posts to remove the problem content, replacing it with a notice like: "This
  post has been edited to remove content that violated the Star Army code of conduct. ~~Moderator
  Doshii Jun."
- When a user commits a violation, they should receive a notice that explains why they were in the wrong and what action we took. This can be automated or via conversation.
- Discussions of specific rule violations should occur in private conversations, not on the forums. Attempts to "rules lawyer" moderator actions should be locked.

### **Mod Guidelines For Editing Posts**

- 1. Posts with rule violations will be generally edited to remove the violating content and leave the rest. If the whole post is an issue, the whole post will be removed.
- 2. Posts with errors in spelling, grammar, or BBCoding are sometimes edited to fix those errors when spotted. If a moderator edits a post, there is usually an automated notice at the bottom right that will say that a moderator edited it. Sometimes an admin may "silently" edit which does not show a notice.
- 3. Character actions and dialogue should not changed without prior discussion except for the error correction noted above.
- 4. Some forums, like the announcements and the news forum, are exceptions that are moderated to review or improve content before it is visible to the public, because they are the "voice of the site."

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