

LITPC POLICY STATEMENT

SUBJECT: **PIN TRADER CLUB PINS ON WEBSITE**, Establishment of Criteria for Inclusion of

1. Pins to be included on the LITPC web site will include:

a. All pins identified by the Boards of the various pin trading clubs as official pins issued by that club prior to 1 July 2010, regardless of whether they meet the criteria listed below.

b. All pins issued by defunct pin trader clubs, even those that were never registered, as well as sub-district and other clubs will be placed in a separate section of the online catalog.

2. All pins issued after 30 June 2010 must be identified as a recognized pin trading club pin. It must have the name or initials of the pin trading club on the front or back of the pin.

3. Personal pins, i.e., those identified by an individuals name, will not be included unless they are a pin issued as a memorial or to honor an individual.

4. All pins placed on the website will be separated into categories such as regular issues, swap issues, breakfast pins, special pins, or in whatever other category in which they are issued by the various pin trading clubs.

5. Only those pins issued in sufficient quantities and are available to all pin traders will be included. Sufficient quantities is identified as enough pins to insure that all persons meeting the criteria to obtain the pin and desiring the pin can obtain one. If a club cannot satisfy all requirements then it is the position of the LITPC that sufficient pins should be reordered. "Available to all pin traders", is defined as just that. The criteria for obtaining the pin can be that the pin trader has to attend a swap or conference, convention, etc., or that they have to make application by a certain date. The criteria may not define only a certain portion of the pin traders. For example a pin trader club that organizes and says you have to be a member of that district, state, or region to become a Charter member and obtain a Charter pin is not eligible for inclusion as the pin is not available to all pin traders.

6. The only pins that are exempt from this policy are pins issued by the various officers, past and present which are identified as LITPC Board officer pins. Even though these are personal pins, they are highly collected by our membership and will therefore be included on the LITPC website.

7. Any request for waiver of this policy must be submitted through the LITPC Webmaster for final approval by the LITPC Board of Directors. Request for waivers must stipulate why the waiver is being requested, why the pin was not in compliance, and must be submitted to the Webmaster forty days in advance of the next annual meeting in order to have the matter placed on the Board agenda.

*****NOTHING FOLLOWS*****

Approved by the Board on 3 July 2011