

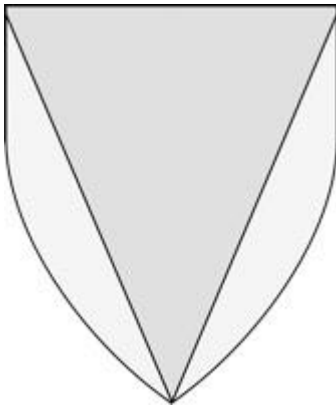
April 2025 CL & LoAR

A Quick Summary of Changes

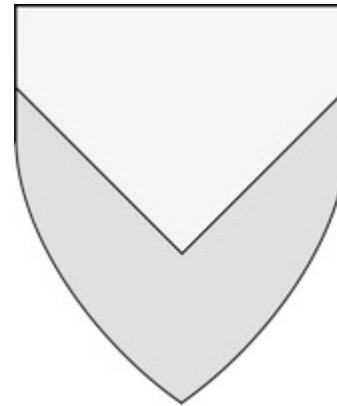
Jeanne Marie *Palimpsest*

From Wreath: Per Chevron Inverted Throughout

- The field division *per chevron inverted throughout* is not longer registerable. Wreath noted that we're not aware on any period examples for this field division. A field *per chevron inverted* remains registerable.



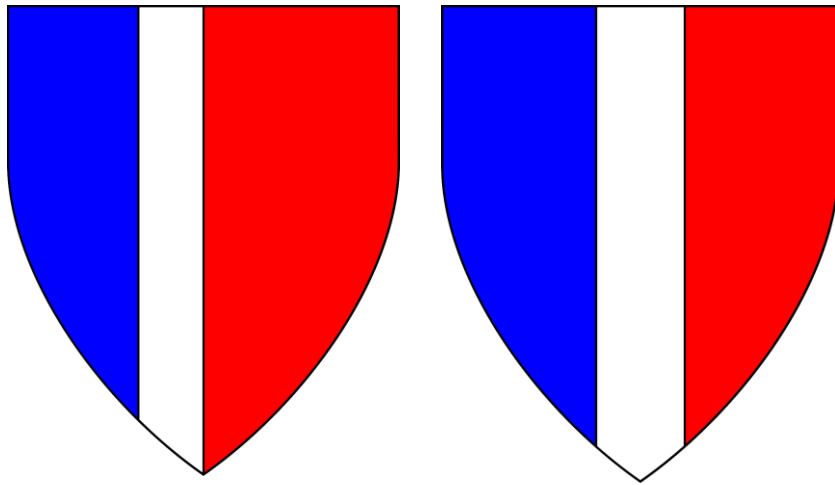
Per chevron inverted throughout, no longer registerable



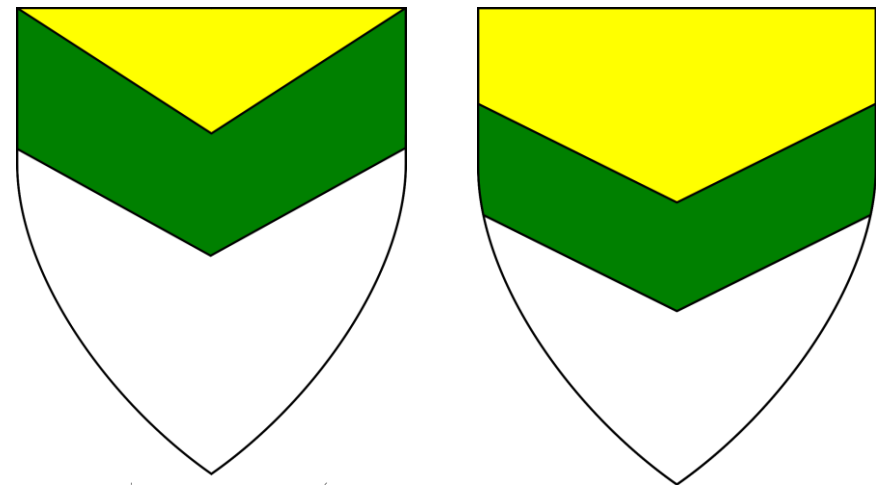
Per chevron inverted, registerable

From Wreath: Parallel Lines

- In general, combining a field division with a parallel (or roughly parallel) peripheral ordinary - such as *per pale* and a *tierce*, or *per fess* and a *chief* or *base* - creates ambiguity, and will not be registerable going forward without documentation of the practice.



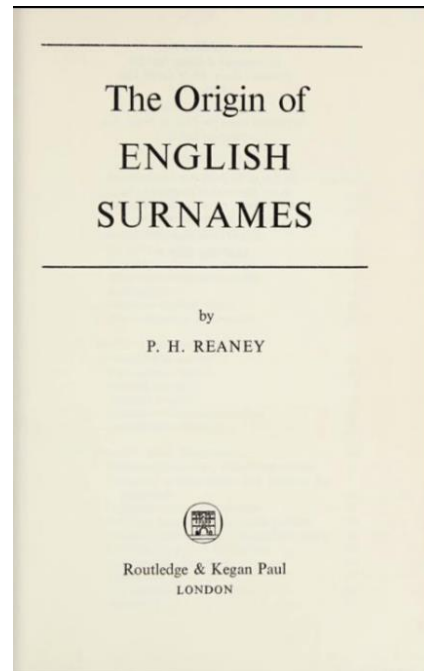
Is it *Per pale and a tierce* or *Per pale* with a poorly drawn *pale*?



Is it *Per chevron, a chief triangular* or *Per chevron* with a *chevron* that is drawn too high?

From Pelican

- P.H. Reaney's *The Origin of English Surnames* has been added to the Administrative Handbook Appendix H, Sources That Do Not Require Photocopies to Laurel.



Open LoPaDs and Lols

- The following LoPaDs are currently open. Please review and comment. If you lack commenting privileges, comments may be mailed to the relevant Sovereign of Arms.
 - April 8th LoPad
 - Request for commentary on potential changes to SENA A3D2c, Unity of Posture and Orientation with regards to different animate charges in the same group that are in different postures. In particular, Wreath is asking for period examples of such arrangements.
 - April 26th LoPaD
 - Request for commentary on how we treat letters and words – do multiple individual letters conflict with a word? And what makes a word? Commentary is also requested on whether or not we should continue to consider all abstract charges to conflict with all other abstract charges.
 - April 30th LoPaD
 - Request for commentary on whether or not *a white livery collar* should be a reserved charge for members of the Order of Defense and *two vambraces or bracers* should be a reserved group for members of the Order of the Mark.
 - May 25th Lol
 - Intent to register Ducat Herald and Esperance Herald.

From the LoAR: Names

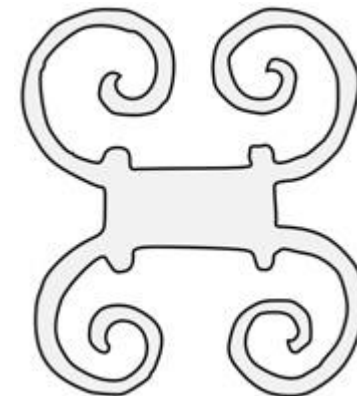
- When a late-period English surname is used as a given name the given name is considered to be gender neutral. It can be combined with bynames that are either masculine or feminine. [Lyleth Ó hAllmhuráin, 04/2025, A-An Tir]
- In registering *Elizabeta Ferrofredo di Bari* Pelican noted: "Questions were raised in commentary about the constructed element *Ferrofredo*. Alys Ogress was able to find multiple examples of compound masculine given names constructed from two distinct masculine given names. Italian allows unmarked patronymics. Thus, in this name, *Elizabeta* is the daughter of someone named *Ferrofredo*." [Elizabeta Ferrofredo di Bari, 04/2025, A-Atlantia]
- In returning the name *Safiye Halife* for further work Pelican noted: "The byname *Halife* translates to *Caliph*, and is a clear indication that the bearer is entitled to the rank of Caliph. There is no evidence to suggest that *Halife* was used as a byname by normal people in any way outside that of a claim to rank." [Safiye Halife, 04/2025, R-East]
- Wreath upheld the precedent that rermice (bats) inverted are not registerable. [Altan of the Flaming Gryphon, 04/2025, R-Middle]

From the LoAR: Updates to the Glossary of Terms Tables

- Table 4 – Conventional "Proper" Colorings
 - A *carrot proper* is orange with vert leaves, and will be considered light (and conflicts with Or) on a dark field or dark (and conflicts with gules) on a light field; on a neutral field or on a fieldless badge must be a shade that is clearly light or dark. The tincture of the leaves does not contribute to difference. [Awly the Grim, 04/2025, A-Lochac]
 - When blazoned as *proper* a jester's bauble has a wooden (brown) stick. Its tincture is taken from the hood and collar. [Hilarie the Puppeteer, 04/2025, A-West]
- Table 5 – Default Postures and Orientations
 - A *chisel* defaults to palewise, blade to chief. [Valdis of Gotland, 04/2025, A-Æthelmearc]
 - The *anille* or *maueranker* is fesswise by default. [Rúnfríðr Keiliselgr, 04/2025, A-Lochac]



A *chisel*



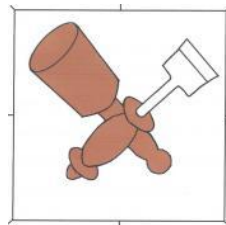
An *anille*

From the LoAR: Updates to the Glossary of Terms Tables

- Table 7 – Default Arrangements
 - None
- Table 8 – Default Charge Types
 - None

From the LoAR: New/Redocumented Charges

- A *round mallet* was used in period for chiseling both wood and stone, and can be found in 15th C and 16th C illustrations. [Valdis of Gotland, 04/2025, Æthelmearc]
- A *monk-fish* is a type of mer-folk and has the same defaults as a mermaid. It is taken from a picture from the 1491 edition of *Hortus Sanitatis* which states "a passing monk-fish steers a course through busy sea traffic while scholars discourse." [Enoch Sutherland, 04/2025, A-An Tir]
- An *Atlas beetle* is an insect found in Southeast Asia in the same areas where humans lived in period, so is an acceptable charge. [Porunn manvitsbrekka, 04/2025, A-Atlantia]



A round mallet (15th C Hausbuch Mendel I, 16th C Hausbuch Mendel II, and registered)



An Atlas beetle in nature (from Wikipedia) and registered.

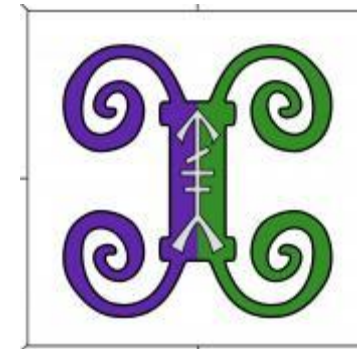


1491 edition of *Hortus Sanitatis*,
Univeristy of Cambridge,
<https://cudl.lib.cam.ac.uk/view/PR-INC-00003-A-00001-00008-00037/672>

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From the LoAR: New/Redocumented Charges

- *Hausmarken* are symbols used by merchants and craftsmen, and were sometimes incorporated into armory; examples can be seen in the arms of Mayrhofen in Siebmacher (<https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/1/15/Siebmacher094.jpg>), the arms of Steffan Maier in *Stuttgarter Schiessen* (<http://digital.wlb-stuttgart.de/purl/bsz356300242/page/326>), and the arms of Gabriel von Leijmers in the *Stammbuch of Christoph Donauer* (<https://www.bavarikon.de/object/bav:PRB-HSS-00000BSB00081512>) p. 452. [Rúnfríðr Keiliselgr, 04/2025, A-Lochac]
 - A system for blazoning hausmarken, based on period descriptions, can be found in Erasimierz Waspanieski's article in the KWHSS 1990 proceedings entitled "Hausmarken: Burger Heraldry of the German Renaissance", but as the submitted charge can be described using terminology we already use, we decline to introduce that extensive vocabulary to our blazons at this time.
 - Registered badge: *On a maueranker palewise per pale purple and vert a hausmarke in the shape of a rogacina triply crossed and fourchy the upper crossbar bendwise sinister argent.*



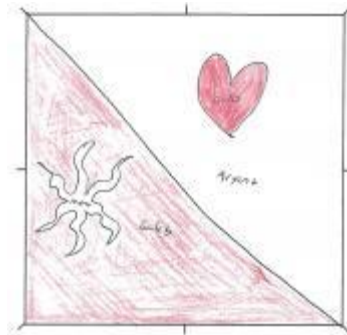
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Period examples of *hausmarken* in arms.

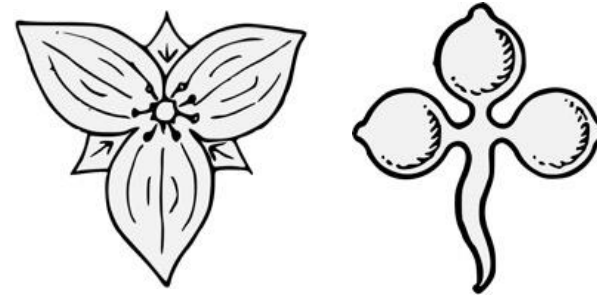
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From the LoAR: Armory

- Wreath ruled that worn items are considered part of the charge wearing them, not separate charges, so SENA A3D1b, Sword and Dagger, does not apply to them. The particular case was a helm as a secondary charge and a different style helm worn by a man. [Gunnarr Þorfinsson, 04/2025, A-Æthelmearc]
- As period heraldic rainbows seem to exclusively issue from clouds or the edges of the field, rainbows issuing from other charges will be considered a step from core practice. [Michael Maximilien de Champagne, 04/2024, A-An Tir]
- Wreath accepted a badge where the tinctures were tricked with words noting "This is a period practice, and we will allow it in submissions as long as the emblazon is also colored, the words don't make elements unidentifiable, and the words can't be mistaken for charges." [Allen MacFarland, 04/2025, A-Atlantia]
- There is not a DC for type between a trillium and a trefoil; however, there is a DC for orientation between those two charges in their default orientations. [Caper Scriven, 04/2025, A-East]



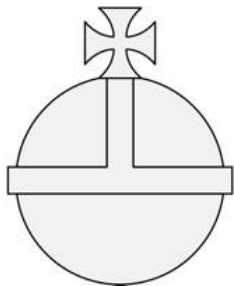
Allen's badge



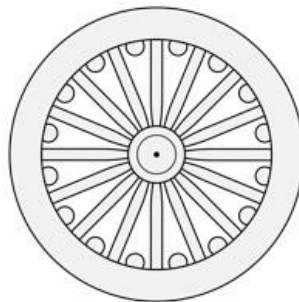
A *trillium* and a *trefoil* in their default orientations

From the LoAR: Armory

- We would allow a *grey iron hammer proper*, that would have a grey head and brown handle; and a *hammer proper* would have a sable head and brown handle. [Einarr Karlsson, 04/2025, R-An Tir]
- There is a DC, but not an SC, between orbs and roundels. [Christoffel Gisler, 04/2025, R-Atlantia]
- There is no difference for the number of peaks on a mountain. [Lif Linadóttir, 04/2025, R-Atlantia]
- Wreath overturned precedent disallowing wheels of more than twelve spokes. While twelve does seem to be the maximum found in period armory, with the expanded scope of the Society we must consider other period depictions of wheels. For example, period depictions of the Indian dharmachakra symbol, such as one in the Met Museum (<https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/788971>), can have sixteen spokes or more. We will allow wheels with up to sixteen spokes as long as identifiability is maintained. Higher numbers will be harder to draw identifiably, so will be decided on a case-by-case basis. [Lyleth Ó hAllmhuráin, 04/2025, P-An Tir]



An orb



Wheel (15) from heraldicart.org



Dharmachakra from the Met Museum

Webbed Updates

- SENA Appendix G2 and Appendix M1i have been updated.
- Glossary of Terms Table 4 and Table 5 have been updated.
- Administrative Handbook Appendix H has been updated.