

The Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Ohio
CRYPTIC EDUCATION LEADERSHIP and LEARNING
RESOURCE TRAINING COURSE

C.E.L.L. II
Officer's Manual
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**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS CAN BE FOUND IN THE GRAND COUNCIL OF R. & S.
MASONS OF OHIO OFFICER MANUAL**

1. Every officer should be selected with an eye to his, ability, his character and his zeal for the institution. True False
2. No _____ should be started in a line of officers unless he has the ability, character and enthusiasm for the task.
3. Once started, although his displacement might be unpleasant, he should not be _____ to continue if he is deficient in these attributes.
4. TRUE OR FALSE: The officers of a constituent Council are elected at the first Stated Assembly either in the month of May or June, in accordance with the Council's By-Laws. True False
5. If elected by the Council, a companion may be installed, even though he has not yet received the Super Excellent Master Degree. True False
6. Any member, in good standing, may be elected to the office of Illustrious Master. True False
7. Notwithstanding our commonly accepted practice of progression in office, election or appointment is not a _____ of advancement.
8. No officer automatically _____ to fill a station vacated.
9. He may be designated by the _____ to fill it pro tempore or, under certain circumstances, a special election may be held in compliance with the Code.
10. Any Illustrious Master or Past Master may install officers when properly requested to do so. True False
11. A member may object to an officer being installed, without giving a reason. True False
12. A stated meeting of Royal and Select Masters is called :
A .. A meeting
B .. A communication
C... A convocation
D .. An assembly
E .. Any of the above _____
13. If approved by the Master, the opening of an Assembly may be delayed to allow more time for members to arrive. True False
14. A Council may be adjourned whenever necessary True False

15. A Stated Assembly falling during Holy Week must be held. Special activities and degree work between Palm Sunday and Easter are improper, however. True False
16. The Illustrious Master, or in his absence, the Deputy Master or Principal Conductor of the Work, is bound by the provisions of parliamentary law. True False
17. Any companion, designated by the Master, may preside while the Master is present. True False
18. A designated companion familiar with the ritual and with a clear distinct voice should prompt from the ritual – never from memory. True False
19. The Super Excellent Master Degree must be conferred each year, whether there is a candidate or not. True False
20. There is a "short form" Super Excellent Master Degree that may be authorized by the Most Illustrious Grand Master True False
21. As in the lodge, the apron is worn "free-flowing" _____ of the suit coat.
22. A pro-tem officer should wear the apron of that office. True False
23. The names of candidates may be published, to encourage members to attend. True False
24. The Grand Council of Ohio must conform to the Code of the Grand Lodge of Ohio and the Code of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio. True False
25. Solicitation for membership in Cryptic Masonry is encouraged. Every Master Mason should become a Royal Arch Mason and then be privileged to receive the lessons conveyed in Council. True False
26. No ballot is needed to elect a man to membership in an Ohio Council. True False
27. If a demit is lost, a new one may be obtained for a small fee. True False
28. Public Grand Honors shall always be extended to the Grand Master, or his proxy, Past Grand Masters, Grand Officers of the Grand Council of Ohio, Current Arch Adjutants, holders of the Distinguished Achievement Award, the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Ohio, the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, and the Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, unless they direct otherwise. True False
29. Grand Honors should not be extended to 33* Masons or K.Y.C.H. Masons. True False
30. The Master should remain standing after receiving the Inspecting Officer in the east. True False
31. On official visitations, Grand Honors must also be given to any companion holding the _____ of the Grand Master.
32. When the Grand Master and his proxy are both present, the Grand Master is received _____ unless he directs otherwise.

33. When receiving the Inspecting Officer in the East, you should present him the gavel and covering. True False
34. The Councils in Ohio are divided into how many Arches? (6) (9) (12) (27) ____
35. The Grand Council created its diabetic camp visitations in 1977 to provide financial assistance to enable diabetic children to attend special camps catering to diabetic needs of youth. (This fund has since been renamed the "Diabetic Kids Fund".) True False
36. The Council Inspection date is set by:
 A. The Ill. Master of the Council.
 B. The Arch Inspector.
 C. The Arch Adjutant and Inspector.
 D. The Grand Council

37. Any member in good standing, may be appointed as Arch Adjutant. True False
38. The Arch Adjutant is entitled to receive Grand Honors. True False
39. Every state in the United States has a Grand Council RSM. True False
40. Any member of a Council may object to a visitor attending the assembly and the visitor cannot be admitted. True False
41. Officers and companions should be standing during all prayers and obligations True False
42. The officers of a Council should never be in casual dress True False
43. In Cryptic Masonry, the Master is not required to wear a covering True False
44. The fiscal year for the constituent Councils is _____ through _____.
 A. 1 January through 31 December
 B. 15 April through 14 April
 C. 1 June through 31 May
 D. 1 August through 31 July

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46. Who has the authority to dispose of expired records:
 A ... The Master
 B ... The Recorder
 C ... The Trustees
 D ... The Grand Master
 E ... The Grand Recorder
 F ... None of the above

47. If the Master has a question about the Code, after consulting with the Arch Inspector, he may refer to the Grand Master for a decision True False
48. The Grand Master or Arch Inspector has the authority to cancel a stated meeting True False
49. Ohio is not a member of the General Grand Council. True False
50. Grand Honors may be extended in any of the Council degrees True False
51. The Grand Council is composed of the Grand officers, Past Grand officers, Arch Inspectors and Arch Adjutants True False
52. In what year was the Grand Council of Ohio organized? _____
53. Even though Ohio is not a member of the General Grand Council, Ohio must abide by the rules and regulations established by the General Grand Council True False
54. The state is divided into nine Arches each year by the Grand Master True False
55. The Council Inspection may be held anytime after the Grand Council session and before the summer break True False
56. A companion cannot receive his 25 or 50 year membership pin until the actual anniversary date has been reached True False
57. Which Council officer is responsible for attending each Arch meeting and activity in preparation to preside?
 A. Captain of the Guard
 B. P.C.W.
 C. Deputy Master
 D. Conductor of Council _____
58. Which Council Officer "should instruct the candidate in Council procedure"?
 A. Steward
 B. P.C.W.
 C. Deputy Master
 D. Conductor of Council _____
59. Which Council Officer is responsible "for the proper preparation of the Assembly room" for each meeting?
 A. Steward
 B. P.C.W.
 C. Deputy Master
 D. Conductor of Council _____
60. Which Council Officer "supervises the refreshment committee"?
 A. Steward
 B. Captain of the Guard
 C. Deputy Master
 D. Conductor of Council _____

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS CAN BE FOUND IN THE SELECT MASTER RITUAL

61. The candidate should be wearing a coat when receiving this degree. True False
62. The candidate should be clothed in a plain white apron. True False
63. The staves should be in the Ark of the Covenant. True False
64. The nine candles on the pedestals should only be lighted during the time when the deposits are made in the Ark of the Covenant. True False
65. The room should be well lighted, so the candidates can easily see what is taking place. True False
66. When the gong sounds at the beginning of the Select Master Degree, it should strike how many times.
A. One
B. Twelve
C. Nine

67. Ashishar should be quietly asleep, so as not to distract from the speaking. True False
68. SM degree: True or False: The use of Arches is imperative. True False
69. The Seven-Branched Candlestick, used in this degree, may be lighted for better effect True False
70. As the candidates enter, Ahashir may be seated in a chair near the door, rather than lying down. True False
71. If more than one candidates is receiving the degree, they may be seated in the room to witness the work but must step over a sleeping Ahashir when being brought in True False
72. In the SM degree: A small pedestal and _____ should be placed by the altar for the use of King Solomon for the obligation.
A. Ritual
B. A small object
C. Gavel

73. While K.S. is administering the obligation to the candidates, H.T. and H.A. should each be at his side to show support of the obligation True False
74. If there is more than one candidate, only the working candidate kisses the Bible. True False
75. True or False: It is appropriate for the workmen in the Arches for the Select Master Degree to wear the robes of Cherubim? True False
False

76. Each Arch workman in the Select Master Degree is equipped with a _____ and a _____.
- A. Sword and a Trowel
 - B. Stone and a Chisel
 - C. Mud and a towel
 - D. None of the above
- _____
77. When the candidate enters the Ninth Arch, the three officers in the east should step down to the floor True False
78. Upon entering the ninth Arch, K.S. tells the candidate: "You have now been received as the Kings intimate friend, and regularly advanced in _____, _____, and _____, and through the first eight Arches of the Secret Vault.
- A. Faith, Hope and Charity
 - B. Secrecy, Silence and Darkness
 - C. Admitted without fanfare
- _____
79. After K.S. speaks about the recovery of the word, H.K.T. and H.A. remove the top of the Ark without being told to do so by K.S True False
80. H.K.T. and H.A. should step back from the Ark each time that K.S. returns for another article for deposit True False
81. When the three Grand Masters deposit their jewels on top of the Ark, the 90' angle of each jewel should meet in the center of the triangle. True False
82. The candidates may be seated or standing during the history lecture. True False
83. What 3 languages appear on the triangular plate of gold?
- A. German, English and Egyptian
 - B. Spanish, Anglo and Caldaic
 - C. Syriac, Caldaic and Egyptian
 - D. None of the above
- _____
84. In the Charge of the Select Master Degree, the candidate is told to:
- A. Let Uprightness and Integrity attend your steps;
 - B. Let Justice and Mercy mark your conduct;
 - C. Let Fervency and zeal stimulate you in the discharge of the various duties incumbent you.
 - D. All of the above
- _____
85. There is a "short form closing" that can be used to close a Council of Select Masters? True False

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