

Official Charter of the Role Playing Game Shop Quest Group (Scotland)

This charter sets out the aims and responsibilities of the members of the Role Playing Game Shop Quest Group (Scotland) hereafter referred to as RPG S.Q.G.S.

Aims

It is the aim of the RPG S.Q.G.S that its members locate all the Role Playing Game (RPG) Shops in Scotland, within the 2003 calendar year.¹

Further, it is the aim of the RPG S.Q.G.S that all of the RPG Shops located in Scotland are visited ,within the 2003 calendar year, by at least two members of the RPG S.Q.G.S., at least one of whom must also be a member of the Ruling Council of the RPG S.Q.G.S., and assessed to ascertain if the Shop qualifies for an official Certificate of Visitation

For a shop to be awarded with a Certificate of Visitation it must be proved to the satisfaction of the visiting RPG S.Q.G.S members, and the member of the Ruling Council, that the Shop meets all 5 of the RPG Shop criteria. If the 5 criteria are met, then a Certificate of Visitation can be issued.

The RPG S.Q.G.S. Members must also provide proof that the shop has met the 5 criteria. Acceptable forms of proof are still photographs, digital video, or the presentation of goods purchased with a till receipt.

It is also the aim of the RPG S.Q.G.S to have the endeavours of its members towards these aims, recorded in the Annals of the RPG S.Q.G.S, and in a format accessible to the public. This can be in a digital format on the internet, in book form, a tele-visual documentary, or through a lecture tour.

Members Responsibilities

Each member of the RPG S.Q.G.S should endeavour to locate a RPG shop in Scotland, and transmit all relevant information to fellow members.

Each member of the RPG S.Q.G.S should endeavour to visit the RPG Shop along with other members of the RPG S.Q.G.S. and a member of the Ruling Council

Each member of the RPG S.Q.G.S should advise the other members on the success of their endeavours.

Each member of the RPG S.Q.G.S should ensure that the details of their efforts is recorded correctly in the Annals of the RPG S.Q.G.S. and on the official website of the RPG S.Q.G.S at www.users.totalise.co.uk/~jglightrness/RPGSQGS.html.

¹ The official RPG S.Q.G.S definition of what constitutes a RPG Shop is attached as an appendix to this document.

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Membership Requirements

A prospective member must contact the ruling council of the RPG S.Q.G.S in order to petition for admittance.

The prospective member must prove to the ruling council that they regularly play Role Playing Games.

The prospective member must agree to uphold the aims of the RPG S.Q.G.S and to execute their responsibilities to the best of their ability.

An official Membership Number will be allocated to each successful petitioner. This membership number will be generated by rolling 3D6 six times.

Details of the members of the RPG S.Q.G.S will be recorded in the Annals of the RPG S.Q.G.S and members names will be publicly available on the official website of the RPG S.Q.G.S at www.users.totalise.co.uk/~jglightrness/RPGSQGS.html.

Ruling Council Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the members of the Ruling Council of the RPG S.Q.G.S to oversee the actions of the members of the RPG S.Q.G.S., to this end they should meet at least once per month to discuss the business of the RPG S.Q.G.S.

Further, it is the responsibility of the members of the Ruling Council to maintain, and update, the Annals of the RPG S.Q.G.S and the official website of the RPG S.Q.G.S at www.users.totalise.co.uk/~jglightrness/RPGSQGS.html.

It is the responsibility of the members of the Ruling Council to accompany members of the RPG S.Q.G.S. on their visits to RPG Shops and to oversee and officiate at the presentation of Certificates of Visitation.

It is the responsibility of the members of the Ruling Council to publicise the aims and actions of the RPG S.Q.G.S. by word and by deed.

Only members of the Ruling Council of the RPG S.Q.G.S. may table amendments to the Official Charter of the RPG S.Q.G.S. All amendments must be ratified through the unanimous vote of the Members of the Ruling Council.

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Ruling Council Requirements

The inaugural Ruling Council shall be comprised of those persons who were first to ratify the Official Charter of the RPG S.Q.G.S.

Subsequent admissions to the Ruling Council are open only to members of the RPG S.Q.G.S. who have located, visited and certified 3 RPG shops, and then only after a ballot of the current members of the Ruling Council.

Membership and other Fees

The RPG S.Q.G.S. will never charge any fee for Membership.

The RPG S.Q.G.S. will never charge any fee for issuing a Certificate of Visitation.

The RPG S.Q.G.S. will never charge any fee for listing an authenticated RPG Shop in the Annals of the RPG S.Q.G.S.

The RPG S.Q.G.S. will never charge any fee for listing an authenticated RPG Shop on its official website.

It's all for the love of the games, and to support RPG Shops in Scotland.

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Appendix 1

The Definition of a Role Playing Game² (RPG) Shop.

To qualify for a Certificate of Visitation a RPG Shop must meet the following 5 criteria.

1. The business must be operated from premises accessible to the general public, i.e. a shop.
2. The business must sell Core Rule Books for several different Role Playing Games, from different publishers.
3. The business must sell Supplemental Rule Books for several different Role Playing Games, from different publishers.
4. The business must sell Pre-Generated Adventures for several Role Playing Games, from different publishers.
5. The business must sell supplemental items of interest to players of Role Playing Games, such as Dice, Metal Figures, Role Playing Magazines, GM Shields, etc.

² The term Role Playing Game is used in this document to refer to a *Pen and Paper* or *Table top* Role Playing Game, and no other form of Role Playing Game.

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Appendix 2

Visitation checklist

1. Does the business operated from premises accessible to the general public?

Y/N ___ Form of Proof obtained _____

2. Does the business sell Core Rule Books for several different Role Playing Games, from different publishers?

Y/N ___ Form of Proof obtained _____

3. Does the business sell Supplemental Rule Books for several different Role Playing Games, from different publishers?

Y/N ___ Form of Proof obtained _____

4. Does the business sell Pre-Generated Adventures for several Role Playing Games, from different publishers?

Y/N ___ Form of Proof obtained _____

5. Does the business sell supplemental items of interest to players of Role Playing Games, such as Dice, Metal Figures, Role Playing Magazines, GM Shields, etc?

Y/N ___ Form of Proof obtained _____

If the answer to all 5 questions is Y, and acceptable proof has been obtained³, then the business can be considered a RPG Shop and qualifies for a Certificate of Visitation.

³ Acceptable forms of proof are: still photographs, digital video, or the presentation of goods purchased with a till receipt.

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Appendix 3

Visitation Certificate Record Form

This form should be used to record the issue of a Certificate of Visitation.. The completed form should be passed to a member of the RPG S.Q.G.S Ruling council so the Annals of the RPG S.Q.G.S. and the official website of the RPG S.Q.G.S. can be updated.

Name of the recipient of the Certificate of Visitation on the behalf of the Business.

Name of Recipient _____

Name of RPG Shop _____

Address of RPG Shop _____

Date of Visitation _____

Visitation Certificate number _____

Record the forms of proof which are to be presented to the Ruling Council

1. The business is operated from premises accessible to the general public.

Form of Proof _____

2. The business sells Core Rule Books for several different Role Playing Games, from different publishers.

Form of Proof _____

3. The business sells Supplemental Rule Books for several different Role Playing Games, from different publishers.

Form of Proof _____

4. The business sells Pre-Generated Adventures for several Role Playing Games, from different publishers.

Form of Proof _____

5. The business sells supplemental items of interest to players of Role Playing Games, such as Dice, Metal Figures, Role Playing Magazines, GM Shields, etc.

Form of Proof _____

Names of the RPG S.Q.G.S. Members who presented the Certificate of Visitation.

Name _____ Membership Number _____

(If more members were present, please continue list overleaf.)

Name of the Ruling Council Member who officiated at the presentation.

Name _____ Membership Number _____