Definition of Good Conduct

This document lays out a definition of **good conduct** with a particular focus on contributions to social media discussions within the society's online groups.

A contribution to a discussion which fails to abide by the following rules might be considered **bad conduct**, and if administrators of the group deem it necessary, further steps might be taken.

1. Starting a discussion.
    a. Always consider contacting the officer concerned in the first instance.
    b. Social media are not places to solve disputes.
    c. As a general rule, keep posts as short as they need to be.
2. Contribution to a discussion.
    a. When challenging another's opinion, challenge the point and not the person making it.
    b. Comments that discriminate or perpetuate hate on the grounds of race, ethnicity, age or another characteristic are to be avoided.
    c. Humour is not discouraged, but humour should not act to discourage members asking questions, nor should humour be used to make someone feel unwelcome.
    d. Keep your comments productive; if you have nothing to say, no-one is waiting for you to say it.
3. General rules
    a. No "flames": bad manners can actively harm the cohesion of the group.
    b. The following should be avoided:
        i. Politics
        ii. Religion in a modern context
        iii. Racism
        iv. Stupidity
        v. Bad language
    c. No spam
    d. This is a private group and discussions should not be shared outside of Regia Anglorum without the agreement of the contributors.
4. Moderation
    a. Admins for different social media groups will have different rules regarding **bad conduct**, but they all have the power to lock down discussions, delete posts and suspend users.
    b. Admins will never discuss decisions with people not involved.
    c. Admins will only moderate based on conduct within Regia Anglorum – bad conduct outside of Regia will not be considered as bad conduct within Regia.