

The Merchant's Guild Charter

A solemn covenant binding together the merchant houses and trading companies of the realm. This charter establishes the foundational principles of fair commerce, ethical trading practices, and mutual protection among all guild members. Through this agreement, merchants pledge to uphold standards of quality, honesty in dealings, and collective prosperity that shall elevate trade throughout the known world.

Fair Pricing and Honest Measures: All guild members shall conduct trade using standardized measures and honest weights. Pricing shall be fair and transparent, with no fraud or deception permitted in the sale of goods. Violations of honest trade practices shall result in fines and loss of trading privileges.

Quality Assurance of Merchandise: Every product offered for sale must meet stringent quality standards established by the guild. Defective goods shall be replaced without cost to the buyer. Merchants who repeatedly sell substandard merchandise shall face public censure and revocation of guild membership.

Protection of Trade Routes: The guild shall collectively fund the defense of major trade routes against bandits and brigands. Safe passage shall be guaranteed for all members' caravans traveling under the guild seal. Any merchant attacked on protected routes shall receive compensation from the guild treasury.

Mutual Aid and Support: Guild members in financial distress shall receive assistance from the collective fund established by annual contributions. No merchant shall be left without livelihood if they have honored their commitments to the guild. In times of crisis, members shall support one another with goods and capital.

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Merchant Wilhelm
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