

# PROCLAMATION OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF SYLVESTRIA

## ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL PUBLIC WORK REQUIREMENT FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT OF OUR DEAR SYLVESTRIAN NATION

Whereas it is the solemn duty of every citizen to contribute to the common good and the prosperity of our beloved nation;

Whereas the strength and vitality of our Sylvestrian society is founded upon the collective efforts and shared responsibilities of its members;

Whereas it is essential to maintain and develop our infrastructure, security, and well-being to ensure the continued growth and success of our Principality;

Whereas the spirit of public service and civic participation is a cornerstone of our Sylvestrian identity;

Now, therefore, by the authority vested in me as Director General by the National Assembly and the Fundamental Law of the Principality of Sylvestria, I do hereby proclaim and enact the following law:

### **ARTICLE I: GENERAL PROVISION**

Every citizen of the Principality of Sylvestria, between the ages of 16 and 60, shall be required to complete 24 hours of public work per year in the service of our nation. This requirement shall be fulfilled in the place of monetary levies.

## **ARTICLE II: ORGANIZATION OF PUBLIC WORK**

1. The Director General, or his duly appointed designee, shall organize and oversee the formation of groups, hereafter known as "bands," to carry out public work projects.
2. Bands shall be comprised of citizens who are able to contribute their time and effort for the betterment of Sylvestria.
3. The tasks assigned to these bands shall be designed to enhance and sustain the infrastructure, security, and overall prosperity of our Principality.

## **ARTICLE III: CONDITIONS OF SERVICE**

1. Citizens performing public work shall not receive monetary compensation for their service. However, the Principality shall provide them with shelter and sustenance for the duration of their service as prescribed by law.
2. The Director General shall determine the periods during which public work shall be performed, ensuring that, whenever possible, such periods do not interfere with the regular occupations and responsibilities of the citizens.

## **ARTICLE IV: NATIONAL EMERGENCY**

1. In times of national emergency, as declared by the Prince of the Sylvestrians, citizens may be required to perform up to an additional 96 hours of public work per annum.
2. The nature and duration of such service shall be at the discretion of the Prince, in consultation with the Director General.

## **ARTICLE V: EXEMPTION AND EVALUATION**

1. No citizen shall be exempt from this duty by virtue of position, title, or wealth.
2. Individuals unable to work due to age or infirmity shall report to the local magistrate, who will evaluate their ability to perform public work and set an appropriate form and rate of contribution.
3. Appeals regarding the form and rate of contribution for those unable to work may be made to the Prince of the Sylvestrians.

## **ARTICLE VI: REGISTRATION AND COMPLIANCE**

1. All citizens shall report to the local magistrate within one month of reaching the age of 16 to enroll for public service.
2. Citizens reaching the age of 60 shall report to the local magistrate to be disenrolled from public service.
3. Temporarily and permanently disabled citizens shall report to the local magistrate for evaluation and determination of their capacity to participate in public work.
4. If suitable and useful work cannot be found, the individual shall be placed on the exempt list and a form and rate of contribution shall be set by the local magistrate and reviewed annually.

## **ARTICLE VII: NON-APPLICATION TO LEET SERVICE AND NOBLE TITLES**

1. The hours of public work completed under this law shall not be considered as part of the service requirements for the nobility, specifically for those holding the titles of Baron or Count.
2. The hours of public work completed under this law shall not apply to Leet service calculations, which remain separate and distinct from the public work requirement.

## **ARTICLE VIII: PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE**

1. Failure to report for public work without a lawful exemption shall be deemed a breach of civic duty and may be subject to penalties as determined by the local magistrate.
2. Repeated non-compliance may lead to further penalties, including but not limited to, loss of privileges and rights granted by the Principality.

## **ARTICLE IX: EFFECTIVE DATE AND TRANSITION**

This law shall take effect immediately upon its proclamation and shall be implemented across the entirety of the Principality of Sylvestria on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. All citizens between the age of 16 and 60 should register with the local magistrate no later than Noon, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

Let this proclamation be published and proclaimed throughout the land, and let all citizens take notice and prepare themselves to fulfill their duty to the Principality of Sylvestria with pride and dedication.

Signed and sealed on the 26th day of April, in the year 2025.

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Director General

Principality of Sylvestria