

De Canes Festibus
(Concerning the Fests of the Dogs)

By decree of the Department of Ceremonies, this document is meant to define and explain the new rule of Festivals (Fests) in the Dog club.

In the past fests (formerly known as chapters) have been a source of hoop, however flawed. The basic establishment of a fest was a very region based source which in some manner led to a sort of fest pride. This leads to a loyalty to one's fest rather than the club itself: DCNC, The Ducky, Camp Unleggit to name a few. Basically it was a shog load of ponita.

In this time of the Club we look for a more hooped solution. That solution is as follows.

Definition of a Dog Club Fest: A location or event established by the power of the Department of Ceremonies for the purpose of bringing hoop to the dogs.

- There are no longer any memberships for particular fests; rather by virtue of being in the club or officially invited to the fest you participate in fest hoop (nut to be confused with a hoop night).
- There are three major divisions of fests of the Dog club.
 - 1 **Permafests:** Designated place of hoop. There are no immediate plans for the corruption of these fests.
 - a.) Example: DCHQ, Dog Haus
 - 2 **Phase Fest:** A fest designated for a particular phase of the dog club. These fests are temporary, designed to survive until an official phase out. The fest corrupts immediately upon an official phase out decree by the Department of Rules, and will need to be reestablished as a fest if the phase ever phases back in.
 - a.) Example: MTG Location, Battle.net
 - 3 **Festival Dogmass:** A fest designated for Dogmass. These fests are of the highest essence and thus once instituted as a fest can never be corrupted or expelled. These fests have a dual property of transcending both space and time.
 - a.) Due to a Dogmass transcending time and space, one may petition for a contract of a Dogmass within the historical record. This Contract would require that one attended and played some role in hosting that particular Dogmass. This would also require the seal from the Department of Ceremonies, the Department of Rules, the Department of Judgment, and one who can vouch for your role within the context of that Dogmass.
 - b.) Example: Dogmass O'Stitch, Dogmass O'Wonder

Establishing a Fest:

In order to establish a fest one must complete a *Contractus Festum* (Festival Contract). The process will be different for a permanent or event fest.

- For a *permafest* one will need to seek the seal of both the Department of Ceremonies as well as the Department of Judgment. The judgement seal is ness in order to judge whether or nut this is a regular hoop spot, or if it is just some shogger trying to ledge their own sitch as a fest. Fests should be a common known hooped sitch, and dogs should agree that this location is worth being named as a fest.
- For a *Phase Fest*, you must seek the seal of three sources; the Department of Ceremonies, The Department of Judgment, and The Department of Rules. This is a little harder due to the fact that nut every hoop night should so easily be established as a fest.
- For a *Festival Dogmass*, one must contract a Dogmass as a host. This will require the Seal of the Department of Ceremonies, the Department of Rules, and the Department of Judgment. Multiple Dogs can and should host this fest as a team. You will also be the primary responsible party/parties for the basic Dogmass hoop and schedule, and as this particular Fest transcends space and time it cannot be corrupted or expelled. Therefore, you are responsible if you host O'Lodgmass.
- The *Contractus Festum* can be hooped both digitally, and physically. Either way it will be posted in the records on the foreverums once approved. (Bare in mind there is a distinct *Contractus Festum* for Contracting a Dogmass)

Destruction of a Fest:

A Permafest can be destroyed in two ways; Simple corruption, or expulsion from the Dog Club.

- For a simple corruption one must fill out a Dimissus ex Contractus Festum (Disbandment of Festival Contract). You will need to seek the seal of The Department of Ceremonies, and The Department of Judgment. This method is valid for both permanent fests as well as phase fests (if one chooses to have an official decree of phase aus).
 - a.) For a Phase Fest, this will not be ness if decreed by the Department of Rules that the phase is phased out prior to contracting an official phase out.
 - b.) For a Permafest, simply fill out a Dimissus ex Contractus Festum with the proper seals.
- For an Expulsion of a permafest one must fill out an Exilio ex Contractus Festum (Expulsion of Festival Contract). For this you will need to seek the Seal of the Department of Ceremonies, and the Department of Expulsion.
- A Festival Dogmass cannot be corrupted or expelled.

