
THE DEPUTY'S CREED

A BIG SISTER

GULLIVER MINECRAFT SERVER

GUIDEBOOK

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You are a Deputy!

Let there be no doubt in your mind that you are a free person! Free to enjoy our world the way it was meant to be lived in... through pure, unbridled survival! Even now, you combat the bloodthirsty beasts of the dark, fell the mighty trees of the forests, chisel the ancient stones of the earth, and harvest the nourishing foods of your plantations! You are a builder of greatness, a crafter of exquisitries, a fighter of legends, and an explorer of vast frontiers – yet you do it through the sweat of your brows and the bittersweetness of your tears, and you won't have it any other way! In short, you are free to truly have fun through the pride and joy of your accomplishments!

But make no mistake, you are NOT a normal player! You are NOT a simple bystander, helpless against the forces of evil that would terrorize our Server, and impotent to stop the crimes around you! You are NOT a drag to the ranks of godly Moderators that traditionally would burden themselves with all the unpleasanties of Server life management! You are NOT selfish, untrustworthy, useless or lazy, nor have you ever feared to tackle challenges that lesser players would give up on just by the mere *hint* of hardship!

You are precisely the kind of person to volunteer for this noble position of law enforcement! You want to protect and serve your community and fellow Players! You want the Staff to entrust you with delegated tasks! You want to serve as a role model for Players new and old!

Yet you do not want to lose your Humanity doing so, because it is precisely your Humanity that gives you your greatest strength! Your Humanity is what gives you a sense of kinship and understanding to the Players, their homes, their belongings and their plight! It is your Humanity that enhances your virtues of courage, dedication and responsibility, and inspires Players to believe in themselves rather than covet the power of the gods!

And it is your Humanity that drives and motivates you to join the frontline defense of our Server!! To swell the protector ranks to encompass all regions and time zones!! To contribute to our ongoing war against theft, griefery, intolerable idiocy and morale depravity!! To shame those mediocritites who pathetically snivel, whine and beg for Creative Mode, as if that was the only way to be helpful on our Server!! To strive to be a loyal, helpful and trusted member of our Staff!! And to stand for all that is proud and good on our Server!!

YOU ARE DEPUTIES!!! AND YOU ARE LEGION!!!

To help you in your new-found duty to protect and defend our Server, this new list of Rights and Responsibilities has been compiled for you to enhance your law enforcement potential. Bear in mind that since you were chosen by your Reporting Moderator or Commissioner, you may receive additional instructions on top of those described below.

Rights

1. With the exceptions of #2, #4, #5, and #6, you have the right to carry over all rights from your Veteran's Creed.
2. You have the right to new teleportation abilities that can allow you quick transit across our world, in addition to assuming Player ferrying duties as part of Staff delegation.
3. You have the right to some law enforcement commands, such as the ability to kick or incarcerate offending Novice players to correct misbehavior in the absence of a Moderator or Commissioner.
4. You have the right to overpowered (so called "OP") weapons, gear or buffs from your Reporting Moderator or Commissioner to assist with your law enforcement duties. These should not exceed a factor of 25 unless otherwise permitted by special mandate.
5. You have the right to healing and repairing commands [if available], and permission to offer (or sell) these service to Players
6. You have the right to kill Players as a last-resort means of enforcement, so long as you have exhausted all non-lethal disciplinary measures first.
7. You have the right to request an emergency de-whitelisting or tempban from an off-duty Field Moderator or Owner, if no qualified Moderator or Commissioner is on premise.
8. You have the right to a daily stipend equivalent to 1 Cheese block per day, so long as payouts are bulked weekly and coordinated through the forum only to facilitate accurate bookkeeping.
9. You have the right to request a free redstone contraption from a Field Moderator or Owner if this is directly relevant to your job function (e.g., personal teleporters, personal buff machines).
10. You have the right to post opinions or grievances in staff-related posts on the forum, so long as these are well thought-out.
11. You have the right to request item or building favors from your Reporting Moderator or Commissioner only, if these are relevant to your job function (e.g, armor, bedrock, etc).
12. You have the right to redirect all roleplaying on the global chat channel to our official RP chat channels (RP1 and RP2), regardless of rank. Roleplaying on the global chat channel is strictly forbidden, and players who wish to roleplay must install TabbyChat per Ciabatta's guide.
13. You have the right to act as mediator between a Player and Staff, if the Player is physically, emotionally or systematically incapable of doing so on their own behalf.
14. You have the right to refuse some requests from other Moderators or Commissioners that are not your direct report, so long as you respectfully provide a valid reason for it. However, repeated refusals will be taken as an offense and could lead to punitive measures.
15. You have the right to assist with critical Forum functions such as the Little Brother committee or stipend bookkeeping duties, so long as you can perform these functions reliably and responsibly.
16. You have the right to request a copy of the server.log for any given day, if this is to help in a specific investigation for an alleged crime on the server.

Responsibilities

1. Please be knowledgeable of all Rights and Responsibilities detailed in the Novice, Veteran and Deputy's Creeds, so as to become a subject matter expert for players seeking advice.
2. Please refrain from asking for a Commissioner or Moderator position, as you're already in a significant position of power over other players. Higher level positions require more work and more responsibilities, so it's not necessarily a reward.
3. Please do not take for granted the trust the Staff has placed on you; do not use your powers to bully innocent players, devolve into obnoxious bragging, commit petty crimes, or harass Staff members, as this can result in demotion or worse.
4. Never kick a Moderator or Commissioner from the server, unless you have their consent as part of a game. Unruly Moderators or Commissioners should not be kicked as a matter of practicality as this will simply anger them, so deal with them through passive means to try and diffuse the situation.
5. In addition to #4, you must never under any circumstances kick an Owner off the server, as this will result in instant demotion or worse. Accidental kicking of an Owner can result in accidental demotion or worse.
6. Avoid developing over-dependencies on so-called "OP" items, as your job relies more on your acumen and wits rather than gimmicky weapons or armor. Failure in basic self-sufficiency could deem you unfit for duty, and result in a demotion or worse.
7. In the same vein as #6, avoid begging and whining for "OP" items or favors or perceived mistreatment in general, as these are behaviors unbecoming of a Deputy. Failure to act responsibly, securely and professionally, especially in front of players, could deem you unfit for duty, and result in a demotion or worse.
8. As a precursor to #7, prior to being Deputized, DO NOT request to be promoted to the Deputy rank by anyone other than your Reporting Moderator or Commissioner, as he or she is solely responsible for deputizing you on his/her own. Failure to abide by this could brand you as impatient and immature, and jeopardize your promotion to a Deputy rank.
9. Please be aware that although you have a Reporting Moderator or Commissioner responsible for you and your equipment, you are still a public resource for all Moderators, Commissioners and Owners. You must be ready to accept any or all requests from them so long as they don't infringe on your rights, and all refusals otherwise must respectfully be accompanied with a valid reason. Repeated infractions can be deemed as insubordination, and can result in a demotion or worse.
10. If you initiate law enforcement action that requires a dewhitelisting or ban from an off-duty Field Moderator or Owner, you must follow up this action with a complete report of the incident (preferably with evidence) on the Support Tickets thread of the Forum. Failure to do so can result in obstruction of justice or even perjury, and can result in a demotion or worse.
11. You must be prepared to communicate with Staff and other Deputies in-game, as communication is crucial to our Server's success. Fear or shyness are no excuse for ignoring a question from a Commissioner, Moderator or Owner, and repeated infractions can be deemed as rudeness and insubordination, and can result in a demotion or worse.
12. On the same vein as #11, you must be prepared to read Ciabatta's blog for news, and to use the Forum as a public communication tool. Use of the Forum is mandatory for some Deputy functions, so do not forgo registering and posting to it on a semi-regular basis. Failure to do so will be considered irresponsibility and desertion of duties, and can result in a demotion or worse.