



# National Rendezvous and Living History Foundation

## NRLHF Primitive Trade Rules and Regulations

All Commercial and/or Blanket Traders selling goods at an NRLHF event, are required to be licensed by the Trade Committee and pay the appropriate fees. **Trader fees are to be paid with your event registration.** After setting up your business, or setting out your blanket a rendezvous compliance inspection will be done. The Trade License must be visible at all times during the event. A license can be revoked anytime during the event, if the Trader violates any part of the **Trade Rules and Regulations or the Rendezvous Rules.**

1. A trader is any person(s) who sets up a trade shelter-lodge or sets out a trade blanket or hide with goods for sale, trade or barter.
2. **Small Trade Blanket** - One blanket or hide per license, and must not exceed 110" X 110". Blanket or hide must be of one piece construction. **NO FEE** is paid if total of goods for sale does not exceed \$500.00  
2a. **Large Trade Blanket** - Two or more blankets or hides with items for sale. Trades goods with a value from \$1.00 to \$1500.00. **The Fee will be \$10.00.**
3. Commercial Trader - Anyone who offers goods for sale, trade, or barter with a total value over \$1500.00 is required to pay the current Trader fee of \$35.00.
4. All Trade areas shall enrich the event atmosphere, and shall not use any type of plastic tarps. The items in a Trade Shelter or Blanket must be original, hand-crafted or authentic reproductions or adaptations of trade goods common to North America and must be displayed in a manner similar to that common during the 1640 to 1840 time period.
5. Small primitive display racks may accompany a trade blanket, the display shall not be a nuisance or danger to the visitors or residents of the event, and the display must be approved by the Trade Committee.
6. All Trade goods (original, hand-crafted, and authentic reproductions or adaptations) shall conform to all federal, state, county, township, and NRLHF rules and regulations. For specific information, contact the proper authorities in the event area. **This is your responsibility.**
7. NO photocopies of copyrighted material shall be sold or displayed.
8. NO alcoholic beverage shall be sold, traded or bartered, OR in any way distributed for profit.
9. Animal parts or protected species that do not conform with the laws of the State the event is held, and the Federal Government, shall not be sold, displayed, or possessed at the NRLHF event. For specific information contact the proper authorities in the event area. **This is your responsibility.**

10. **TURQUOISE JEWELRY** will not be considered an appropriate trade item unless the style and type can be documented as pre-1840.

11. **CASSETTES, CDS, VIDEO TAPES**: These items are to be displayed in a period container or are to be covered at all times. A period sign may be displayed offering the items for sale.

12. Books, patterns, paintings etc. pertaining to the period, may be sold and must be displayed in a period manner.

13. **NO-NO ITEMS: PLASTIC PACKAGING, STYROFOAM, STICK ON PRICE TAGS SHOWING. SODA SOLD IN CANS, DREAM CATCHERS, BREECH LOADERS, CANDY IN PLASTIC PACKAGING, PVC POP GUNS, AND ANYTHING NOT CONSIDERED TO BE PRE.1840's.** The burden of proof is on the Trader and **NOT** the Trade Committee.

### **PROCEDURES FOR REMOVAL OF NON-PERIOD TRADE ITEMS THEIR CONTAINERS, PACKAGING AND LABELLING.**

1. The Trade Representative will notify and explain the nature of the problem and request compliance with the Trade Rules and Regulations and explain the consequences of non-compliance.

2. If the Trader disagrees with the Trade Representative, they will remove said item(s) and will contact the Trade Captain with their reasons for disagreement. **All decisions of the Trade Captain are final.**

3. If, after the above steps, the Trader is still in non-compliance and the Trader refuses to comply with the Trade Rules and Regulations, he/she/they will be asked to remove all Trade items for the duration of the event. If the Trader still refuses to comply the boothway will be contacted for further actions and the Trader may be asked to leave the event.

**TAXES: PROCUREMENT OF ALL FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP BUSINESS LICENSE AND OR THE COLLECTION OF CONSUMER SALES TAX IN THE STATE WHERE THE EVENT IS HELD, IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TRADER.**

Any further question should be directed to the event Trade Captain.