

Name uniqueness & name conflict in the SCA

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Note: This article focuses primarily on personal names, not non-personal names (such as heraldic titles, order names, household names, branch names, etc.)

How the SCA ended up with name uniqueness

The current version of the Rules for Submissions [RfS], published March 28, 2004, and revised April 2, 2008, starts with three general principles that all submissions must meet in order to be registerable. The first part of the third principle forbids the registration of identical names [RfS, I.3]:

No name or armory will be registered which claims for the submitter powers, status, or relationships that do not exist.

No submission will be registered that could confuse or offend members of the Society or the general population because it expresses or implies some claim that is not true. An explicit claim contains an overt statement of the claim in the submission; an implicit claim requires that its nature be inferred from the submission. A name and piece of armory may reinforce each other and appear to make a claim that is not perceived in either item by itself. If someone reasonably educated in period and modern history and culture would perceive a claim, that claim will be held to exist even if it is unintentional.

a. Conflicting Claims—A name or piece of armory that creates a false impression of the identity of the submitter will not be registered. Someone may not claim to be another, either directly by using a name or armory that is identical to another, or by unmistakably claiming close relationship to an individual who is in fact unrelated.

The Rules further specify that “Names may not be too similar to the names of others, as is required by General Principle 3a of these rules. Names need to be distinguished from each other both in their written form and when heard in announcements” [RfS, V].

How name uniqueness affects the distribution of names

Name distribution in the SCA

There are roughly 35,000 personal names registered in the SCA, as of the 2q08 OandA database.

The following statistics are based solely on the first given name of a person’s primary given name. It does not take into account any given name which is used as a second given name, or any given name which appears in the context of a patronymic byname.

John

Total= 737 = 2%

208: John,
96: *Ian*
72: Jean,
48: Johann,
43: *Iain*
38: *Ivan*
37: Giovanni,
34: Johannes,
23: Juan,
22: Hans,
20: Johan,
17: Jan,
13: Jon,
9: Jehan,
8: Ieuan,
6: *Janos*
5: Iohannes,
4: *Iohann*
3: Ihon, Iohne, Johne, János,
2: Ioannes, Ihone, Iohn, Jhone,
1: Giannetto, Gianni, Giano, Giovannino, Hanns, Henil, Ionnes, Janke, *Jankin*, *Janneke*, Janusch, Jehen, Joan, João,
0: Gianello, Gianetto, Giannello, Giannino, Giannotto, Giannozzo, Giannuzzo, Gianotto, Gianozzo, Giavannino, Giohanni, Giovachino, Giovanale, Giovannatto, Giovannello, Giovannetto, Giovannozzo, Giovannuzzo, Giuhanni, Ha(n)s, Han, Hanco, Hancz, Hanequin, Hanke, Hanle, Hanman, Hancz, Hanneken, Hannequin, Hannes, Hannos, Hannus, Hannß, Hansken, Hansman, Hanss, Hansz, Hantsch, Hantsche, Hanusch, Hanß, Hanßlein, Hencze, Henczel, Henel, Henlin, Henlyn, Henn, Henne, Henneke, Henneken, Hennel, Hennequin, Henninck, Henning, Hennlin, Henssel, Henslein, Henslin, Henslo, Hentschel, Hentschil, Hensel, Hensell, Henselman, Hensil, Hensin, Hensl, Henslein, Henslin, Henslo, Hentschel, Hentschil, Henßlein, Henßlin, Heslein, Hohannes, Iannino, Ihonn, Ioham, Iohan, Iohanni, Iohnne, Ion, Ione, *Ionnes*, Janequin, Janne, Jannes, Jans, Janucho, Jehanel, Jehanin, Jehannequin, Jehannin, Jehannot, Jehanson, Jenchin, Jenchyn, Jenken, Jenkin, Jennyn, Jeschke, Jesco, Jhon, Jhonn, Jhonne, Joam, Joanes, Joannem, Joannes, Joehn, Joem, Joham, Johanan, Johane, Johanes, Johanet, Johanetus, Johanis, Johannam, Johannan, Johannas, Johanne, Johannellus, Johannelus, Johannem, Johannen, Johanninus, Johannis, Johannittus, Johannodus, Johannus, Johanodus, Johans, Johem, Johen, Johne, Johnes, Johnie, Johnn, Johnne, Johnnj, João, Jok, Joke, Jone, Jonn, Jouhen?, Jauhne, Jauhne, Juancho, Juanes, Juanico, Juanito, Nanni, Nannii, Nannini, Nannino, Nannuccio, Vanni, Vannuccio, Vannino, Zane, Zuane

William

Total= 489 = 1.4%

309: William,
85: Wilhelm,
42: Guillaume,
7: Will, Willem,
5: *Guillermo*
3: *Vilhjálmr*, Willelm, Wyll,
2: Wil, *Willim*
1: Guilhem, *Guilheumes*, Guillemín, Guilliame, *Guilliaume*, *Guillermo*, *Vilhelm*, *Vilhiálmr*, *Villiame*, Wilem, Wilham, *Wilihelm*, *Wilim*, *Willahelm*, Willeam, *Willehalm*, *Willehelm*, *Wylkyn*, Wylliam, Wylliam, *Wyllym*
0: Guilelmus, Guilham, Guilhelm, Guilhelmus, Guiliame, Guillelmus, Guillem, Guillemaque, Guillemet,

Guillemot, Guilliam, Guillot, Guleilmus, Gulemius, Gulielmus, Guliemus, Villam, Ville, Villeam', Vil-
 lelmus, Villem, Villiam, Villiem, Vuillelmus, wil3am, Wil3aim, Wil3am, Wil3ame, Wil3eam, Wil3eame,
 Wilame, Wile, Wilelmus, Wilhelmus, Wiliam, Wiliame, Will3am, Will3ame, Willa, Willaem, Willam,
 Willame, Willans, Wille, Willeam', Willea[m], Willeame, Willel, Willelmus, Willen, Willequin, Willes,
 Willi, Willi3ame, Willia, Willia3m, Williame, Williamus, Willie, Willielmi, Willielmus, Williems, Willimus,
 Willmas, Willmus, Willya, Willyam, Willym, Wilme, Wilmus, Wilyam, Wilyeam, Wilyeame, Wolliam,
 Wul, Wull, Wulle, Wyl, Wyl3ame, Wyl3eam, Wylem, Wyllin, Wyllm, Wyly, Wylyhame, Wylyam, Wyly-
 ham, Wylyhame

Peter

Total= 92 = .3%

37: Peter,
 13: Pierre,
 5: Pietro,
 4: Pedro, Perrin, Petrus,
 3: *Petr, Petros*, Pieter,
 2: *Peder*
 1: *Pedair, Pedher, Pedr, Perin, Perryn, Petyr*, Petro, *Petru*, Petruccio, *Petruchio*, Peyre, *Pier*, Piero,
Pietari
 0: Paczult, Patro, Pecolt, Pecz, Pecze, Peczo, Peczold, Peczolt, Peczuld, Pedre, Peeter, Peetere, Peire,
 Per, Peraccino, Pere, Pereret, Peri, Perico, Perinello, Perinnet, Perino, Pero, Perrenet, Perresson, Per-
 retus, Perrodus, Perrot, Perucho, Peschel, Peschke, Pesold, Pessl, Pessolt, Petermann, Petir, Petran,
 Petrino, Petrognano, Petrusch, Petsch, Petsche, Petschel, Petschko, Petschmann, Petter, Petterlen, Pex,
 Pexco, Peyr, Piere, Pieret, Pierino, Pierozzo, Pierres, Pierrey, Pieruzzo, Pietrino, Prot, Péter

Thomas

Total= 229 = .7%

200: Thomas,
 17: Tomas
 3: *Tomaso*
 2: Thom, *Tomasaz*
 1: Thoma, Thome, *Tom*, Toma, *Tomasz*,
 0: Thomaz, Tom

Nicholas

Total= 175 = .5%

53: Colin,
 33: Nicholas,
 26: *Nikolai*
 17: *Klaus*
 8: Niccolo,
 6: Nikolaus,
 5: Nicolas,
 4: Claus,
 3: *Niccola*, Nicolai,
 2: *Nicola, Nicolae*, Nicolaus, Nicolo, *Nikolaos*
 1: Clas, Colinet, Klas, *Nicholai, Nicholaus, Niklas, Nikulai*
 0: Claes, Clais, Claistgen, Clause, Clawis, Cla[i]s, Clesel, Cleys, Clos, Close, Closlin, Cloze, Clo[e]s,
 Clo[e]slin, Clo[o]slin, Clösel, Colart, Colet, Klaas, Klaes, Klose, Klösel, Micclos, Mikusch, Mixo, Nicclos,
 Nickel, Nickil, Nickl, Nicklas, Nicklos, Niclaes, Niclas, Niclawes, Niclos, Nicola, Nicolaas, Nicolaes, Nico-
 lase, Nicole, Nicz, Nicze, Nikel, Nikkel, Niklaas, Niklos, Nikolaas, Nikusch, Nitsche, Nitschke, Nychol,
 Nyclosel

Joan

Total= 298 = .9%

62: Siobhan,
33: Johanna,
29: Jane,
25: Giovanna,
20: Joanna,
19: Jehanne,
16: Jeanne,
10: Jennet,
9: Jehane,
8: Joan,
5: Jana, Janet, Jonet,
4: Jehannette, Juana,
3: Giana, Jean, Jeane, *Jeannette, Jenet*
2: Janeta, Jannet, Jayne, *Jennette*, Johanne, Nanna, Vanna,
1: Gene, Gianna, Jaine, *Janette*, Jania, Janie, *Janna*, Jannat, *Jannequinne, Jeanna, Jenette*, Jenne, Joanne, *Jonete, Siobhann*
0: Genis, Gennat, Genne, Gennet, Giannello, Giovanni, Gynne, Hennesson, Ianet, Ionat, Ionet, Ionete, Jain, Jame, Jan, Janam, Janat, Janate, Janatt, Janenta, Janett, Janetta, Jann, Jannatt, Janne, Janneken, Janneta, Jannetgen, Jannett, Jannette, Jannit, Janot, Jayn, Jehan, Jehannete, Jehannote, Jehene, Jehenete, Jehenn, Jehenne, Jehennete, Jehennette, Jenet, Jennett, Jhoan, Jhoane, Joana, Joane, Joanes, Joanett, Joannes, Johan, Johane, Johaneta, Johne, Johnet, Jonat, Jonatt, Jone, Jonnett, Juanica, Nanni, Vanni

Margaret

Total= 220 = .6%

80: Margaret,
30: Marguerite,
13: Mairghread,
9: Margarete,
8: Margarethe,
7: Margareta,
6: Magy, Margarita,
5: Margret,
4: *Greta, Gretchen*, Margot, *Margrethe*
3: Margherita, Meg, *Megge*, Merlyn,
2: *Margarette*, Margarite, *Marged, Marquérite*,
1: *Gredechin, Grietje, Magott, Maighread*, Margate, Margeret, Margerite, *Marghet, Margiad*, Margit, *Margita, Margoton*, Margred, Margreta, Margretha, Merglin, *Mergriet, Pege*, Pegge, *Peggy*
0: Ghita, Grede, Gredt, Gret, Greth, Grethlein, Grethlin, Gretlin, Grett, Grietken, Grite, Mag, Magaret, Magareta, Mage, Magherita, Magis, Magota, Magriet, Magriete, Maigis, Malgarita, Malgaritolla, Maneth, Manith, Marcherita, Marga, Margarar, Margarert, Margareth, Margaretha, Margarethea, Margarett, Margaretta, Margarida, Margarrett, Margaréta, Margat, Margatt, Margayt, Marge, Margelein, Margelin, Margeredt, Margerret, Margerrett, Margert, Marget, Margeth, Margett, Marggreth, Margharida, Margrait, Margrat, Margrate, Margratt, Margrayt, Margreat, Margrede, Margredt, Margreit, Margrete, Margreth, Margreth, Margrett, Margretth, Margriet, Margriete, Margrieten, Margrit, Margrite, Margryte, Margua, Margue, Marguelote, Marguereta, Marguerita, Margueritte, Marguesson, Marguet, Marguine, Marguot, Marusch, Maugis, Mege, Megot, Megy, Mergaret, Mergel, Mergelein, Mergelin, Mergret, Meriareta, Merlin

Mary

Total= 294 = .8%

67: *Mary*

65: Maria,
 50: Marie,
 38: Marion,
 32: Maire
 9: Mari, Marya,
 4: María, Mariette,
 2: *Mare, Marietta, Marija, Marioun, Marit*
 1: *Maili, Maleen, Malyn, Malleta, Mareike, Marien,*
 0: Maile, Maille, Makin, Makyne, Male, Malle, Mally, Maly, Mar3eom, Mar3eon, Mareoun, Mareoune, Maret, Marichgie, Mariete, Marijtgen, Mariken, Marione, Marioune, Maritgen, Maroia, Maroie, Marota, Marote, Marotte, Maroye, Marritgen, Marye, Marytgen, Marione, Mery

Alice

Total= 197 = .6%

32: Alys,
 20: Alicia,
 12: *Adelheid, Alison,*
 11: *Adelaide*
 10: *Adelicia*
 9: *Alesia*
 8: Alice, *Alisoun*
 7: *Alis*
 6: *Aelesia, Alyssa*
 5: *Adeliza*
 4: *Alysoun*
 3: *Alesone, Aleyd,*
 2: *Adelais, Adelasia, Adeliz, Aeles, Aelis, Aleid, Alexia, Alyce, Alycia, Alycie, Alyson*
 1: *Aalés, Adelheidis, Adelheit, Aelisia, Alays, Aleit, Alessia, Aleydis, Alicca, Alise, Alisha, Alisone, Alyse, Alysea, Alysia, Alysín, Alyssia, Athelas, Athelesia*
 0: Aales, Aalez, Aalis, Aaliz, Aalot, Adelice, Adelisa, Adelise, Aelidis, Alayda, Aleide, Aleidis, Ales, Aleson, Aleyden, Aleyt, Alica, Alies, Alisa, Alisia, Aliz, Alles, Allesia, Allexia, Allice, Alota, Alse, Alye, Atheleys, Olicia

Katherine

Total= 818 = 2.3%

118: Katherine,
 105: Catherine,
 63: *Caitlin*
 50: Katerina,
 37: *Kathleen*
 29: Caterina, *Katharine, Kathryn*
 20: Catalina, Katrina,
 18: Caitríona
 17: *Caitilín, Kateryn*
 15: Katerine, Katharina,
 14: *Kateline*
 13: Katheryn,
 12: *Caitriona, Katarina,*
 10: *Caitlín, Caterine, Katrine*
 9: *Caitlyn*
 8: *Catarina*
 7: *Caiterína*
 6: *Caitrin, Caitrina, Kathryn*
 5: *Katrin, Katriona*

4: *Caitilin*, *Catheryn*, *Kateryne*, *Katherina*, *Katryne*
 3: *Catarine*, *Catharine*, *Kata*, *Katerin*, *Kathrine*, *Katrin*
 2: *Caiterina*, *Catalana*, *Catalin*, *Catylyn*, *Katalena*, *Katarzina*, *Katarzyna*, *Katelin*, *Katerinka*, *Kateryna*, *Kathelyne*, *Katheryne*, *Kathren*, *Kathryne*, *Keterlyn*,
 1: *Caithlin*, *Catairiona*, *Caterucia*, *Cateryn*, *Catharina*, *Catharyne*, *Catherina*, *Catherne*, *Catheryne*, *Catylm*, *Katarine*, *Kataryna*, *Katel*, *Katelijne*, *Katelina*, *Katelyne*, *Katharin*, *Katharyn*, *Katharyna*, *Katharynne*, *Katheline*, *Katherin*, *Kathrena*, *Kathrina*, *Katlin*, *Katlyn*, *Katrein*, *Katren*, *Katriina*, *Katrijn*, *Katrozina*, *Katryna*, *Kattrin*, *Keterlin*, *Ketterlin*,
 0: *Catalyna*, *Catheren*, *Kalinen*, *Katalin*, *Katelinen*, *Kathelijnen*, *Katherein*, *Katheryna*, *Kathline*, *Kathlyne*, *Kathrin*, *Katline*, *Katlinen*, *Katlyne*, *Katlynen*, *Kató*, *Kattera*, *Katteran*, *Katterein*, *Katterin*, *Katterina*, *Katusch*, *Ka[e]lterlin*, *Ka[e]ltherlin*, *Ka[e]lterlin*, *Keth*, *Kethe*, *Ketherlein*, *Ketherlin*, *Ketlin*, *Ketherlein*, *Kettlin*, *Kiterna*,

Name distribution in the Middle Ages

I have taken the frequency data from a number of articles in the Medieval Names Archive [MNA] and from my own personal data-sets. I have lumped the data together without making any distinction in geography or time. While this obscures many interesting patterns, I feel that it will give me data which can best be compared with SCA usage, where many time periods and cultures are all lumped together, sometimes even within the same name.

In each of the various data-sets, I have looked at the top 5 masculine and feminine names. In some cases, this has been extended to the top 6–7 when there has been a tie for 5th place. In other cases, this has been cut to the top 4; this is usually the case when the data set is so small that the 5th place is occupied by all of the names which occur just once.

The names have been ranked according to a modified positional scoring rule—the most popular name in a data set is given 5 points, the next 4, the next 3, and so on. In the case of ties, each name will get the highest possible points (hence, if two names are tied for third place, they will both get 3 points). I have picked a canonical name under which all variants and pet forms are grouped together. In most cases, this canonical name is the standard English form of the name. Where no such form exists, I have used the form found in the source data set.

Variants and pet forms have all been grouped together. After each headword, I have given the references for the datasets in which the name occurs, and also listed all of the variants and diminutives. **VERY IMPORTANT:** This list of variant and diminutives should **NOT** be used for documentation for SCA registration, as I will make no distinction between forms in different languages, abbreviated forms, or inflected forms. If there is a specific variant spelling that interestes you, email me and I will provide you with the specific citation for documentation.

I have separated *Elizabeth* from *Isabel*, and *Margaret* from *Margery*. I have combined *Christine* and *Christian*, and *James* and *Jacob*.

Masculine Names

John 319 [2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 83, 84, 85, 89, 90, 91, 94]: Gianello, Gianetto, Gianello, Giannetto, Gianni, Giannino, Giannotto, Giannozzo, Giannuzzo, Giano, Gianotto, Gianozzo, Giavannino, Giohanni, Giovachino, Giovanale, Giovannatto, Giovannello, Giovannetto, Giovanni, Giovannino, Giovannozzo, Giovannuzzo, Giuhanni, Ha(n)s, Han, Hanco, Hancz, Hanequin, Hanke, Hanle, Hanman, Hancz, Hanneken, Hannequin, Hannes, Hannos, Hanns, Hannus, Hannß, Hans, Hansken, Hansman, Hanss, Hansz, Hantsch, Hantsche, Hanusch, Hanß, Hanßlein, Hencze, Henczel, Henel, Henil, Henlin, Henlyn, Henn, Henne, Henneke, Henneken, Hennel, Hennequin, Henninck, Henning, Hennlin, Henssel, Hensslein, Hensslein, Hennßlin, Henschel, Hensel, Hensell, Henselman, Hensil, Hensin, Hensl, Henslein, Henslin, Henslo, Hentschel, Hentschil, Henßlein, Henßlin, Hesselein, Hohannes, Iannino, Ieuan, Ihon, Ihone, Ihonn, Ioannes, Ioham, Iohan, Iohannes, Iohanni, Iohn, Iohne, Iohnne, Ion, Ione, Ionnes, J., Jan, Janequin, Janke, Janne, Jannes, Jans, Janucho, Janusch, Jean, Jehan, Jehanel, Jehanin, Jehannequin, Jehannin, Jehannot, Jehanson, Jehen, Jenchin, Jenchyn, Jenken, Jenkin, Jennyn, Jeschke, Jesco, Jh', Jhon, Jhon', Jhone, Jhonn, Jhonne,

	John	William	Peter	Thomas	Nicholas
England	X	X	X	X	X
Low Countries	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X		X
Italy	X		X		X
Portugal	X		X		
Scotland	X	X	X		
Spain	X	X	X		
Switzerland	X	X	X		
Wales	X	X		X	
Isle of Man	X				
Byzantium	X		X		
Hungary	X		X		X
Scandinavia					
Jewish					

	Joan	Margaret	Mary	Alice	Katherine
England	X	X	X	X	X
Low Countries	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X
Germany		X		X	X
Italy	X	X			X
Portugal		X	X		X
Scotland	X	X	X		
Spain	X	X	X		X
Switzerland	X	X		X	
Wales	X	X			X
Scandinavia		X			X
Byzantium			X		
Isle of Man	X		X		
Hungary	X				X
Ireland	X	X	X		X
Jewish					

Figure 1: Summary of the top 5 most popular names

Jn., Jo., Joahns, Joam, Joan, Joanes, Joannem, Joannes, Joehn, Joem, Joh', Joh., Joham, Johan, Johanan, Johane, Johannes, Johanet, Johanetus, Johanis, Johann, Johannam, Johannan, Johannas, Johanne, Johannellus, Johannelus, Johannem, Johannen, Johannes, Johanninus, Johannis, Johannittus, Johannodus, Johannus, Johanodus, Johans, Johem, Johen, Johes, John, Johne, Johne', Johnes, Johnie, Johnn, Johnn', Johnne, Johnne', Johnnj', João, Jok, Joke, Jon, Jone, Jonn, Jouhen?, Joughne, Joughne, João, Juan, Juancho, Juanes, Juanico, Juanito, János, Jō, Nanni, Nannii, Nannini, Nannino, Nannuccio, Vanni, Vannuccio, Vannino, Zane, Zuane

William 136 [3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 37, 38, 39, 44, 64, 66, 67, 73, 74, 80, 81, 84, 89]: Guil., Guilelmus, Guilham, Guilhelm, Guilhelmus, Guilhem, Guiliame, Guillaume, Guillelmus, Guillem, Guillemaque, Guillemet, Guillemmin, Guillemot, Guilliam, Guiliame, Guillot, Guleilmus, Gulemius, Gulielmus, Guliemus, Villam, Ville, Villeam', Villelmus, Villem, Villiam, Villiem, Vuillelmus, Wil, wil3am, Wil3aim, Wil3am, Wil3ame, Wil3eam, Wil3eame, Wilame, Wile, Wilelmus, Wilem, Wilham, Wilhelm, Wilhelmus, Wiliam, Wiliame, Will, Will', Will3am, Will3ame, Willa, Willaem, Willam, Willame, Willans, Wille, Willeam, Willeam', Willea[m], Willeame, Willel, Willelm, Willelmus, Willem, Willen, Willequin, Willes, Willi, Willi3ame, Willia, Willia3m, William, Williame, Williamus, Willie, Willielmi, Willielmus, Williems, Willimus, Willmas, Willmus, Willya, Willyam, Willym, Wilme, Wilmus, Wilyam, Wilyeam, Wilyaeme, Wlm., Wolliam, Wul, Wull, Wulle, Wyl, Wyl3ame, Wyl3eam, Wylem, Wyll,

Wylliam, Wyllin, Wyllm, Wylly, Wyllyam, Wyllyhame, Wylyam, Wylyham, Wylyhame

Peter 133 [2, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40, 45, 49, 50, 57, 60, 54, 61, 63, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 83, 90, 91, 94]: P., Paczult, Patro, Pecolt, Pecz, Pecze, Peczo, Peczold, Peczolt, Peczuld, Pedre, Pedro, Peeter, Peetere, Peire, Per, Peraccino, Pere, Pereret, Peri, Perico, Perinello, Perinnet, Perino, Pero, Perrenet, Perresson, Perretus, Perrin, Perrodus, Perrot, Perucho, Peschel, Peschke, Pesold, Pessl, Pessolt, Peter, Petermann, Petir, Petran, Petrino, Petro, Petrognano, Petruccio, Petrus, Petrusch, Petsch, Petsche, Petschel, Petschko, Petschmann, Petter, Petterlen, Pex, Pexco, Peyr, Peyre, Piere, Pieret, Pierino, Piero, Pierozzo, Pierre, Pierres, Pierrey, Pieruzzo, Pieter, Pietrino, Pietro, Prot, P eter

Thomas 50 [3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 29, 64, 67, 84]: Tho., Thoams, Thom, Thoma, Thomam, Thomas, Thomaz, Thome, Thos., Tom, Toma, Tomas

Nicholas 47 [2, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 41, 43, 45, 48, 49, 52, 53, 54, 94]: Claes, Clais, Claiſtgen, Clas, Claus, Clause, Clawis, Cla[i]s, Clesel, Cleys, Clos, Close, Closlin, Cloze, Clo[e]s, Clo[e]slin, Clo[o]slin, Cl sel, colart, Colet, Colin, Colinet, Klaas, Klaes, Klas, Klose, Kl sel, Micclos, Mikusch, Mixo, Nicclos, Niccol , Nicholas, Nickel, Nickil, Nickl, Nicklas, Nicklos, Niclaes, Niclas, Niclawes, Niclos, Nicola, Nicolaas, Nicolaes, Nicolai, Nicolas, Nicolase, Nicolaus, Nicole, Nicolo, Nicz, Nicze, Nikel, Nikkel, Niklaas, Niklos, Nikolaas, Nikolaus, Nikusch, Nitsche, Nitschke, Nychol, Nyclosel

Anthony 43 [50, 60, 57, 63, 68, 61, 54, 53, 52, 49, 48, 34, 32, 2]: Antonio, Amtonyo, Antan, Anthoine, Anthoni, Anthonio, Anthonis, Antoine, Antonello, Antonellus, Antoni, Antoni, Antonio, Antonius, Antonutius, Antonio, Ant o, Tone, Tonino, Tonio

Richard 39 [21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 5, 3, 4]: Ric', Ric'o, Ric'us, Ricardin, Ricardus, Riccus, Rich, Rich', Richard, Richarde, Richardes, Richardi, Richardus, Richart, Richeard, Richer, Richerd, Ricu's, Rycardus, Rychard, Rycharde, Rychart, Rycher, Rycher

Francis 37 [60, 59, 57, 63, 79, 36, 83, 61, 54, 52, 51, 49, 48]: Francesco, Franciscinus, Francisco, Franciscus, Francisque, Francisquo, Fran isco, Fran isquo, Fran ois, Fran oys

Robert 37 [67, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 16, 29, 28, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 5, 3, 4]: Hob, Hobbe, Rob, Rob', Robard, Robart, Robarte, Robarti, Robartus, Roben, Rober, Roberd, Robert, Roberte, Roberts, Robertt, Robertus, Robett, Robin, Robinet, Robs, Robt., Robtus, Robyne

Jacob 30 [67, 30, 68, 57, 55, 35, 46, 81, 53, 51, 32, 31, 23]: Coppijn, Coptgen, Iacobinus, Iacobus, Iacopinus, Iacopo, Iacoppus, Iame, Iames, Jacobellus, Jacobinus, Jacobucius, Jacobus, Jacoc, Jacop, Jacotin, Jacques, Jacques, Jacquet, Jacquetus, Jakkis, Jame, James, Jamet, Jamie, Jamis, Jamys, Jaquemin, Jaques, Jaquet, Jaquin, Jaquinot, Jaquob, Jaquot, Jaume

Henry 25 [26, 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 23, 25]: Haeincz, Haincz, Haini, Hainncz, Hainrich, Hainricis, Haints, Haintz, Haintzlin, Hanrich, Hantz, Heiman, Hein, Hein(z), Heinacz, Heincz, Heinczel, Heindl, Heine, Heinel, Heinke, Heinman, Heinne, Heinric, Heinrich, Heinrick, Heinricus, Heinricx, Heinrijc, Heinrike, Heinrycx, Heintz, Heintze, Heinz, Heiric, Heirrick, Hencze, Henczke, Hendrick, Hendrik, Henke, Henntz, Henr., Henric, Henrich, Henrick, Henricke, Henricus, Henricx, Heyman, Heyn, Heyncze, Heynczel, Heyne, Heyne, Heyneman, Heynich, Heynke, Heynman, Heyno, Heynric, Heynrich, Heynrick, Heynricus, Heynricx, Heynryck, Heyntsch, Heynusch, Heynzcke, Heyso, Hinricus

Alphonse 20 [79, 78, 75, 76, 72, 71, 69]: Alfonso, Alonsico, Alonso, Alsonso

Conrad 19 [45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 40]: Chunrat, Concz, Concze, Conczin, Conczlin, Conlin, Conncz, Conntz, Conra, Conrad, Conrade, Conradt, Conradus, Conrat, Contz, Contzlin, Conz, Cunad, Cunadus, Cuncz, Cunczechyn, Cuncze, Cunczel, Cunczil, Cunczke, Cunczlinus, Cune, Cuneman, Cunlin, Cuno, Cunot, Cunrad, Cunradt, Cunradus, Cunrat, Cuntschke, Cuntz, Cuntze, Cuntzlein, Cuntzlin, Cuonrat, Cu[o]n, Cu[o]nrat, Cu[o]ntz, C nczel, C nczil, C ne, C nel, C ntz, Kinczel, Kuncz, Kuncze, Kunczlein, Kune, Kunetil, Kunrat, Kunrhadt, Kuntz

Ferdinand 19 [62, 78, 77, 72, 71, 70, 69]: Feram, Fernando, Fernam, Fernan, Fernandez, Fernando, Fernand, Fernando, Fernanz, Fernando, Fern n, Ferrand, Ferrando, Ferrando, Frenandico, Frenando, Hernan, Hernando

Diego 17 [63, 79, 78, 76, 72, 70, 69, 61]: Diago, Diego, Dieguito, Dieguo, Diogo, Dioguo, Dóguo, Dyogo, Dyoguo

Bernard 12 [39, 37, 74, 73, 52]: Bernad, Bernard, Bernardo, Bernardus, Bernat

Arnold 11 [38, 37, 74, 73, 46]: Arnau, Arnaldus, Arnold, Arnoldus, Ernaldus, Ernaud

George 11 [90, 63, 46, 42, 40]: Georg, Georgius, Jhorge, Jorg, Jörg, Jorge, Jorgen

Derek / Theodore 9 [90, 26, 23]: Didde, Didderic, Didderik, Diddric, Dideric, Diederic, Diederich, Diedericx, Diederijc, Diederike, Diederjc, Diedric, Dirc, Dirkin, Dodekin, Dodijn, Dodin, Dyderic, Dyderic, Thedrico, Theodericus, Theodorus, Thiederic

Raymond 9 [76, 38, 37, 74, 73]: R., Raimundo, Raimundus, Ramon, Ramund, Ramundus, Raymundus

Steven 8 [91, 94, 90, 46]: István, Stephanus

David 7 [85, 66, 64]: Dai, Daue, Daud, Dauie, Dauy, Dauyd, David, Davy, Davyd, Dawy, Dawyd, Deicws, Deio, Deiwyn

Guido 7 [55, 51]: Guidellus, Guidicius, Guido, Guidocellus, Guidoctus, Guidolinus, Guidollus, Guidoncinus, Guidonciu, Guidonus, Guidottus, Guiducinus, Guiducius, Guiducollus, Guidus, Guidutius, Guidutus, Guiduçellus, Guiduçollus, Guiduçolus

Hugh 7 [55, 19, 39, 51]: Huc, Hugo, Ugilinellus, Ugo, Ugolinellus, Ugolinellus, Ugolino, Ugolinucius, Ugolinus, Ugollus, Ugoçonellus, Ugucio, Ugucionus, Ugutio, Uguçonellus

Alexander 6 [66, 64, 54]: Alesander, Alessandro, Alexander, Alexandir, Alexandro, Sand, Sande, Sanderis, Sandris, Sandris, Sandy, Sundris

Claude 6 [36, 2]: Claude

Dominic 6 [50, 59]: Domenico, Domenicolo, Menco, Menghino, Mengo, Menichello, Menichino, Menico, Minghino, Mingo

Goncalo 6 [62, 72]: Gomçallo, Gonçallo, Gonçalo, Gonzalo

Ladislav 6 [94, 46]: Ladislaus

Bartholomew 5 [50, 60]: Bartocco, Bartoletto, Bartolino, Bartolo, Bartolomeo, Bartolozzo, Bartolucio, Bartulo, Meo, Meone, Meuccio

Bonacorso 5 [55]: Buonacorsus, Buonacursus

Cornelius 5 [24]: Cornelis

Laurence 5 [59, 48]: Lorenzo

Moses 5 [96]: Mosse

Porsteinn 5 [87]: Porsteinn

Andrew 4 [66, 68]: Andrae, Andre, Andreow, Andreu, Andrew, Andro, Androe, Androu, Androue, Androv, Androw

Frederich 4 [42, 41]: Ffricz, Frics, Fricz, Friderich, Fridlein, Friedlein, Frietz, Fritz, Frix, Frycz, Frytz

Herman 4 [44]: Hermannus

Lewis 4 [60, 53]: Lodovicho, Loisius, Loysius, Loysus, Ludovicus

Nychod 4 [83, 81]: Nychodus, Nycodus

Solomon 4 [96]: Salamo, Salamon

Pórðr 4 [87]: Þórðr

Vidal 4 [38, 96]: Bitalis, Vidal, Vidas, Vital, Vitalis

Belardino 3 [59]: Belardino

Charles 3 [36]: Charles

Donald 3 [89]: Donald

Edward 3 [84, 15]: Edward, Edwarde

Gerard 3 [55, 26]: Geraerd, Geraert, Gerard, Gerardus, Gerart, Gerhardus, Gheerard, Gheraert, Gherard, Gherardi, Gherardinus, Gherardus, Gherart, Gherrart

Griffith 3 [85]: Gr., Gruffinus, Gruffith

Huldrich 3 [80]: Huldricus

Martin 3 [62]: Martim, Martimho, Martinho, Martym

Michael 3 [91, 40]: Miche, Michel, Michell, Mihály, Mychel

Porkell 3 [87]: Porkell

Adrian 2 [24]: Adriaen, Adrijaen, Adryaen, Aeriaen, Ariaen, Ariaentgen, Arien, Arijen, Aryaen

Albert 2 [80]: Albertus

Alvaro 2 [62]: Alvaro, Alvaro

Astruc 2 [96]: Astruc, Astruch, Astrugo, Astruguetus, Astrugus

Durant 2 [34]: Durant

Finlay 2 [89]: Fynlo

Gabriel 2 [68]: Gabriel

Philip 2 [35]: Philippes

Madoc 2 [85]: Madog

Rodrigo 2 [77, 70]: Rodrigo

Porbiörn 2 [87]: Porbiörn

Þórir 2 [87]: Þórir

Walter 2 [26]: Vualterus, Walterus, Waltherus, Wautier, Weitiin, Weitin, Weityn, Wijt, Woitijn, Woitin, Wolkerus, Wolterus, Woltherus, Wouter, Wouterkijn, Wouterzote, Woutre, Woytijn

Augustine 1 [46]: Augustinus

Bertold 1 [43]: Berchtold

Edmund 1 [17]: Edmond

Gibbon 1 [89]: Gibbon

Giles 1 [31]: Gillet

Haymon 1 [83]: Aymonetus

Joseph 1 [96]: Iuceff, Juceff

Paul 1 [91]: Pál

Roger 1 [22]: Roger

Porgeirr 1 [87]: Þorgeirr

Werner 1 [44]: Wernerus

[1, s.n. John] says:

It was rare in England in the Old English period, though it occurs from time to time as the name of a priest or monk. In early times its chief use was in the Eastern Church, and it did not become common in western Europe until after the first Crusades. The sponsor was probably more often the Baptist (who has 500 churches dedicated to him in England) than the Evangelist (181 dedications). Though John was a fairly common English name in the 12th–15th C, its singular predominance over all other names came later. An analysis of names in the register of one church gives interesting results [See Table 2.] It has been

Period	Percentage of all males baptized John
1550–99	15 1/2
1600–49	19
1650–99	28
1700–49	25
1750–99	19

Figure 2: Popularity of John

an equal favourite in other countries; French Jean, German Hans (from Johannes), Italian Giovanni, Spanish Juan, Russian Ivan, for example, are among the commonest names in their respective countries. The Welsh Evan and Irish Sean, Shane are noticed separately, as is also the nickname Jack (Scottish Jock). Johnnie is a less frequent diminutive. The Gaelic Ian (or better, Iain) is now increasingly used even in England.

Feminine Names

Joan 118 [2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 15, 17, 18, 21, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36, 50, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 78, 79, 83, 86, 89, 95]: Gene, Genis, Gennat, Genne, Gennet, Giana, Gianna, Giannello, Giovanni, Giovanna, Gynne, Hennesson, Ianet, Ionet, Ionete, Jain, Jaine, Jame, Jan, Jana, Janam, Janat, Janate, Janatt, Jane, Janenta, Janet, Janeta, Janett, Janetta, Jania, Janie, Jann, Jannat, Jannatt, Janne, Janneken, Jannet, Janneta, Jannetgen, Jannett, Jannette, Jannit, Janot, Jayn, Jayne, Jean, Jeane, Jeanne, Jehan, Jehane, Jehanne, Jehannete, Jehannette, Jehannote, Jehene, Jehenete, Jehenn, Jehenne, Jehennete, Jehennette, Jenet, Jenne, Jennet, Jennett, Jhoan, Jhoane, Joan, Joana, Joane, Joanes, Joanett, Joanna, Joanne, Joannes, Johan, Johane, Johaneta, Johanna, Johanne, Johen, Johnet, Jonat, Jonatt, Jone, Jonet, Jonnett, Juana, Juanica, Nanna, Nanni, Siobhán, Vanna, Vanni

Margaret 109 [2, 3, 4, 9, 11, 13, 17, 18, 22, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 34, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 50, 51, 58, 65, 66, 67, 68, 83, 86, 88, 95, 92, 93]: Ghita, Grede, Gredt, Gret, Greth, Grethlein, Grethlin, Gretlin, Grett, Grietken, Grite, Mag, Magaret, Magareta, Mage, Magherita, Magis, Magota, Magriet, Magriete, Magy, Maigis, Máirghréd, Malgarita, Malgaritolla, Maneth, Manith, Marcherita, Marg', Marga, Margar', Margarar', Margarert, Margaret, Magareta, Margarete, Margareth, Margaretha, Margarethe, Margarethea, Margaret, Margareta, Margarida, Margarita, Margarite, Margarrett, Margaréta, Margat, Margate, Margatt, Margayt, Marge, Margelein, Margelin, Margeredt, Margeret, Margerite, Margerret, Margerrett, Margert, Marget, Margeth, Margett, Marggareth, Margharida, Margherita, Margit, Margot, Margrait, Margrat, Margrate, Margratt, Margrayt, Margreat, Margred, Margrede, Margredt, Margreit, Margret, Margret^a, Margreta, Margrete, Margreth, Margreth, Margretha, Margrett, Margreth, Margriet, Margriete, Margrieten, Margrit, Margrite, Margryte, Margt., Margua, Margue, Marguelote, Marguereta, Marguerita, Marguerite, Margueritte, Margueson, Marguet, Marguine, Marguot, Marusch, Maugis, Meg, Mege, Megot, Megy, Mergaret, Mergel, Mergelien, Mergelin, Merglin, Mergret, Meriareta, Merlin, Merlyn, Mgaret, Pegge

- Mary** 78 [2, 25, 24, 27, 30, 28, 32, 33, 36, 38, 61, 62, 66, 67, 69, 70, 71, 78, 79, 90, 89, 95]: Maile, Maille, Máire, Makin, Makyne, Male, Malle, Mally, Maly, Mar3eom, Mar3eon, Mareoun, Mareoune, Maret, Mari, Maria, María, Marichgie, Marie, Marien, Mariete, Mariette, Marijtgen, Mariken, Marion, Marion', Marione, Marione', Marioun, Marioun', Marioune, Maritgen, Maroia, Maroie, Marota, Marote, Marotte, Maroye, Marritgen, Marya, Marye, Marytgen, Merione, Mery
- Alice** 76 [3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 28, 38, 44, 83]: Aales, Aalez, Aalis, Aaliz, Aalot, Adelheidis, Adelice, Adelisa, Adelise, Aelidis, Alayda, Alays, Aleide, Aleidis, Aleit, Ales, Ales', Aleson, Alexia, Aleyd, Aleyden, Aleydis, Aleyt, Alic', Alica, Alice, Alicia, Alies, Alisa, Alise, Alisia, Alison, Aliz, Alles, Allesia, Allexia, Alices, Alota, Also, Alyce, Alye, Alys, Atheleys, Olicia
- Catherine** 68 [10, 15, 25, 31, 32, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 47, 50, 58, 61, 68, 69, 78, 79, 86, 88, 92, 93]: Catalina, Catalyna, Caterina, Catharina, Catheren, Catherina, Catherine, Catheryn, Catheryne, Catylyn, Kalinen, Katalin, Katarina, Katelinen, Katelyne, Katerin', Katerina, Katerine, Katharina, Kathelijnen, Kathelyne, Katherein, Katherin, Katherina, Katherine, Katheryn, Katheryna, Kathline, Kathlyne, Kathrin, Katline, Katlinen, Katlyn, Katlyne, Katlynen, Kató, Katrina, Kattera, Katteran, Katterein, Katterin, Katterina, Katusch, Ka[e]terlin, Ka[e]therlin, Ka[e]tterlin, Keterlin, Keterlyn, Keth, Kethe, Ketherlein, Ketherlin, Ketlin, Ketterlin, Kettherlein, Kettlin, Kiterna
- Agnes** 59 [67, 27, 8, 86, 66, 22, 21, 19, 18, 47, 16, 34, 28, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 4]: A'gnes, Agn., Agnas, Agne, Agnelet, Agnes, Agnesot, Agnesson, Agnet, Agneta, Agnete, Agnetes, Agnetis, Agneton, Agnetum, Agngess, Agnies, Agnis, Agnnes, Agnus, Anes, Aneson, Anesot, Angas, Anges, Angnes, Annas, Annes, Annete, Annice, Annis, Anns, Annus, Anny, Annya, Augnete, Canne, Canny, Canny, Canny, Ennés, Kanne, Nanins, Nanne, Nannis, Nannys, Nans, Nanss, Nest, Neste, Niesenn
- Elizabeth** 59 [67, 93, 86, 66, 17, 47, 45, 44, 15, 65, 43, 42, 41, 40, 11, 9, 3, 24, 25]: Besse, Besseta, Bessie, Bessy, Bet, Betgen, Beth, Betken, Beton, Bettlin, Eili3abetht, Elbith, Elesabeth, Elesepeth, Elezabet, Elezabeth, Eli3abetht, Eli3ibeth, Eli3ibetht, Elisabeth, Elisabethe, Elisabetht, Elison, Eliz., Eliza, Elizabet, Elizabeta, Elizabeth, Elizabetha, Elizabethhe, Elizabetht, Elizabethhe, Elizebeth, Elizibetht, Ellab, Elles, Ellesebeth, Ellice, Ellis, Ells, Ellsabeth, Ellsebeth, Ellsebeyth, Ellsabeth, Ellysabeth, Ellzebeth, Els, Elsa, Elsab, Elsabet, Elisabeth, Elisabetha, Elisabethe, Elsapeth, Elsb, Elsbeth, Else, Elsebee, Elsebeth, Elsebyth, Elsepath, Elseth, Elsopeth, Elspet, Elspeth, Elssebeth, Elssebeyth, Elsslin, Eltzabet, Elxeth, Elysabethe, Elyzabeth, Elyzaibethe, Elyzaibeyhe, Elzabe, Elizabeth, Elizabethhe, Elze, Elzebeth, Elß, Elßbeth, Elße, Elßlein, Elßlin, Erzsébet, Esebeyth, Esebeyth, Ilse, Libby, Lijbet, Lijsbeth, Lijsbette, Liljsbeth, Lirken, Lybet, Lysbet, Lysbeth, Lysbetten, Nele, Neleke
- Anne** 44 [92, 93, 79, 17, 15, 61, 43, 42, 41, 40, 3, 24, 25]: Aenlin, A[e]ennlin, A[e]ndlin, A[e]nlin, A[e]nnlin, An, An(n), Ana, Ane, Anen, Ann, Anna, An[n]a, Anne, Anneken, Annen, Annetgen
- Isabel** 35 [30, 27, 79, 78, 18, 70, 65, 61, 34, 12, 11]: Bell, Belot, Esabell, Esbell, Essabel, Essabell, Esbell, Essybell, Ezabell, Eziabell, Isaabell, Isab, Isabeau, Isabel, Isabela, Isabelica, Isabell, Isabella, Isabellam, Isabelle, Isabeu, Isabiaus, Isable, Isaebell, Isbel, Isbell, Isebell, Isobella, Issabell, Issabella, Issable, Issbell, Issebell, Issobell, Izabel, Izabell, Izabella, Izabial, Izabiaus, Izebell, Osabell, Ysabeau, Ysabel, Ysabelet, Ysabell, Ysabella, Ysabelle, Ysabellet, Ysabet, Ysabiau, Ysabiaus, Yssabell, Yzabel, Yzabela, Yzabell, Yzabella, Yzabels
- Matilda** 22 [22, 19, 44, 16, 14, 12, 10, 4]: Maghtild', Matild, Matild', Matilda, Matill', Matillis, Mehtildis, Mott, Moude
- Christine** 23 [8, 89, 88, 16, 65, 12, 7, 6]: Christiana, Christina, Christine, Cristane, Cristen, Cristene, Cristian, Cristiana, Cristina, Cristine
- Gertrude** 14 [26, 45, 44]: Gele, Gerdrut, Gerke, Gertrudis, Gertruid, Gersch, Gersch, Gheertrud, Ghertrude, Girdrud, Gyrlin, Lusche
- Willelma** 13 [30, 39, 38, 33]: Guilhema, Guillelma, Guillemette, Willelma
- Beatrice** 11 [62, 22, 83, 61]: Beatrice, Beatrisia, Beatrix, Beatriz, Betriz, Briatiz, Britiz

Constance 10 [90, 70, 69]: Costança, Constança, Constantina

Peronne 10 [30, 58, 33, 32, 28]: Peronne, Perrette, Perronele, Perronnele, Perronnelle, Peyrona, Piera, Pironne

Barbara 9 [92, 93, 40]: Barb, Barba, Barbara, Barbarra, Barbel, Barbelin, Berbelin, Berberin, Berblein, Berblin, Borbála

Benvenuta 9 [56, 51]: Benvenuta

Ellen 9 [21, 43, 7]: A[e]llin, Aellin, A[e]llin, Elena, Ellen

Frances 9 [68, 51, 2]: Francesca, Francina, Francisca, Franciscina, Françoise

Juliana 9 [8, 90, 10, 6]: Gilian, Iuliana, Julian, J[u]lian, Juliana

Antonia 8 [50, 58, 2]: Anthoinette, Antoinette, Antonia, Antonio

Cunigunde 8 [44, 42, 41]: Chunegundis, Kuen, Ku[e]n, Kungund, Kungundt, Kungunt, Kunigund, Kunigundt, Kunlein

Theresa 8 [62, 71, 70, 69]: Tareija, Tarejja, Teresa, Tereysa, Theresa

Amice 7 [14, 6]: Amicia

Eleanor 7 [62, 70]: Leonor, Lianor, Lionor

Astruga 6 [39, 96, 34]: Astruga, Astrugha

Cecilia 6 [20, 88]: Cecilia, Cicilia

Emma 6 [21, 19, 6]: Emma, Emmota

Angharad 5 [85]: Angharad

Clara 5 [56]: Clara, Clarastella, Clarissima

Dydgi 5 [85]: Dydgu

Eulàlia 5 [68]: Eulàlia

Galharda 5 [38]: Galharda, Gualharda

Guenivere 5 [85]: Wehnover

Ines 5 [62, 78]: Enes, Ines, Inés, Ynes, Ynés

Isolde 5 [6, 4]: Is', Isolda

Mór 5 [95]: Mór

Qamar 5 [97]: Qamar

Regina 5 [96]: Regina

Þuríðr 5 [87]: Þuríðr

Agatha 4 [7]: Agatha

Anastasia 4 [90]: Anastasia

Aster 4 [96]: Aster

Calyhony 4 [89]: Calyhony

Claude 4 [36]: Claude

Fionnghuala 4 [95]: Fionnghuala
Ingeborg 4 [88]: Ingeborg
Lucard 4 [44]: Lucardis, Lugardis
Madeleine 4 [36]: Madeleine, Magdalenne
Rose 4 [56, 10]: Rois, Rosa, Rosana, Rosanella, Roys
Sadb 4 [95]: Sadb, Sadhbh
Þorgerðr 4 [87]: Þorgerðr
Simha 4 [97]: Simha
Adél 3 [92]: Ade
Auesoete 3 [26]: Auasoeta, Auesoete, Auuezoete, Avesoeten, Avesoten
Bonafilia 3 [96]: Bonafilia, Bonafylla
Cornelia 3 [24]: Neeltgen
Flors 3 [34]: Flors
Gráinne 3 [95]: Gráinne
Ĥannā 3 [97]: Ĥannā
Imelda 3 [51]: Imelda, Imeldina, Ymeldina
Ĥrisz 3 [92]: Irisko
Marina 3 [71]: Marina
Patricia 3 [90]: Patricia
Þórdís 3 [87]: Þórdís
Tiffany 3 [31]: Tiephaine
Bartolomea 2 [50, 58]: Bartola, Bartolina, Bartolo, Bartolomea, Bartolomeo, Mea
Berta 2 [26]: Berta, Berte, Bette, Bre, Breghta
Bonadona 2 [96]: Bonadona
Edith 2 [19]: Editha
Flora 2 [56]: Flore, Florese, Florita, Florula
Gerarda 2 [33]: Gerarda
Helga 2 [87]: Helga
Imigla 2 [51]: Imigla
Margery 2 [16, 13]: Margeria
Stīr 2 [97]: Stīr
Úna 2 [95]: Úna
Bernarda 1 [33]: Bernarda
Bruna 1 [56]: Bruna, Brunella

Denise 1 [30]: Denise, Denisete, Denisette

Derbáil 1 [95]: Derbáil, Der bFáil, Dearbháil

Liphilt 1 [45]: Libe, Libeste, Libusch, Liphilt

Mermeta 1 [83]: Mermeta

Sāra 1 [97]: Sāra

Sultāna 1 [97]: Sultāna

Dórunn 1 [87]: Dórunn

Verde 1 [56]: Verde, Verdelanda, Verderia, Verdiana, Verdis, Verederosa, Virdiana, Viridis

Violet 1 [65]: Violet

Name uniqueness and conflict

Determining name conflict

The rules governing conflict of personal names can be found in [RfS, V.1]:

Names may not be too similar to the names of others, as is required by General Principle 3a of these rules. Names need to be distinguished from each other both in their written form and when heard in announcements. This section defines ways in which submitted names may differ sufficiently from protected names.

1. Personal Names—Personal names must be significantly different from other protected personal names.

- a. Difference of Name Phrases—Two name phrases are considered significantly different if they differ significantly in sound and appearance. Name phrases that are not significantly different are said to be equivalent.

Variant spellings of the same word or name, no matter how radical, are not considered significantly different unless there is also a significant difference in pronunciation. Low German Flaschenträger could be spelled vlaschendreyger in 1430, but the pronunciation was essentially the same, so vlaschendreyger and Flaschenträger are equivalent. Such variant spellings may be registered where appropriate but do not make the name different. Examples and further restrictions for different types of name phrase are given below.

- i. Given Names - Two given names are significantly different only if they differ significantly in sound and appearance. Irrespective of differences in sound and appearance, a given name is not significantly different from any of its diminutives when they are used as given names. However, two diminutives of the same given name are significantly different if they differ significantly in sound and appearance.

Mary is equivalent to the French Marie, since neither the appearance nor the sound is significantly different; it is significantly different from the Hebrew Miriam, since it differs significantly in sound and appearance and neither name is a diminutive of the other. Similarly, Ali is significantly different from Auda. Hob is a diminutive of Robert and therefore equivalent to it, and for the same reason Kunz is equivalent to Konrad. But Hob and Robin are significantly different; though both are diminutives of Robert, they look and sound significantly different. The same holds for Nickel and Klas, which are both diminutives of Niclas.

- ii. Bynames—Two bynames are significantly different if they look and sound significantly different. In general the addition or deletion of prepositions and articles is not significant. Additional restrictions apply to certain types of bynames as specified below.

Blacksmith is significantly different from Smith. Le Vanur ‘the basketmaker’ is not significantly different from le vannere ‘the winnower or maker of fans or winnowing-baskets’ because the pronunciations are not significantly different.

Cum Barba is significantly different from Beard and Witheberd ‘with the beard’, but Beard is equivalent to Witheberd. Der grosse Esel ‘the great ass’ is significantly different from der Esel, and with the Long Nose is significantly different from with the Crooked Nose. The Lion is not significantly different from de Lyon .

Brekeleg is significantly different from Brekeheved ‘break head’. Waggespere is significantly different from Shakespeare.

- (a) Bynames of Relationship - Two bynames of relationship are significantly different if the natures of the relationships or the objects of the relationships are significantly different.

Smythwyf is significantly different from Smithson because the nature of the relationship is significantly changed; it is significantly different from Tomwyf because the object of the relationship has been changed (from Smith to Tom).

Mac Korkyll ‘son of Thorcull’ is equivalent to nyk Korkyll ‘daughter of the son of Torcull’, and Richards is equivalent to Richard and to Richardson; in each case the sound is insufficiently different. Hobson is significantly different from Robertson , however, because Hob and Robert differ significantly in sound and appearance and are not being used in given names.

- (b) Locative Bynames - Two locative bynames need not refer to different places in order to be considered significantly different; they need only look and sound sufficiently different.

Der Brabanter is equivalent to von Brabant; such bynames were interchangeable in period. However, de Flandre is significantly different from le Flemyng because Flandre and Flemyng are significantly different in sound and appearance. York is equivalent to of York, Münstermann is equivalent to von Münster, and Undertheclyf is equivalent to del Clif and Cliff. Zum Roten Löwen ‘at the Red Lion’ is significantly different from zum Löwen and from zum Blauen Löwen ‘at the Blue Lion’. Lion (from a sign name) is not significantly different from de Lyon because the bynames do not differ significantly in appearance.

- b. Conflict of Personal Names—Two personal names conflict unless at least one of the following conditions is met.

- i. Given Names—Two personal names do not conflict if the given names are significantly different.

Sancha Alfonso Carrillo does not conflict with Juan Alfonso Carrillo. Hob Gage conflicts with Robert Gage because Hob is not significantly different from Robert (of which it is a diminutive).

- ii. Number of Name Phrases—A personal name containing at most two name phrases does not conflict with any personal name containing a different number name phrases.

Thóra Arnthórudóttir does not conflict with Thóra in spaka Arnthórudóttir; Pedro Fernandez does not conflict with Pedro Fernandez Perez.

- iii. Order of Name Phrases—Two personal names that contain equivalent name phrases arranged in different orders do not conflict if the change in order significantly changes the meaning of the name as a whole.

Klein Konrad conflicts with Konrad der Kleine : they could well refer to the same person. Owen ap Morgan ap Gruffudd does not conflict with Owen ap Gruffudd ap Morgan : as they have different fathers, they cannot be the same person.

Aed Dub mac Cormaic ‘Black Aed son of Cormac does not conflict with Aed mac Cormaic Duib ‘Aed son of Black Cormac , and Hrólfr dúfunef Bjarnarson ‘Hrólfr dove-nose son of Björn does not conflict with Hrólfr Bjarnarson dúfunefs ‘Hrólfr son of Björn dove-nose . William Brun le Mercer conflicts with William Mercer le Brun, both meaning ‘William with brown hair who is a merchant in fine textiles.

iv. Change of Name Phrases—Two personal names do not conflict if each contains a name phrase that is significantly different from every name phrase in the other. William Jamesson the Smith does not conflict with William Jamesson the Carter because each of the phrases the Smith and the Carter appears in one name but not the other. Gilbert Fletcher the Long of Kent conflicts with Gilbert Long Fletcher because (1) the latter name contains no phrase that is significantly different from every phrase of the former name, and (2) the change in order of the second and third name phrases does not significantly change the meaning of the name.

c. Historical Personal Names - Protected historical personal names are protected in all of the forms in which they commonly appear.

Charlemagne, which becomes Carolus Magnus in Latin and Karl der Grosse in German, is protected in all three forms.

The undesireability of name uniqueness?

So what can you do if you think that name uniqueness in the SCA is not desirable? File a blanket letter of permission to conflict with your name. This can be done by filling out the following form, printing it, signing it, and mailing two copies to your kingdom submissions herald:

I, [Name], known in the SCA as [Society name] waive the full protection of my registered name "[Registered name]". I grant permission to any future submitter to register a name that is (not identical to/at least a syllable different from) my registered name. I understand that this permission can be withdrawn by written notice to the Laurel Sovereign of Arms, but that conflicting items registered while it is in force will remain registered.

[Date] [Signature of [Name]]

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