



BYLAWS OF HOME STATE ROLEPLAY

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ARTICLE I NAME AND OFFICE

SECTION 1. Name

The name of this community shall be Home State Roleplay (“HSRP”).

SECTION 2. Registered Office

HSRP is dedicated to ensuring clarity and comprehension of these bylaws. In furtherance of this commitment, HSRP shall establish and maintain an office within its communication infrastructure expressly designated for the provision of support and guidance pertaining to the interpretation and elucidation of these bylaws.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES, OBJECTIVES AND DEFINITION

SECTION 1. Purpose and Objectives.

Home State Roleplay (HSRP) stands as a distinguished FiveM RP community, conceived with a fundamental purpose: to cultivate a secure, family-like environment for its esteemed members. Founded on principles of camaraderie, safety, and shared passion for roleplay, HSRP is dedicated to fostering a virtual haven where individuals can immerse themselves in a compelling and enjoyable experience. Through our commitment to excellence, HSRP endeavors to provide a platform that not only encourages creativity and collaboration but also sets the standard for a welcoming and engaging community within the realm of FiveM roleplaying.

SECTION 2. Definitions.

The following term(s) shall have the meaning indicated:

- A. “Board of Directors” - Committee of Department Heads & additionally noted members within HSRP.
- B. “Promotional Schedule” - Schedule in which promotions are based upon.
- C. “Donated Assets” - Refers to assets granted to HSRP which can not be returned. These assets often include MLOs, Vehicles, Scripts, and Vehicle Liveries.

ARTICLE II

COMMUNITY MEMBER GUIDELINES

SECTION 1. Hour Requirements

It is the objective of HSRP to promote community members' engagement in real-life events within their lives. To align with this goal, no hour requirements shall be imposed on any HSRP member without their explicit consent. Moreover, the status of 'inactive' may be assigned to a community member if they have not recently engaged with the community. Upon being categorized as 'inactive,' access to most privileges will be temporarily revoked as a precautionary measure for security reasons.

SECTION 2. Treatment of Community Members

HSRP takes pride in fostering a secure environment for all community members, and, with that commitment in mind, certain categories of actions are expressly prohibited by HSRP. These forbidden actions encompass sharing images of community members without their explicit consent, expressing opinions about a community member with the

explicit intent to cause emotional or physical harm, and publicly voicing negative opinions about the community without proposing a solution to the stated issue.

SECTION 3. Distribution of Community Property

HSRP unequivocally prohibits the utilization of any community property beyond the confines of the community. This encompasses, but is not confined to, documents, promotional videos, media, and systems. All content generated for HSRP that falls under the ownership of HSRP is subject to a 30-day grace period upon the departure of its creator. Throughout this stipulated grace period, documents crafted by the departing member will be retained for up to 30 days, allowing for the creation of a suitable replacement document. We firmly believe in the principle that what you create within or for HSRP remains your property, and we extend our best wishes for your endeavors outside our community. It is imperative to note that the grace period specified does not extend to donated assets.

SECTION 4. Broadcast/Recording of Server Assets

HSRP extends an open invitation to all community members to engage in streaming and recording activities. However, certain restricted assets (listed below) may not be showcased without explicit approval from a High Command Member or a Board of Directors Member. It is crucial to acknowledge that internal recordings exclusively utilized within the community are always permissible.

RESTRICTED ASSETS (MOST NOT BE UPLOADED/STREAMED):

- Department Discord Servers
- Restricted Channels within the HSRP Discord
- Teamspeak Office Channels without Office Owner Consent
- 10-1 Channels without All Party Consent
- Interview Channels

SECTION 5. Community Age Requirement

All individuals seeking membership within HSRP must be aged 14 or older, in compliance with the terms of service set forth by Discord.

ARTICLE III ROLEPLAY GUIDELINES

SECTION 1. Retirement/Revivment of Characters

While infrequent, characters may occasionally meet an 'unwilling' demise within the context of roleplay. In the pursuit of enhancing the quality of character storylines,

members are encouraged to employ, within reasonable bounds, any means necessary to safeguard the survival of their characters. Furthermore, in instances where a character is officially pronounced deceased within roleplay, community members are urged to communicate with their department Chain of Command (COC) and submit a 'character revive' request. All 'revive' requests will be considered and granted based upon the circumstances surrounding the character's demise and the overarching storyline.

SECTION 2. Sexual/Underage Roleplay

Given the community's welcome to content creators, certain types of roleplay are strictly prohibited. While underage roleplay over the age of 15 is allowed, any acts of gang violence, sexual actions, or other explicitly specified occurrences are strictly forbidden. Sexually suggestive roleplay is permitted, but explicit sexual roleplay will not be tolerated in any form.

SECTION 3. Out of Character Communication During Roleplay

Communication outside of roleplay while actively engaged in a roleplay scenario is allowed with specific stipulations. Members may not communicate with another member of a roleplay scene with the intent to gain an advantage over other members also involved in the same roleplay scenario. In essence, meta-gaming is strictly prohibited.

SECTION 4. Reference of OOC Scenarios During Roleplay

Permission is granted for occasional references to out-of-character (OOO) events or scenarios during roleplay, provided the primary intent is to infuse a sense of humor or contribute an authentic nostalgic layer to the unfolding events within the roleplay narrative. This allowance is rooted in the aim to foster a dynamic and enjoyable roleplaying experience, allowing members to seamlessly blend elements of their real-world experiences with the virtual scenarios they are collectively creating.

SECTION 4. Mental Health Roleplay

Roleplay with the intention of portraying real-world mental health issues is generally allowed. However, concerning suicide, scenes must not be centered around the act of suicide itself. For instance, if a character is cornered by the police on a roof, it would be permissible for the civilian to jump off the roof. Scenes should never be devised with the specific intent of replicating a suicide scenario. We acknowledge that emotional roleplay can be impactful, but it is essential to be mindful of the potential real-life trauma that some members of our community may have experienced.

SECTION 5. Unwritten Rules

To streamline information for community members and optimize the time of leadership, this document has been condensed to what the Board of Directors deems essential for day-to-day operations. It is assumed that as a roleplayer, you comprehend the fundamental rules of the community, such as those prohibiting RDP, VDP, fail RP, etc. These rules are considered standard and should not necessitate explicit documentation for members to adhere to them.

SECTION 6. Interference of Operations

Within HSRP, 'operations' are defined as the day-to-day occurrences or procedures within the community. This encompasses disciplinary hearings/discussions, other members' roleplay, and similar activities. Members are strictly prohibited from interfering with these 'operations' as it disrupts the experience for everyone else and undermines the overall enjoyment of the community.

SECTION 7. Use of OOC Chat

OOO chat is often used within servers to alert other members of quick & prompt messages. OOC chat shall not be used to carry on extended discussions within the server chat. Additionally, repetitive communications within OOC chat deemed unnecessary may result in disciplinary action.

ARTICLE IV COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION

SECTION 1. Promotion Cycles

To ensure equity within the community, promotions are exclusively conducted on two designated days each month, specifically, the second Saturday and fourth Saturday. These days are officially recognized as 'promotion days,' while the rest of the month is reserved exclusively for emergency promotions and evaluations. The announcement of promotions will be disseminated in each respective department's Discord server and prominently featured in the main Discord. Following promotions, each department is afforded a grace period of 5 days to assign or request the grant of permissions for newly promoted members.

SECTION 2. Blacklist of Members

To uphold a secure environment within the community, it is occasionally deemed necessary to place former members on the HSRP public blacklist, resulting in the

revocation of all permissions within the community. This decisive action is typically undertaken when members are identified as pedophiles, predators, or manipulators, with the aim of safeguarding the community from potential harm. When this action is taken, a unanimous Board of Directors decision must occur with all members voting for the action of public blacklist. It is crucial to note that in the event of all BOD members not being promptly accessible, it is permitted for the Community Owner to perform this action.

SECTION 3. Community Membership Status

In the event that a member opts to depart from a department or faces termination by a department member, permissions within the community will be expeditiously revoked. This is in adherence to the community's prerequisite of department membership for community affiliation. Members desiring to leave without forfeiting access to the primary channels of the Discord may apply for retirement status by contacting a Board of Directors member.