

Code Of Conduct

In [YE 39](#), Wasuremono Koharu wanted to expand on what it meant to act honorably in the event that a soldier was taken as a prisoner of war since it was not specified in the award guidelines for the [Chiharu Prisoner of War Medal](#) and made the proposal directly to [Taisho Ketsurui Yui](#).

The Code of Conduct provides guidance for the behavior and actions of members of the [Star Army of Yamatai](#). This guidance applies not only on the battlefield, but also in the event that the service member is captured and becomes a prisoner of war (POW). The Code is delineated in six articles.

Article I:

I am a Yamataian, fighting in the forces which guard my country and our way of life. I am prepared to give my life in their defense.

Article II:

I will never surrender of my own free will. If in command, I will never surrender the members of my command while they still have the means to resist.

Article III:

If I am captured I will continue to resist by all means available. I will make every effort to escape and aid others to escape. I will accept neither parole nor special favors from the enemy.

Article IV:

If I become a prisoner of war, I will keep faith with my fellow prisoners. I will give no information or take part in any action which might be harmful to my comrades. If I am senior, I will take command. If not, I will obey the lawful orders of those appointed over me and will back them up in every way.

Article V:

When questioned, should I become a prisoner of war, I am required to give name, rank, and date of birth. I will evade answering further questions to the utmost of my ability and I will deny access to my data to the best of my ability. I will make no statements, oral, written or telepathic, that are disloyal to my country and its allies or harmful to their cause.

Article VI:

I will never forget that I am an Yamataian, fighting for freedom, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principles which make my country free. I will trust in my Empress (Emperor), and in the Star Army of Yamatai.

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