

CAPInv. 1259: to koinon ton s[... tes lam(pras)] kai lam(protates)
Oxyrhynchit[on poleos

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Egypt
ii. Nome	Oxyrhynchites (U19)
iii. Site	Oxyrhynchus

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	τὸ κοινόν τῶν σ[c.12 τῆς λαμ(πρᾶς)] καὶ λαμ(προτάτης) Ὀξυρυγχιτ[ῶν πόλεως (P.Oxy. LIV 3730, ll. 3-4)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>to koinon ton s[... tes lam(pras)] kai lam(protates) Oxyrhynchit[on poleos</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	308 - 312 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Geographical: <i>tes lam(pras)] kai lam(protates) Oxyrhynchit[on poleos</i>
iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>
Note	<i>koinon</i> : P.Oxy. LIV 3730, ll. 3

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	P.Oxy. LIV 3730 (AD 308-312)
Online Resources	P.Oxy. LIV 3730 TM 15234

i.a. Source type(s)	Papyrological source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Application to a logistes in Greek: this document is a declaration of some sort to the local administration from an association.
i.c. Physical format(s)	papyrus

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	μηνιάρχης, <i>meniarches</i> : there were two <i>meniarchai</i> , [διὰ] μηνιαρχῶν Α[ὕρ(ηλίων) c.13] καὶ Σαρμάτου Ἀρτεμιδώ[ρου, [dia ...] <i>meniarchon A[urelion ...] kai Sarmatou Artemido[rou (Il. 4-6)</i> .
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

vi. Proper names and physical features	Aurelius [- - -] son of [- - -]; Aurelius Sarmates son of Artemidorus
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	Application to a local official, the <i>logistes</i> (<i>curator civitatis</i>).
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	monthly price declarations; associations declared the prices of goods; price information was apparently collected and kept on file by authorities.
iii. Bibliography	<p>P.Oxy. LIV 3730 intr., appendix II.</p> <p>Bagnall, R. (2000), 'Governmental roles in the economy of late antiquity', in E. Lo Cascio and D. Rathbone (eds.) <i>Production and public powers in classical antiquity</i>. Cambridge: 86-91.</p> <p>Coles, R. (1980) 'P. Oxy. I 85 Revised', ZPE 39: 115-23.</p> <p>Coles, R. (1980) 'P. Harr. 73 and 160 Revised', ZPE 37 (1980): 229-39.</p>

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	As R. A. Coles points out in his edition, it is perhaps not a declaration of prices, of which there are numerous examples from Oxyrhynchus at this time. Instead, he suggests it may be closer to P.Oxy. LIV 3728 (306 CE: CAPInv. 1260), an application submitted by the donkey sellers in fulfillment of an unknown request. Although this association provided information to city administration, there is nothing to suggest that membership was compulsory. So we can be assured that this is a private association.