

Appendix 1

Midrealm College Structure

The Structure of the Midrealm College of Heraldry

Officer Tiers

Heralds-at-Large

- A Herald-at-Large is a herald that is not the officer for a local group, and is not a Staff Herald.
- They can offer many different heraldic services, including voice heraldry, heraldic consults, and silent heraldry, according to their interests and desire.
- There is no requirement for this herald to hold any specific heraldic ranking.
- Reports yearly, to the Dragon Principal

Group Heraldry

- A Group Herald is a herald who is an officer of a local group. They can be called (Group Name) Pursuivant if they are the herald of a Shire or a subsidiary group like a Canton, or (Group Name) Herald if they are the herald of a Barony. It is permissible, if they are a Baronial Herald, to style themselves as (First Name) (Group Name), for example, if Jehan was the Middle Marches Herald, his name and title would be “Jehan Middle Marches”. If they are the group herald of a Barony or Shire (or other independent group) this office is a requirement for the group to exist. If they are the group herald of a subsidiary group, the office is optional, but may count toward the officer requirement for the group to maintain their active status.
- As the heraldic officer of a group, they are responsible for the development of heraldic activities in that group, which can include helping with the registry of names and armory, vocal heraldry at events, or helping people figure out how to use and display their heraldry.
- There is no requirement for this herald to hold any specific heraldic ranking.
- Reports to their Seneschal according to the requirements of that group. Independent Groups should report quarterly to the Regional and Dragon Herald, subsidiary groups should report yearly to the Regional and Dragon Herald.

Regional Heraldry

- A Regional Herald is the herald who is in charge of all the group heralds within one of the five regions of the Midrealm. They have the title of Herald, and as the Baronial Officers above, their surname may be replaced with the heraldic title appropriate to their region: (Name) Fenris for the Pentamere Regional, (Name) Oaken for the North Oaken Regional, (Name) Aethon for the South Oaken Regional, (Name) Lincoln for the Midlands Regional, and (Name) Constellation for the Constellation Regional.

- As the Regional Herald, they are responsible for shepherding all the heralds in their region, addressing issues of office staffing, and encouraging the development of heraldic activities in their region.
- They are required to maintain the rank of Herald-at-Arms.
- Reports to the Dragon Herald and Regional Seneschal quarterly.

Regional Deputies

Bicorporate Pursuivant (Oaken Deputy)
 Acanthus Pursuivant (Aethon Deputy)
 Praerie Pursuivant (Midlands Deputy)
 Lakes Pursuivant (Pentamere Deputy)
 Lunar Pursuivant (Constellation Deputy)

Staff Heralds

- A Staff Herald is one who does a specific job for the Kingdom, usually as a named herald, and is a deputy of the Dragon Principal, or a deputy of one of their deputies.
- Staff Heralds are required to report quarterly.

Pale Herald

- **Basic Duties:** Charged with arranging for the Herald-in-Charge of Royal Courts. Must have good email communication skills.
- This office requires the rank of Court Herald.

Clerk of Precedence

- **Basic Duties:** In charge of maintaining the Order of Precedence. Requires good computer skills, access to the internet, and good email communication skills.
- This office requires no heraldic rank.

Minister of Protocol

- **Basic Duties:** In charge of matters of protocol, especially in dealing with foreign royalty. It is suggested, but not required, that this office is held by a Royal Peer.
- It is recommended that this officer have the rank of Court Herald.

Dragon Signet

- Head of the Scribal College. Communicated directly with the Crown to assign scrolls for awards.
- This office requires no heraldic rank.

Signet Backlog Deputy

- Deputy to the Signet in charge of assigning backlogged scrolls.
- This office requires no heraldic rank.

Thuban Herald

- In charge of heraldic services for the deaf and hearing impaired.
- This office requires no heraldic rank.

Rouge Scarpe Herald

- External Submissions herald. Must have OSCAR access, and possess good email communication skills. Graphic arts knowledge is suggested.
- This office requires the rank of Book Herald.

Escutcheon Herald

- Internal Submissions herald. Must have OSCAR access, possess good email communication skills, and own a working scanner or have one provided with funds from the Dragon Exchequer. Graphic arts knowledge is suggested.
- This office requires the rank of Book Herald.

Opinicus Herald

- Notifications Deputy for the Submissions Team. OSCAR access required, as well as good email communication skills.
- This office requires the rank of Book Herald.

Meadows Herald

- In charge of Tournament Heraldry for Crown Tourney. This job comes with a lot of heavy gear, so this herald must be prepared to transport equipment or arrange for its transportation and safe storage.
- This office requires the rank of Court Herald.

Buckler Herald

- Deputy of Heraldic Education. Tasked with developing training materials to education heralds.
- This office requires the rank of Herald-at-Arms.

Shield Herald

- In charge of arranging for the staffing of heraldic consult tables at events.
- This office requires the rank of Book Herald.

Dragon Exchequer

- In charge of the financial obligations of the College of Heraldry. Submits payment to Laurel for submissions, and tracks payments from submitters.
- Must be a Warranted Exchequer.

Other Unassigned Heraldic Titles

- Incunabula Pursuivant
- Talvas Herald
- Targe Herald (buckler deputy for testing?)
- Taurine Pursuivant

Principal Herald

- The Dragon Principal Herald is the Chief herald for the Middle Kingdom. They may style themselves as (Name) Dragon, in the manner of the Baronial Heraldry above. They are entitled to wear the medallion of the Kingdom Herald, don a tabard or baldric bearing the arms of the Middle Kingdom, and carry a dragon-headed staff.
- A Member of Curia. Aggregates reports from various officers, Major domo in charge of Crown Tourney and Coronation, and lead the Midrealm Army at Pennsic. Cultivate heraldic activity of all kinds across the Kingdom. The person of contact between the Middle Kingdom and the Heraldic Sovereigns-at-Arms as well as the other Kingdom Principle Heraldry.
- This office requires the rank of Herald-at-Arms.
- This office reports quarterly to the Kingdom Seneschal, to the Laurel Sovereign as required by the Society bylaws, and attends regular Curia meetings.

Heraldic Ranks

Macer

A Macer is the name of a junior herald who has not achieved any heraldic ranking in the Midrealm College of Heraldry. Any person over the age of 15 can become a Macer by filling out a heralds report as a Herald-at-Large. After that point, to maintain the rank of Macer, they must report yearly at Domesday.

Court Herald

To rise to the rank of Warranted Court Herald, you must first be a Macer, spend at least three courts practicing vocal heraldry under the supervision of a Warranted Court Herald, and then pass the Court Herald's test. Court Heraldry must report yearly at Domesday, and retake the test every 5 years to maintain their ranking. The rank of Court Herald entitles you to be the lead court herald at a Royal Court and supervise other heralds on the dais.

Book Herald

To rise to the rank of Warranted Book Herald, you must first be a Macer, be an active commenter on OSCAR, and then pass the Book Herald's test. Book Heralds must report yearly at Domesday, and retake the test every 5 years to maintain their ranking. The rank of Book Herald entitles you to run Consulting Tables at events.

Herald-at-Arms

To rise to the rank of Warranted Herald-at-Arms, you must be both a Warranted Court Herald and a Warranted Book Herald.