# Fields of Illusion Child Policy

## **Foreword**

Fields of Illusion welcomes families and minors to any events that are hosted by them and endeavours to include them where possible in roleplay, provided that it is safe to do so. This documentation provides guidance to the parent/guardian of children attending the club's events, as well as outlining the duties of the responsible adult. Anyone under the age of 18 is considered a child by law, and this policy applies to those. If someone should become 18 during an event, then this policy will no longer apply.

# **Parental Consent**

Any minor who attends an event is required to have a parent or legal guardian sign their booking form in their place. Fields of Illusion will retain the right to refuse entry to any persons under the age of 18 who do not have the signature of a parent or legal guardian on their booking form.

#### Site Awareness

Due to the sporadic nature of live action roleplay (LARP) events, combat may begin at any time within the game area. It is for this reason that minors under the age of 16 are always accompanied by their accompanying responsible adult around the game area. The responsible adult must be aware of where minors aged 16 and 17 are at all times. It is up to the discretion of the referee currently running the combat or plot, as well as the responsibility of the accompanying responsible adult, to determine what is appropriate and safe. The final decision rests with the referee.

# Minors and Roleplay

Due to the nature of roleplay, Fields of Illusion cannot guarantee that all roleplay scenarios will be appropriate for the younger persons who attend our events. It is the responsibility of the accompanying responsible adult to ascertain as to whether or not each roleplay scenario is appropriate for the minor that they are accompanying. If deemed not appropriate, then it is the responsibility of the responsible adult to remove the minor from the roleplay scenario. Game organisers and referees may also request for a minor to be removed from a roleplay scenario if they deem that it is inappropriate for the minor.

## Minors and Combat

Due to the factors of combat that make it unpredictable, Fields of Illusion cannot guarantee that all combat scenario's will be appropriate for its younger members. Minors under the age of 12 may not participate in combat unless the scenario is specifically designed for children. Minors between the age of 12 and 16 may participate in combat with the direct supervision of their accompanying responsible adult. Minors aged 16 and 17 may participate in combat freely. Any minors wishing to participate in combat must be competent and be assessed by the competency checker for Fields of Illusion. It is up to the accompanying responsible adult to ensure that the minor remains competent throughout the event and ensures that the combat scenarios are appropriate for them. Game organisers and referees may also request for a minor to be removed from a combat scenario if they deem that it is inappropriate for the minor.