## MILITARY TIMELINE GENERAL AUTHENTICITY GUIDELINES

- Glasses, jewelry, watches, and footwear should be correct to the time period portrayed.
- All clothing to be of natural fibers and should exhibit at least hand finishing, if not completely hand sewn where appropriate.
- Accourrements should be worn as documented to the period. I.E. No canteens or haversacks around the knees.
- Decoration on hats should be minimal, depending on the impression. Absolutely no animal parts, masonic pins, Celtic symbols, etc.
- If portraying a soldier on campaign, equipage should be limited to what would be carried on one's person (i.e. in a knapsack or bedroll.) No furniture, boxes, etc. If portraying a soldier in a more stationary camp, period tents will be permitted, but should be those appropriate to the station/class being portrayed. Camp furniture should be very limited. Slatted Adirondack style chairs are not permitted at all.
- Period appropriate forms of interpretive tobacco use (including packaging) is permitted outdoors.
- All food or drink is to be consumed in period vessels. Cooking ware shall be of an early period appropriate design. Participants are encouraged to consume only period appropriate foods during an event.
- All non-period items should be kept out of site at all times. This includes packaging for foods and related containers.
- Alcoholic beverages are not to be consumed at all during public hours. After hours, period appropriate beverages may be enjoyed in period vessels. The consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21 years of age is prohibited by NC State Law.
- No firearms can be carried outside of the historic area and are allowed in period camps only. Firearms cannot be carried by minors at any time. Only adults can handle edged weapons or tools. Fort Dobbs safety officers will oversee all activities related to fire arms

demonstration and inspections and will adhere to the HS-1 guidelines established by the State of North Carolina, Division of State Historic Sites.

• Site staff reserve the right to request that any article of clothing, equipment, etc not be used.