



LAWS OF MADAGASCAR WIKI

Act 4

ARTICLE ACT 2018

Incorporating all amendments up to 30 March 2018

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CHAPTER I

SHORT TITLE AND INTERPRETATION

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Article Act 2018

Interpretation

2. In this Act—
 - “create” means creating an article on the Wiki.
 - “delete” means deleting an article, an image, or a video on the Wiki.
 - “edit” means editing an article in the Wiki’s content.
 - “rename” means renaming an article on the Wiki’s URL.
 - “rumour” means any information or idea without any factual proof yet.

CHAPTER II

ARTICLE CREATION

Irrelevant article

3. (1) Anyone who creates an article that does not have anything to do with Madagascar or the Wiki in any aspect, may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one week.
(2) If the user has created an irrelevant article more than twice in the past, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one month.

Creating an article with false information

4. (1) Subjected to Section 11, anyone who creates an article containing any sort of false information, may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding two weeks.

(2) If the user has created an article with false information, or added false information to an article, or has done both of them more than twice in the past, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one month and fifteen days.

(3) If the article itself is about something that does not exist, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one month.

CHAPTER III ARTICLE EDIT

Adding false information to an article

5. Anyone who adds any sort of false information into an article that is not a rumour article, may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding two weeks.

Editing a protected page

6. (1) If a user without the ability to edit a protected page, can in any way edit a protected page, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding six months.

(2) If the user has edited a protected page in the past, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one year.

CHAPTER IV ARTICLE DELETION

Article deletion

7. (1) An article can only be deleted if—

(a) the article is irrelevant;

(b) the article is about a non-existing matter;

(c) the article is no longer needed.

(2) A user may request for an article to be deleted, if they have a valid reason.

Deleting an article without any important reason

8. (1) Anyone who deletes an article without any important reason may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one week.

(2) If the user has deleted an article without any important reason in the past more than twice, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding two months.

CHAPTER V

ARTICLE RENAME

Renaming an article

9. (1) An article can only be renamed if—
- (a) the name is wrong*
 - (b) the name contains a spelling mistake*
 - (c) the name does not completely reflect the article*
- (2) A user may request for an article to be renamed, if they have a valid reason.

Renaming an article without an important reason

10. (1) Anyone who renames an article without any important reason, that can lead to any negative consequences may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one week.

(2) If the user has renamed an article without any important reason and has led to a negative consequence in the past more than twice, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding three weeks.

CHAPTER VI

RUMOUR ARTICLES

Rumour articles

11. (1) If an article is wished to be made, but the content includes unofficial or unconfirmed facts, it can be made as a rumour article, which must have a name that starts with "Rumour:" or "Rumor:", categorised as "Rumour", and begin with the template "RumourHeader".

(2) Rumour articles cannot be about non-existing characters, non-existing places, and non-existing events.

(3) Anyone who goes against Sub-section (2) of this Section may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding three days.

(4) If the user has made illegal rumour articles in the past more than twice, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding two weeks.

Rumour articles on character relationships

12. (1) Rumour articles on a relationship between two or more characters is allowed; but must not directly imply that the rumour is true.

(2) Any offences against Clause (1) can be punished with the same punishment written in Sub-sections (3) and (4) of Section 11 of this Act.

CHAPTER VII TRANSLATION ARTICLES

Translation articles

13. (1) Any articles that does not use the official language of the Wiki must be considered as a Translation article, and must follow Sub-section (2) of this Section.

(2) Translation articles must be a sub-article of its original article, and its URL must be '{base page name}/{the desired language's translation for "[language name] Translation}'".

Failure to comply to Section 13

14. (1) Anyone who fails to comply to Section 13 of this Act may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding one week.

(2) If the user has failed to comply to Section 13 of this Act in the past more than twice, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding two weeks.

CHAPTER VIII CATEGORIES

Applying wrong categories to articles

15. (1) Anyone who applies the wrong category to an article shall be warned and advised not more than thrice, and if the user continues to do so they may be punished with a block for one day.

(2) If the user has failed to comply to Section 15 of this Act in the past more than six times, the user may be punished with a block for a term not exceeding five days.