* **Name Submission Requirements**

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Everything heraldry related is covered under the rules for submissions. Naming takes up the first half heraldry takes up the second.

<http://heraldry.sca.org/laurel/rfs.html>

In general names must be plausibly period, should be from a single culture and time (within 100 years), or from cultures that had documented interaction.  If you want it registered, it has to have a full element of difference from any other registered name. There is an allowance if you want to use your modern name as part of your sca name, even if your modern name is not period.  You cannot use your entire modern name. For example, I could be Megan of Starleaf Gate, or Elizabeth Anhorn but not Megan Anhorn.  Names cannot be offensive, vulgar, allude to derogatory sterotypes, nor can they bring to mind anything too modern. (Diot Cok is a very period /Welsh?/ name but will never pass because it's pronounced Diet Coke.)

You do have to document your name when sending in your submission form.  Make photocopies of any reference book including the title page the page(s) that your name comes up on, print out copies (including url) of any webpage. You don't have to send copies of any website that has 'HERALDRY.SCA.ORG' as part of it.  Other items that do not need to be photocopied can be found at <http://heraldry.sca.org/laurel/admin.html#APPENDIXH> My main recommendation for website research is the Academy of St. Gabriel [http://www.s-gabriel.org/](http://www.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.s-gabriel.org%2F&h=fAQHJiZ8W&s=1) Everything that isn't on the "problem names project" is good, if you use an offsite link from there, your name will be fine, but you'll have to send copies, if you're name is out of their on site archive you don't. (see Appendix H above)

Although not official yet, [http://heraldry.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/rfs\_final\_draft.html#AppendixA](http://www.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Fheraldry.sca.org%2Fheraldry%2Flaurel%2Frfs_final_draft.html%23AppendixA&h=9AQHgZ5wH&s=1) has lists of what can be combined in regards to languages, what doesn't need to be documented, stuff like that. I'll update when it becomes official and they change the location of the document.

<http://www.midrealm.org/heraldry/forms/Middle_name-i-inter%20rev%205.pdf>

Name form:

* 1. Fill in the SCA name that you want to register on the Society Name line.
  2. Fill in your legal name, address, phone, e-mail address and date of birth on the appropriate lines.
  3. The “branch name” line is the name of the SCA group you play with.
  4. Check the box next to the appropriate gender.
  5. Under Name type, fill in one box. Most submissions will be primary.
  6. Under Action type, fill in one box. If this is a resubmission, check the box next to who returned your last submission.
  7. If you consulted with a herald, write in the person’s SCA name and e-mail/phone number in the appropriate lines.
  8. If this is a resubmission, fill in the “name previously submitted but not registered”, “kingdom previous name submitted from” and “date returned” lines.
  9. Read through the “Name Processing Criteria” VERY carefully. If you want a name for a specific time, culture, and/or meaning, this is where you need to put that information.
  10. Record and attach all documentation for your name. Include the title of the book, the author, the publisher, the date of publication, the page number, and the header (if applicable). If you are using a web site – include the complete URL and the date it was accessed.