

Independence Fleet Hall of Fame Charter

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II. Eligibility

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B. Characters must be inactive for at least one year prior to induction.

C. Characters shall be inducted no more than once.

III. Process

A. Nominations shall be taken every May. Nominations may be made by anyone, regardless of rank or fleet affiliation. Self-nominations are permitted.

B. Voting shall take place every June, with each nominee receiving a separate vote. All Commanding Officers and active members of the Admiralty may cast one ballot (yea or nay) for each nominee. A player with multiple characters may cast no more than two ballots per nominee.

C. Characters receiving yeas for more than one-half of their ballots and finishing in the top three of the year's nominees shall be inducted. Characters receiving yeas for more than one-half of their ballots, but not finishing in the top three of the year's nominees shall be automatically re-nominated the following year. In the event that more than three nominees receive the required votes for induction, tie-breakers for the final spots shall be determined by the Commander-in-Chief to prevent more than three inductions in any cycle.

D. Characters inactive for more than ten years, regardless of nomination status, may be inducted by consensus decision by the Veterans Committee. All active members of the Admiralty shall serve on the Veterans Committee. Veterans Committee selections shall be capped at two inductions per cycle and shall not count toward the maximum of three from the standard selection process.

E. Inductions shall take place every July 4th. All inductions are final and shall not be overturned.

IV. Amendment

A. Changes to this charter must be approved by at least two-thirds of eligible voters and Independence Fleet's Commander-in-Chief.

B. Amendments shall not be proposed or considered in May, June, or July.

Independence Fleet Hall of Fame Charter Amendment Four October 2021

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C. Characters receiving yeas for more than one-half of their ballots and finishing in the top ~~five~~ ~~three~~ of the year's nominees shall be inducted. Characters receiving yeas for more than one-half of ~~the their~~ ballots ~~east~~, but not finishing in the top ~~five~~ ~~three~~ of the year's nominees shall be automatically re-nominated the following year. In the event ~~of that~~ more than ~~five~~ ~~three~~ nominees ~~receiving~~ ~~receive~~ the required votes for induction, tie-breakers for the final spots shall be determined by the Commander-in-Chief to prevent more than ~~five~~ ~~three~~ inductions in any cycle.

D. Characters inactive for more than ten years, regardless of nomination status, may be inducted by consensus decision ~~from~~ ~~by~~ the Veterans Committee. All active members of the Admiralty shall serve on the Veterans Committee. Veterans Committee selections shall be capped at ~~three~~ ~~two~~ inductions per cycle and shall not count toward the maximum of ~~five~~ ~~three~~ from the standard selection process.

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Proposed by Charles Star & Ken Gillis

Approved by 10 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstentions & the Commander-in-Chief

Independence Fleet Hall of Fame Charter Amendment Three March 2020

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C. Characters receiving yeas for more than one-half of their ballots and finishing in the top five of the year's nominees shall be inducted. Characters receiving more than one-half of the ballots cast, but not finishing in the top five of the year's nominees shall be automatically re-nominated the following year. In the event of more than five nominees receiving the required votes for induction, tie-breakers for the final spots shall be determined by the Commander-in-Chief to prevent more than five inductions in any cycle.

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Proposed by Charles Star

Approved by 8 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions & the Commander-in-Chief

Independence Fleet Hall of Fame Charter Amendment Two June 2014

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~~pardoned pursuant to the policies governing pardoning of censures, then the individual will automatically be renominated the following year.~~

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Proposed by AJ Wheeler

Approved by 11 yeas, 2 nays, 1 abstention & the Commander-in-Chief

Independence Fleet Hall of Fame Charter Amendment One July 2012

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A. Changes to this charter must be approved by at least two-thirds of eligible voters and Independence Fleet's Commander-in-Chief.

Proposed by AJ Wheeler, Joseph Carroll & Landon Wakeland

Approved by 25 yeas, 2 nays, 3 abstentions & the Commander-in-Chief

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**Drafted by Charles Star
Approved by AJ Wheeler**