

Charter



Mission Statement:

The ViridArx community was designed to empower creators and team players in the online multiplayer gaming environment. We emphasize innovation over “meta”, and teamwork over talent. We are united by our love of strategy games rather than an individual content creator, and since we are not a monarchy, this charter lays down our law.

I) Identity:

ViridArx was formed to help our members gain skill at any of the various eSports or computer games we play and are interested in. Competition is the lifeblood of our guild, and we leverage showmatches/tournaments both as motivation to improve and as a metric to measure our personal growth. As a member of ViridArx, I understand and accept that:

- i) I cannot be a part of ViridArx and another clan at the same time, unless that clan and ViridArx would never meet in battle (from having no overlap in the eSports they play). A clan is defined as a group of players who enter competitions together (not simply a group of friends).
- ii) If I play one of the games with a dedicated category in the server, I am expected to play it with other ViridArx members from time to time. I may take a break from any/all of the games for as long as I need.
- iii) As long as either ViridArx or a rival clan have not yet been eliminated from the same upcoming/ongoing tournament/showmatch, I will not play with members from that rival clan in settings similar to that competition (thereby helping to train ViridArx's opponents to publicly defeat our own guild).
- iv) I will include "ViridArx" in the name of my team when registering for team competitions.
- v) I will include the ViridArx "clan tag" in front of my name during competitions: [VRDX].
- vi) I am encouraged to help fellow guild members prepare for upcoming/ongoing tournaments/showmatches.

II) Communication:

A guild is a social construct that can exist only through effective communication. As a member of ViridArx, I understand and accept that:

- i) Although not everyone in the ViridArx discord server is a member of ViridArx, ALL ViridArx members must be in this server. I will therefore observe all rules governing participation in this server, found in the rules-courthouse thread. ***
- ii) I can belong to as many servers as I wish, but I will not create or administer a server that competes with ViridArx.
- iii) I agree to use a microphone and voice channel for seamless coordination with my team in critical competitions.

- iv) I am not required to stream or participate in the broadcasts of any other members.

*** Note that members of ViridArx who stream are not required to observe the rules of the ViridArx server on their broadcasts. Platforms like Twitch and Youtube have their own regulations for acceptable content. Streamers are still required to observe the terms of this charter, however, since they are public representatives of the guild.

III) Philosophy:

Sections I-II are administrative --the nuts and bolts holding most clans/guilds together. If you find them agreeable, you could probably belong to any of 95% of the eSports organizations out there. This section outlines the specific values of ViridArx:

- i) We're good people who care about the feelings of strangers (simply because it's the right thing to do). We're confident enough in our own abilities that we don't need to put down or insult our opponents even if many would say they deserve it. We don't demand their resignation if they look like they're losing, nor do we make losing (or winning) personal. We're the kind of people who will provide a technical reason for winning rather than "because I'm awesome".
- ii) We're teamwork-minded people who won't resign in team-games without agreement from the rest of the team. We also don't get salty when we lose, and although we will reflect on our losses and are critical of mistakes, we always provide that feedback in a constructive manner, with the confidence that others can learn from their mistakes in order to become better, as have we all.
- iii) We're honest people who believe in victory through merit. We never engage in stream/spec cheating, entering tournaments with alternate/friend's account, or deliberate elo tanking to try and be seeded in an unnaturally low bracket that doesn't reflect a true skill level.
- iv) There's no elo requirement to be a member of ViridArx. We are therefore a guild whose members vary greatly in skill. Although we're always on the prowl for skilled players to learn from, we're all equals. We never let rank or title act as a substitute for having a good argument and being able to provide reason/evidence to support a statement or conclusion. Additionally, our server rules and charter are enforced equally across all skill levels.

IV) Membership:

- i) Any user of the ViridArx server may invite anyone to join the server. They will be bound only by the #rules-courthouse.
- ii) Process: There are four tiers to ViridArx membership, they are:

{Applicant} --> A server user who has messaged an {Officer} expressing interest in joining "ViridArx" and pledged to uphold our values. They receive no advanced permissions, but are in consideration for membership.

{Provisional Member} --> An {Applicant} who, after a certain period of time, has been deemed by all {Officers} to be a good candidate for membership, based on positive experience in team games and server interaction. {Provisional Members} gain access to all threads in the server and are eligible to represent ViridArx in competitions. When a user of the ViridArx server becomes an {Applicant}, they are pledging to uphold our values. When {Applicant} becomes a {Provisional Member}, the guild has reached the subjective point in which they believe that pledge, and the journey to full {Member} is "green-lit" as reasonable, based on experience with that person.

{Member} --> A {Provisional Member} who has continued to uphold the tenets of this charter through the accumulation of 100 "participation points". See Appendix A for a table detailing how these "participation points" may be earned. Full membership cannot be revoked except by the most severe

violation of server rules or charter, and provides the following additional benefits:

- Access to custom server emoji.
- Authority to post in #biographies thread.
- Authority to mention @everyone (please exercise restraint).
- Authority to host official ViridArx events (such as community games) and post the results in the appropriate #trophy-wall.
- Access to text channel for full member discussion, where guild programming is determined, and goal-setting/monitoring is discussed.

{Officer} --> Someone who TechChariot has known for years and trusts to be fully behind the mission of ViridArx. There's no application process to become {Officer}. Instead, TechChariot will invite a {Member} to be an {Officer} to help keep up with the moderation needs of a growing server. In addition to having full read/write access to all channels in this server, {Officers} have the authority to delete messages that aren't theirs, create/delete/archive categories/threads, and assign/remove/modify roles.

iii) Offboarding:

If you no longer wish to be a member of ViridArx, we'll be sad to see you go, but we'll understand. Just send an Officer a message and we'll take care of it. As long as you do this, you'll be welcomed back at any time, with an accelerated application should you re-apply for membership.

V) Streaming:

Consistent upload of high-quality videos to the internet is important in maintaining and growing interest in any online gaming community, and ViridArx is no different. Members are encouraged to create content, especially in the form of live broadcasts. ViridArx offers the {Streamer} role to any {Provisional Member} or {Member} who would like the guild's support in creating content. Members may opt-in or out of the {Streamer} role at any time, and it will have no effect on their standing with the guild.

The benefits of having the {Streamer} role are:

- A bot will post in the announcements channel whenever the {Streamer} goes live.
- {Streamer}s can enter the TV-voice channel directly, and move anyone from the assembly-hall voice channel to join them in TV-voice. This feature is used to protect broadcasts from intrusion by random server users.
- {Streamer}s can create "Events" in the ViridArx server to mark their presentations on the calendar.
- {Streamer}s gain the ability to reserve possible broadcast time on the ViridArx stream schedule. No other {Streamer} will broadcast at the same time, splitting viewers. +++
- {Streamer}s are often invited by ViridArx leadership to broadcast guild-organized events and/or events with guild-created resources (for example, a tournament played on maps created by ViridArx members).

Members with the {Streamer} role are expected to:

- Include the !discord command in the chat of their broadcast, directing viewers to the ViridArx server: <https://discord.gg/h9DvzHBNPr>
 - Respect the time reserved for other streamers on the stream schedule. It is okay to broadcast during a time reserved for another, as long as that {Streamer} gives consent. Consent is still required even if the other streamer is not currently broadcasting during their assigned time. Streaming during open times (when nobody is on the schedule) is available on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - Refrain from joining an occupied TV-voice channel unless invited.
- +++ Note that as the number of streamers in the guild grows, scheduling will become more difficult and this policy will be revisited. Multiple "BROADCAST TOWER" can be created to support simultaneous streaming of different games.

Appendix A: Breakdown of Activities to Earn Full Membership

Game	Activity	Points Earned
Age of Empires II	Participate in an (internal/external) 4v4 team competition on behalf of the clan.	External 9 per game Internal: 7 per game
Age of Empires II	Participate in an (internal/external) 3v3 team competition on behalf of the clan.	External 8 per game Internal: 6 per game
Age of Empires II	Participate in an (internal/external) 2v2 team competition on behalf of the clan.	External 7 per game Internal: 5 per game
Age of Empires II	Participate in an (internal/external) 1v1 or Free for All competition on behalf of the clan.	External 4 per game Internal: 2 per game
Age of Empires II	Participate in ViridArx community games.	Internal: 1 per game
World of Warships	Participate in World of Warships random battle with one or two other full clan members in your “division”.	One: 1 per battle Two: 2 per battle
World of Warships	Compete in clan battles.	5 per battle
League of Legends	Play a PVP game in Summoner's Rift with at least one other full clan member. NOTE: The same rule applies in custom games in Summoner's Rift. So if both teams are exclusively full clan members, earn up to 9 points.	1 per game per full member on pre-made team (max of 4)
League of Legends	Play a Bot Match in Summoner's Rift with at least one full clan member.	1 per game
League of Legends	Play a game of ARAM in the Howling Abyss with at least one full clan member.	2 per game
League of Legends	Play a match of Teamfight Tactics with at least one full clan member.	Place Finish: 8th: 0 points/game 7-2: 1 point/game 1st: 2 points/game
Civilization V/VI	Compete in a ‘season’ of Civilization V or VI with at least two full clan members.	Marathon Speed Turns Divided by 100
Axis & Allies	Participate in a game with a full clan member on your team. Victory Cities enabled.	4 per round starting round 3

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R1	Copied into electronic document, no substantive changes	02/24/22
R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Added “Mission Statement” ➤ Section I.iv revised FROM: “I will include "ViridArx" in the name of my team when registering for competitions if 100% of my team are ViridArx members.” TO: “I will include "ViridArx" in the name of my team when registering for team competitions.” ➤ Section II.i revised FROM: “Although not everyone in the ViridArx discord server is a member of ViridArx, ALL ViridArx members must be in this discord server. I will therefore observe all rules governing participation in this server, found in the #discord-rules thread. ***” TO: “Although not everyone in the ViridArx discord server is a member of ViridArx, ALL ViridArx members must be in this server. I will therefore observe all rules governing participation in the server, found in the rules-courthouse thread. *** ” ➤ Section II, *** first sentence FROM: “Note that members of ViridArx who stream are not required to observe the rules of this discord on their broadcasts.” TO: “Note that members of ViridArx who stream are not required to observe the rules of the ViridArx server on their broadcasts.” ➤ Section III.iv revised FROM: “Additionally, our discord rules/charter are enforced equally across all skill levels.” TO: “Additionally, our server rules and charter are enforced equally across all skill levels.” ➤ Section IV.i revised FROM: “Any member of the ViridArx Discord may invite anyone to join the server. They will be bound only by the #discord-rules.” TO: “Any user of the ViridArx server may invite anyone to join the server. They will be bound only by the rules-courthouse.” ➤ Section IV.ii first sentence revised FROM: “Process: There are seven tiers to ViridArx membership, they are:” TO: “Process: There are four tiers to ViridArx membership, they are:” ➤ Section IV.ii, {Applicant} section revised FROM: “{Applicant} --> A {Guest} who has messaged an {Officer} 	03/16/22

	<p>expressing interest in joining "ViridArx" and pledged to uphold our values. Their permissions are identical to {Guest} except they are in consideration for membership.”</p> <p>TO:</p> <p>“{Applicant} --> A server user who has messaged an {Officer} expressing interest in joining "ViridArx" and pledged to uphold our values. They receive no advanced permissions, but are in consideration for membership.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Section IV.ii REMOVED {No Role}, {Guest}, and {Man Behind the Curtain}, their text WAS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “{No Role} --> Someone who just joined the discord but hasn't yet accepted the rules so MEE6 bot hasn't given them the guest role. They can only see the #welcome, #discord-rules, and #server-icon-art threads. {Guest} --> Someone who has joined the server and agreed to the basic discord rules, so MEE6 has granted them access to all channels that aren't private. {Man Behind the Curtain} --> The man, the myth, the legend, the one and only TechChariot. Rumor has it he's so powerful, he can make and destroy {Officers} with the stroke of a finger!” ➤ Section IV.ii {Provisional Member} ADDED the following sentence to the end of the paragraph: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “When a user of the ViridArx server becomes an {Applicant}, they are pledging to uphold our values. When {Applicant} becomes a {Provisional Member}, the guild has reached the subjective point in which they believe that pledge, and the journey to full {Member} is “green-lit” as reasonable, based on experience with that person.” ➤ Section IV.ii {Member} text revised FROM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “{Member} --> A {Provisional Member} who has continued to uphold the values of the guild through the stress and rigor of two competitions. Full membership cannot be revoked except by the most severe violation of server rules or charter.” <p>TO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “{Member} --> A {Provisional Member} who has continued to uphold the tenets of this charter through the accumulation of 100 “participation points”. See Appendix A for a table detailing how these “participation points” may be earned. Full membership cannot be revoked except by the most severe violation of server rules or charter, and provides the following additional benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Access to custom server emoji. ➤ Authority to post in #biographies thread. ➤ Authority to mention @everyone (please exercise restraint) ➤ Authority to host official ViridArx events (such as community games) and post the results in the appropriate #trophy-wall. ➤ Access to text channel for full member discussion, where guild programming is determined, and goal-setting/monitoring is discussed.” ➤ ADDED Section V: Streaming
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