

# System Holiday Ordinance

This Ordinance States:

*Effective July 2014*

The Villoux Server System recognizes and commemorates certain dates of significance to the system's establishment, heritage, and leadership. These dates are referred to as "system holidays" and will be acknowledged and celebrated uniquely throughout the system on their respective dates. System holidays will be noted in the system's calendar and be acknowledged by the Villoux Chief of Staff in #villoux\_announcements on Villoux's Discord Server. Holidays which warrant a gathering will be hosted in either the Radio Villoux voice channel or the Courthouse voice channel on Villoux's Discord Server depending on the exclusivity of the event.

## Section 1 - General Information

Gregorian Clause

*Effective July 2014*

The Villoux Server System recognizes the Gregorian calendar as the civil calendar of the system. All dates throughout the system will be published pursuant to the Gregorian calendar without exception. Whereas other calendars may be used to recognize certain culture's holidays, the dates of such holidays shall be translated to Gregorian dates once published.

Enlendo Clause

*Effective July 2014*

The Villoux Server System shall use the format of day, month, year for the denotation of all dates within the system, e.g. January 01, 2014.

## *Section 2 - Villoux Holidays*

### Dr. Baskerville Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

April 17 shall henceforth be celebrated as “Dr. Baskerville Day”. Dr. Baskerville Day celebrates the system’s first and longest-serving Chief of Staff’s, Dr. T. Baskerville, birthday on April 17, 1997. The day should be commemorated by members of the system wishing Dr. Baskerville a “happy birthday” in a similar fashion to general birthdays.

### December Clause

*Effective December 2010*

The month of December will be recognized within the Villoux Server System as a month of rest and relaxation in accordance with the numerous religious holidays that occur during the month. December will be defined as the system’s month of rest in acknowledgement of Advent, Christmas, Hanukkah, Ramadan, and other religious festivities that may limit a user’s activity within the system. No Grand Council meetings, House of Players meetings, staff meetings, Courthouse Board meetings, tournaments, dungeon runs, server launches, Radio Villoux events, or any other official event hosted by the system may occur during this month; the only exceptions being Villoux Day activities and the holiday party day.

### Villoux Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

December 15 shall henceforth be celebrated as “Villoux Day”. Villoux Day celebrates the system’s original establishment on December 15, 2010. The day should be commemorated by the Villoux Chief of Staff leading the Grand Council and any other interested members in a storytelling-like activity in which they reflect upon previous members of the system, their influence and legacy, and what lessons can be learned from them. Users should take this day as an opportunity to thank the system’s staff for the hard work they have devoted to Villoux in the past year.

Holiday Party Clause

*Effective July 2014*

The Friday night before Christmas shall henceforth be recognized as “Holiday Party Day”. Holiday Party Day is a celebratory party hosted by the Villoux Chief of Staff for department’s respective Managers, the Baskerville Cabinet, and the Villoux Grand Council as well as any additional honorary guests the Chief of Staff wishes to invite. The party will serve as a community-bonding event for certain members of the senior staff and system officials. The party will be an appropriate time for users to exchange gifts with one another.

**Section 3 - Religious Holidays**

St. Valentine’s Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

February 14 shall henceforth be recognized as “St. Valentine’s Day”. Whereas St. Valentine’s Day was initially established as a Christian religious holiday, it has adopted a more cultural reach in the modern era and is generally celebrated by displaying affection for one’s romantic interests. Villoux will recognize St. Valentine’s Day by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day.

Passover (Pesach) Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Nisan 15 - 22 on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Passover” or “Pesach”. Passover is a religious holiday associated with Judaism that serves as the Jewish people’s celebration of their liberation from slavery in Egypt. Villoux will recognize Passover but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Easter Sunday Clause

*Effective July 2014*

The first Sunday after Passover shall henceforth be recognized as “Easter”. Easter is a religious holiday within Christianity commemorating the Christian savior’s resurrection from the dead. Villoux will recognize Easter but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Ash Wednesday Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Six weeks and four days after Easter shall henceforth be recognized as “Ash Wednesday”. Ash Wednesday is a religious holiday within Christianity commemorating Jesus’ 40-day fast in preparation for Easter. Villoux will recognize Ash Wednesday but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Purim Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Adar 14 on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Purim”. Purim is a religious holiday within Judaism commemorating a failed genocide attempt against the Jewish people. Villoux will recognize Purim but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Shavuot & Pentecost Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Sivan 06 - 07 on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Shavuot”. Shavuot is a religious holiday within Judaism celebrating the Jewish people’s G-d granting them their religious text, the Torah. “Pentecost” is Shavuot’s counterpart in Christianity. Villoux will recognize both Shavuot and Pentecost but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Ramadan & Eid al-Fitr Clause

*Effective June 2019*

The month of Ramadan on the Islamic calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Ramadan”. Ramadan is a religious holiday within Islam celebrating the Muslim people’s G-d granting their religious text, the Quran, to their holy prophet, Mohammad. “Eid al-Fitr” marks the ending of Ramadan. Villoux will recognize Ramadan but will hold no special events to celebrate it. Muslim users are excused from all system-sponsored events during Ramadan.

Yom HaShoah Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Nisan 27 on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Yom HaShoah”. Yom HaShoah is a religious holiday within Judaism known as “Holocaust Remembrance Day” commemorating a failed genocide attempt against the Jewish people, communists, blacks, homosexuals, Catholics, Protestants, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Freemasons, and natives of Slovakia, Poland, Ukraine, Russia, Romania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. Villoux will recognize Yom HaShoah by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day. The Chief of Staff may host a moment of silence at a ceremony to recognize the day.

Rosh Hashanah Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Tishrei 01 - 02 on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Rosh Hashanah”. Rosh Hashanah is a religious holiday within Judaism celebrating a new year on the Hebrew calendar and the creation of whom the Jewish people believe to be the first of mankind, Adam and Eve. Villoux will recognize Rosh Hashanah but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Yom Kippur Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Tishrei 10 on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Yom Kippur”. Yom Kippur is a religious holiday within Judaism commemorating a “Day of Atonement” for the Jewish people. Villoux will recognize Yom Kippur by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day.

Eid al-Adha Clause

*Effective June 2019*

Dhu al-Hijjah 10 - 13 on the Islamic calendar shall henceforth be recognized as “Eid al-Adha”. Eid al-Adha is a religious within Islam commemorating the Abrahamic prophet Ibrahim’s willingness to

be obedient to the Abrahamic G-d. Villoux will recognize Eid al-Adha but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

#### Hanukkah Clause

*Effective July 2014*

Kislev 25 - 03 Tevet on the Hebrew calendar shall henceforth be recognized as "Hanukkah". Hanukkah is a religious holiday within Judaism commemorating the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem and is known as the "Festival of Lights". Villoux will recognize Hanukkah but will hold no special events to celebrate it. The Villoux Server System recognizes "Hanukkah" as the appropriate spelling of this holiday in light of numerous other variations in spelling of the holiday's name.

#### Christmas Eve Clause

*Effective July 2014*

December 24 shall henceforth be recognized as "Christmas Eve". Christmas Eve is a religious holiday within Christianity commemorating Christian's final day to make preparations to celebrate the birth of their savior, Jesus Christ. Villoux will recognize Christmas Eve by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day

#### Christmas Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

December 25 shall henceforth be recognized as "Christmas Day". Christmas is a religious holiday within Christianity celebrating of the birth of the Christian savior, Jesus Christ. Villoux will recognize Christmas Day by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day. Villoux will also celebrate Christmas Day by holding a Radio Villoux-sponsored Christmas karaoke party the Saturday before Christmas Day. The Villoux Chief of Staff is to wish users known to be Christian a "Happy/Merry Christmas".

#### *Section 4 - National & Regional Holidays*

##### Australia Day Clause

*Effective June 2019*

January 26 shall henceforth be recognized as “Australia Day”. Australia Day is a national within the Commonwealth of Australia commemorating the British occupation of the island of Australia in 1788. Villoux will recognize Australia Day but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

##### Europe Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

May 09 shall henceforth be recognized as “Europe Day”. Europe Day is a cultural holiday celebrated throughout the European continent that celebrates peace and cooperation amongst European nations. Villoux will recognize Europe Day but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

##### Canada Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

July 01 shall henceforth be recognized as “Canada Day”. Canada Day is a national holiday within the State of Canada commemorating Canada’s unification within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in 1867. Villoux will recognize Canada Day but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

##### American Independence Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

July 04 shall henceforth be recognized as “American Independence Day”. American Independence Day is a national holiday within the United States of America commemorating the United States’ declaration of independence from Great Britain in 1776. Villoux will recognize American Independence Day but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

Thanksgiving Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

The second Monday of October shall henceforth be recognized as “Canadian Thanksgiving” and the fourth Tuesday of November shall henceforth be recognized as “American Thanksgiving”. Thanksgiving is a regional holiday in North America commemorating the things for which one should be grateful. Villoux will recognize both Canadian Thanksgiving and American Thanksgiving by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on those days.

**Section 5 - Other Holidays**

New Year’s Day Clause

*Effective July 2014*

January 01 shall henceforth be recognized as “New Year’s Day”. New Year’s Day is a holiday celebrating the beginning of a new year on the Gregorian calendar. Villoux will recognize New Year’s Day by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day.

Black History Month Clause

*Effective June 2019*

The month of February shall henceforth be recognized as “Black History Month”. Black History Month is a holiday celebrated in the State of Canada and the United States of America commemorating the contributions of black people to their respective countries. Villoux will celebrate Black History Month by recognizing black members of the House of Players at the February House of Players meeting.

Women’s History Month Clause

*Effective June 2019*

The month of March shall henceforth be recognized as “Women’s History Month”. Women’s History Month is a holiday commemorating the contributions of women. Villoux will celebrate Pride Month by recognizing female members of the House of Players at the March House of Players meeting.



Pride Month Clause

*Effective June 2019*

The month of June shall henceforth be recognized as “Pride Month”. Pride month is a holiday commemorating the contributions of lesbians, gays, and transgendered people. Villoux will celebrate Pride Month by recognizing openly lesbian, gay, and transgendered members of the House of Players at the June House of Players meeting.

Halloween Clause

*Effective October 2018*

October 31 shall henceforth be recognized as “Halloween”. Halloween is an international cultural holiday celebrating spookiness. Villoux will recognize Halloween but will hold no special events to celebrate it.

New Year’s Eve Clause

*Effective July 2014*

December 31 shall henceforth be recognized as “New Year’s Eve”. New Year’s Eve is a cultural holiday celebrating the last day of a year on the Gregorian calendar. Villoux will recognize New Year’s Eve by disallowing any system-sponsored meetings or events to take place on that day.