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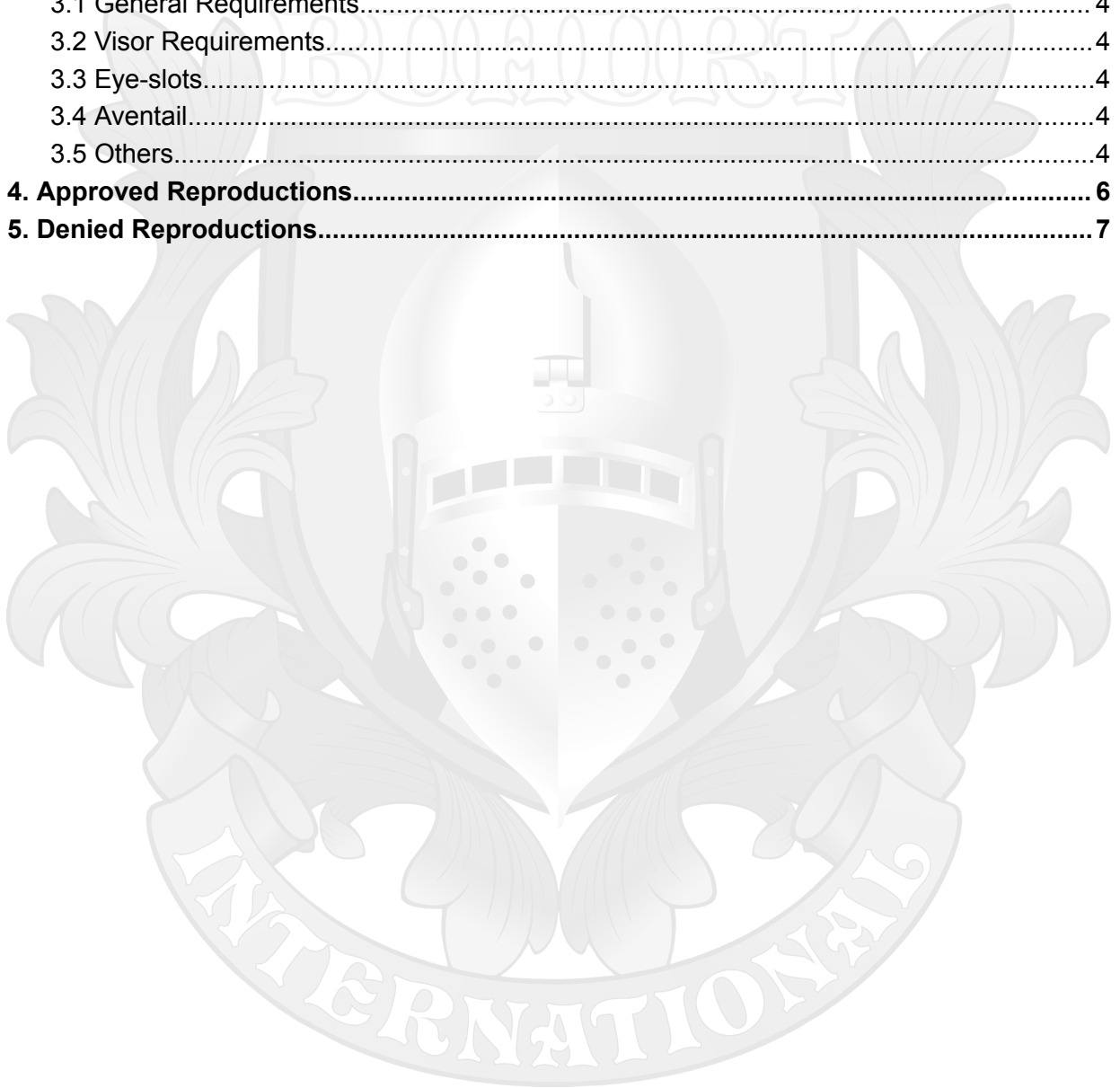
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**Helmet - Wolf Ribs**

# Wolf Ribs Helmet

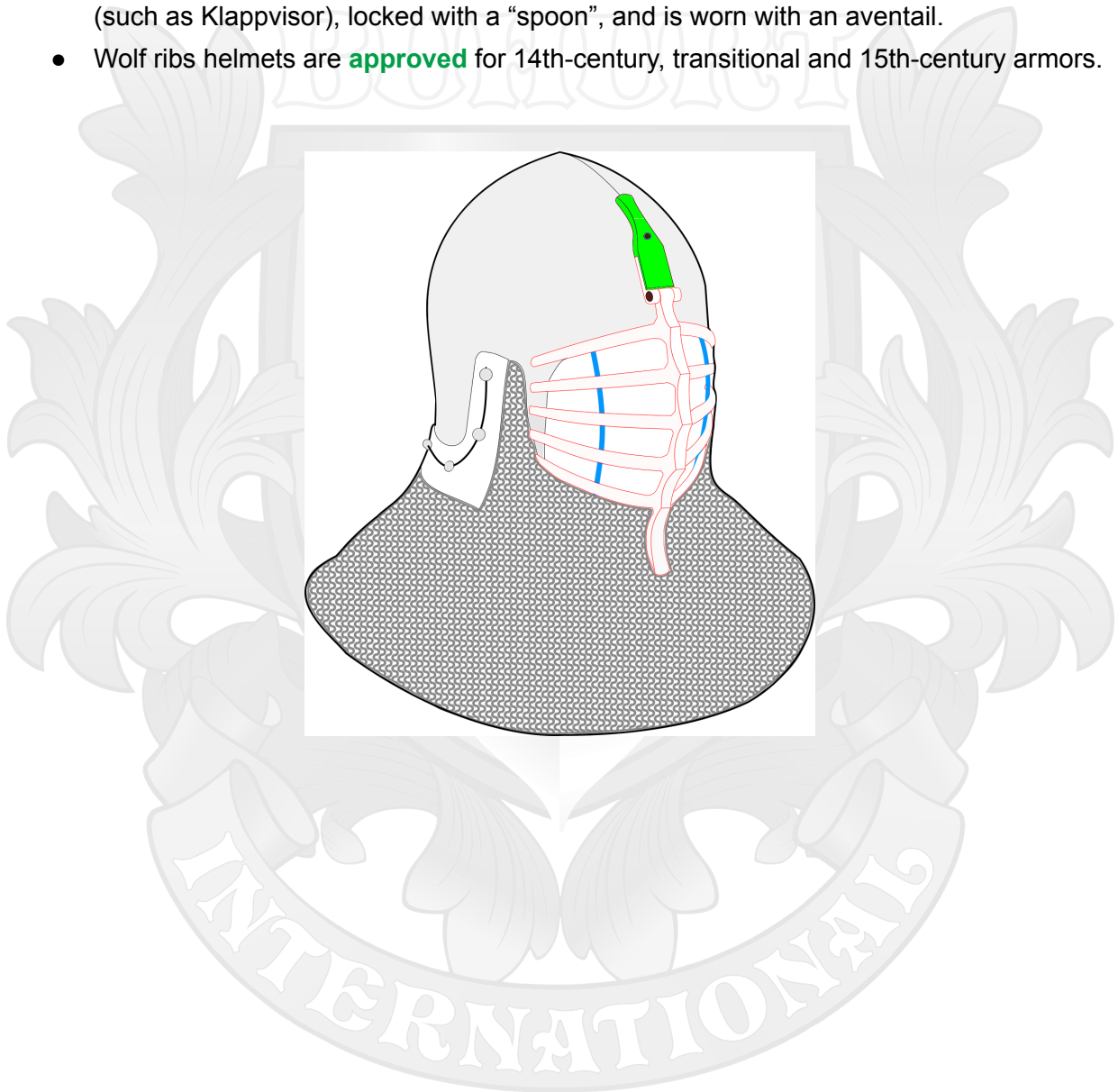
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# 1. Definition

- Wolf ribs helmets are bascinet-based helmets topped by a central-pivot facial grill. The few available sources are paintings from the Czech Republic and Germany. The primary sources are dated from 1380 and 1450.
- The helmet is very similar to other bascinets. It is constructed with a center-hinge visor (such as Klappvisor), locked with a “spoon”, and is worn with an aventail.
- Wolf ribs helmets are **approved** for 14th-century, transitional and 15th-century armors.



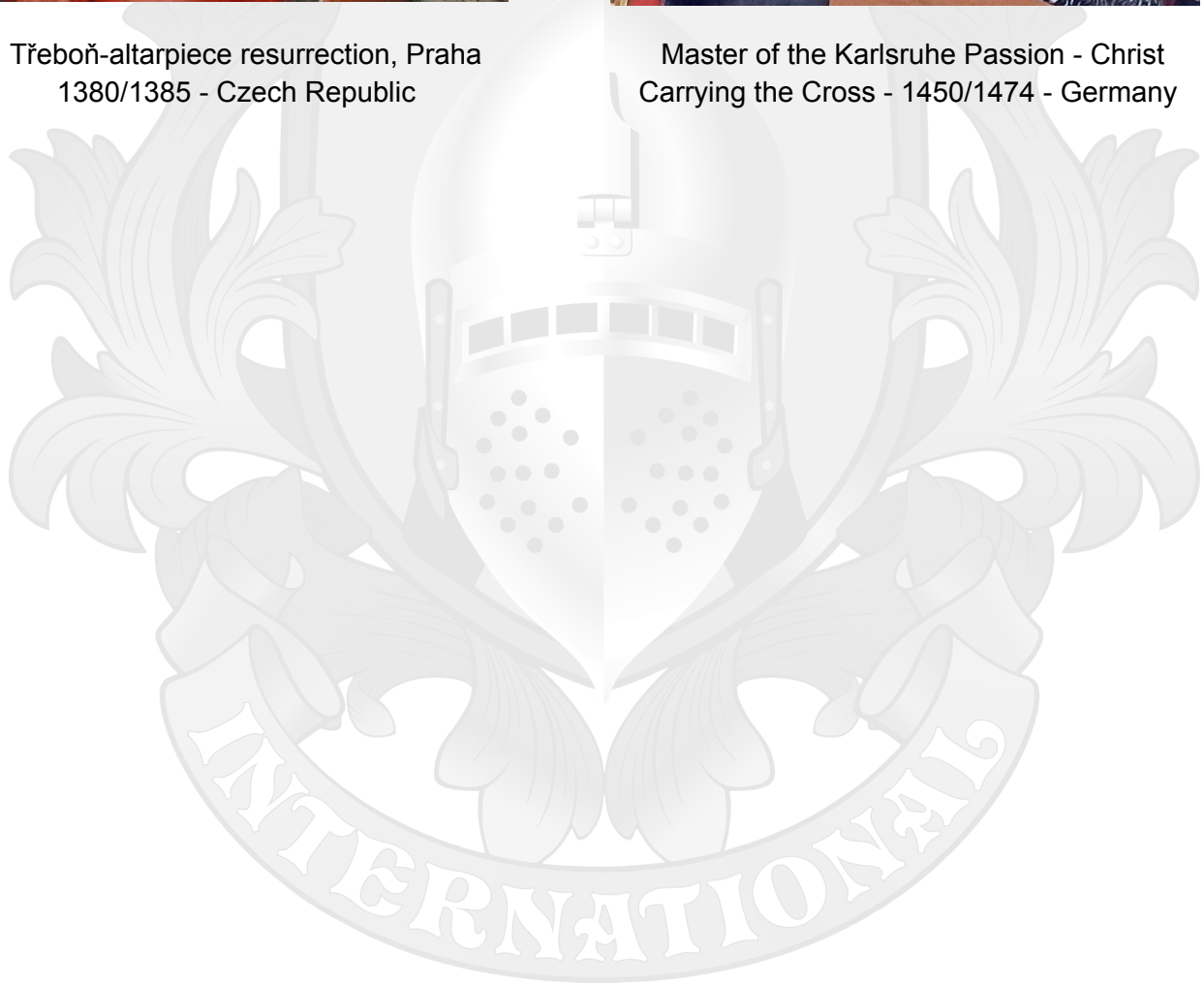
## 2. Historical sources and datation



Třeboň-altarpiece resurrection, Praha  
1380/1385 - Czech Republic



Master of the Karlsruhe Passion - Christ  
Carrying the Cross - 1450/1474 - Germany



# 3. Requirements

## 3.1 General Requirements

- Reproductions must closely resemble the appearance and proportions of the sources.
- Any metal part of the helmet must conform to the Armors and weapons Aesthetics and decorations document.
- Any textile or leather part of the helmet must conform to the Textiles and Leather document.

## 3.2 Visor Requirements

- The visor must not be too long or too short and respect the proportions of historical sources.
- The hinge must be reproduced as per historical sources.
- It is permitted to weld the hinge. Welded hinges must resemble a functional hinge.
- It is permitted to weld the visor down. A welded visor must resemble a functional removable visor.
- It is permitted to add a metal plate to protect the throat. Such a plate must be strong enough to endure full contact fight and must be concealed under the aventail.
- The visor must consist of 5 horizontal ribs.
- Ribs must be round or bar-shaped.
- Ribs can not be made of flat sheets.

## 3.3 Eye-slots

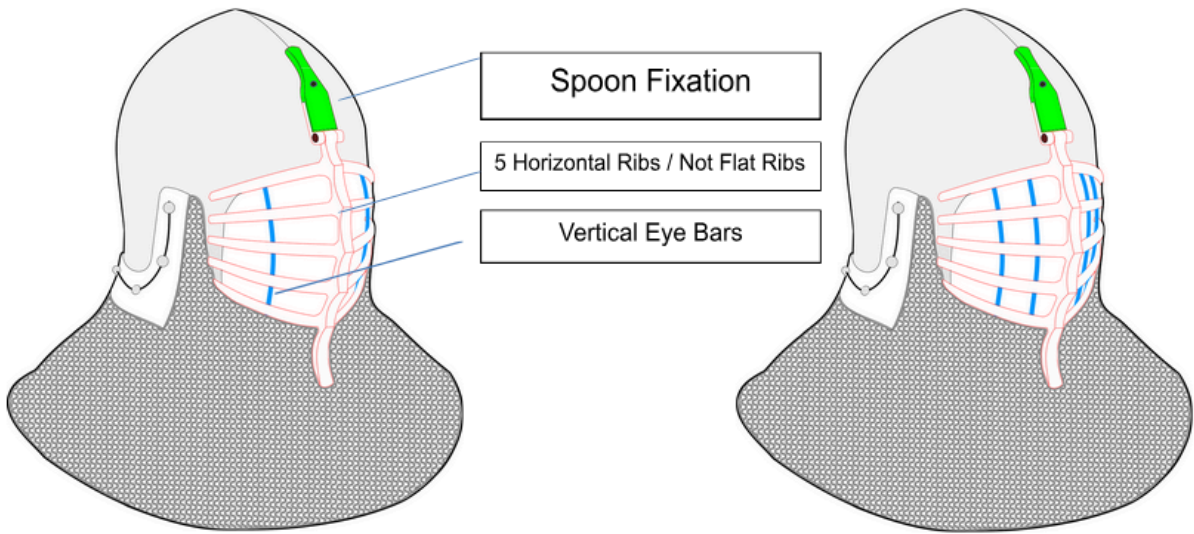
- It is not recommended to have oversized eye slots (over 30x50mm).
- It is permitted to add up to four (4) vertical buhurt-optimization eyebars on the visor: two (2) on each side of the visor.
- Eyebars must conform to the Eye Bars rules document.

## 3.4 Aventail

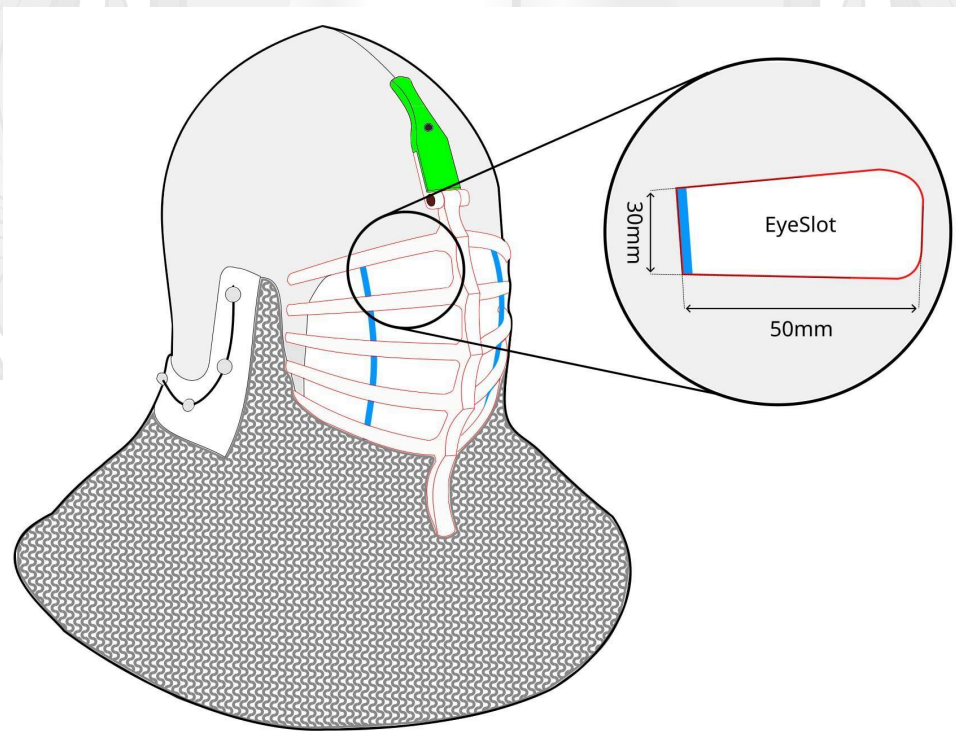
- Wolf ribs helmets can be worn with chainmail or fabric aventails. Scale aventails are not permitted.
- Aventails must conform to the Aventails document.
- The aventail must be fastened down to the outer edge of a padded pelerine attached to the helmet liner.
- Protective plates covering the cervical spine should be hidden under the aventail. Supplemental hidden collar plates are permitted.

## 3.5 Others

- Wolf ribs helmets may be decorated in the spirit of medieval styles, such as an orle, torse, decorated aventails (with copper/brass chainmail rings), veruelle covers, coat of arms badges, etc.
- Such decoration must be made in coherence with historical sources.
- Using modern and/or offensive imagery and slogans is prohibited.



Recommendations for Eyes slots :



## 4. Approved Reproductions



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## 5. Denied Reproductions



More than 5 horizontal ribs



Flat ribs



Frame around visor, not based on historical sources



Welding spot visible  
Eyebars not black-painted





Neck protection is visible, it must be concealed under the aventail

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