



**"Making Texas History Come Alive!"**

*San Antonio Living History Association*

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*5310 San Pedro Ave., San Antonio, TX 78212*

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## **SALHA EVENT– GENERAL STANDARDS**

**These general standards are established for the SALHA membership as well as those nonmembers wishing to participate in our events (including children). While children need to be under the supervision of their parents at all times – parents and children need to realize that they (the children) are also under the guidance of the event coordinators and as such should plan to cooperate with these supervisors at all times.**

### **EVENT CONDUCT:**

1. Arrive at posted times to accomplish all pre-event requirements.
2. Upon arriving at the event all participants must report immediately to the registration table and then to the safety inspection. Be sure your weapon is in good working order before coming to the event. ***Failure to register on time may jeopardize event participation.***
3. All flintlock weapons on the field require: flash guard and frizzen stalls
4. After the safety inspection you will be directed to the Unit Coordinator for your authenticity check and further information.
5. Avoid taking on a persona that has not been assigned to you. You are not Crockett, Travis, or Bowie unless you have been assigned the part by the event coordinator.
6. If the public asks you a question be sure of your response – don't guess. It is better to say "I don't know than to give inaccurate information". Direct them to someone who knows.
7. Please no cell phones in front of the public. Cell phones should kept off or on vibrate at all other times.
8. Don't use cigarettes or lighters in front of the public (if you use cigarettes, pick them up and dispose of them properly). Use only period correct tobacco products before the public.
9. Avoid profanity – public image is so important and you never know whose listening.
10. No alcohol is permitted during events –at most of the sites where we perform alcohol is illegal.
11. If you know more than the guy commanding you (and you might), keep your helpful hints until the present drill, skirmish, or whatever is over. They will certainly listen and appreciate the information, but not in the middle of the action.
12. Cameras are to be used only discretely and not at all during scenarios. When you do use your camera keep them in your haversack until the last possible moment.
13. Program suggestions are always welcomed when done in an appropriate manner. Suggestions should be submitted either in writing or in person before the planning committee.  
Suggestions received after the final event planning meeting will not be acted upon until the event debrief for consideration in the next year's event.

14. Safety must come first. Some of our rules may seem strange but are required because of demands of our insurance, the state, city, or from past experience. EVERYONE IS A SAFETY OFFICER.

***With your help and assistance we will have another successful event.***

**FASHION FAUX PAS:** *(Specific Unit standards and information may be found in the Individual Unit Guides – these are available through SALHA or may be found on our website.)*

1. Wrist watches.
2. Large or heavily beaded work.
3. Non-period neck wear.
4. Non-period jewelry – you may be asked to justify or document.
5. Texas Stars – we weren't a republic yet.
6. Anything Civil War that is obvious Civil War era: canteens, belts, cartridge boxes, belt plates, etc.
7. Belt loops
8. Zippers/Velcro
9. Sunglasses– unless you have syphilis.
10. Obvious use of elastic
11. Non period rubber-soled footwear (i.e. Minnetonka Apache Boots)
12. Strive for period eyewear where possible

### **CAMP LIFE:**

1. Cover non-period items such as coolers and such.
2. Minimum camp furniture. You should plan on having your own chair or stool.
3. You're responsible for securing your own items.

### **WEAPON LOADS:**

All weapons and weapon loads are subject to inspection by the SALHA Safety Officers and these weapon loads must be strictly adhered to for safety and insurance reasons. Violation of these standards could result in your being asked to leave the field or could possibly cause the event to be halted.

#### Long arms

- 59 cal. and smaller - 70 grains maximum
- 60 cal. and larger - 100 grains maximum

#### Pistols:

- All calibers– 35 grains

**Smaller loads might be required depending on the discretion of the Event and Unit Coordinators**