

The Companions of the Crow

Field Ranks

Seniority is based on the criteria of field rank and length of time served in that rank. Promotions will be decided by a Promotions Committee consisting of five members to be elected at the Annual General Meeting. A junior member to be elected to the post of Herald at the Annual General Meeting may also attend meetings of the Promotions Committee and shall be assisted by them in his/her duties.

Combatants

1. Levy
2. Man-at-arms
3. Sergeant-at-arms
4. Captain-at-arms
5. Knight Bachelor
6. Knight in Service
7. Knight Banneret

Archers

1. Levy
2. Archer
3. Sergeant of Archers
4. Captain of Archers
5. Knight Bachelor (Archers)
6. Knight in Service (Archers)
7. Knight Banneret (Archers)

Non-Combatants

1. Peasant
2. Master Mistress
3. Yeoman Lady in Waiting

4. Gentleman Lady

Juniors

1. Serf
2. Peasant
3. Page
4. Squire

Herald Pursuivant of the Companions of the Crow

Regalia

Proper, smart medieval costume with a minimum of a Crow badge.

Duties

With the assistance of the Promotions Committee

- a) To assess for approval the coat of arms of each Knight Elect.
- b) To create a roll of arms with pictorial illustration and armorial blazon of each Knight.
- c) To make a grant of arms for each new Knight.

Promotions

Promotions will be based on the member's

- a) Fighting prowess (if the member is a combatant)
- b) Standard of equipment
- c) Commitment to the Companions
- d) Attendance
- e) Leadership abilities
- f) Record of reputable conduct

The Promotions Committee should consult the Safety Officer, Training Officer and anyone else they think appropriate whilst considering promotion for a Companion. Once consensus has been reached, and if the promotion has been agreed upon, the Companion to be promoted should be informed along with the Honorary Secretary for updating of records.

The field rank of any member is not a bar to office within the Companions. Any new member to the Companions will start at the lowest of field rank and may not be promoted more than three times between Annual General Meetings.

Any Companion may refuse a promotion or may demote themselves by informing the Honorary Secretary. Non-combatant members are not obliged to hold a field rank.

Any Companion promoted to Knight Bachelor must provide their chosen personal blazons and devices to the Promotions Committee for consensual approval.