

Masefield Chapter No 2034

By-Laws of the Chapter

1 Times of Meetings

Regular Convocations shall be held at the Moseley Masonic Hall, Kings Heath, at such hours as the Principals shall direct, on the first Monday in the Months of February, April, October and December.

2 Annual Subscription

The Annual Subscription shall be ----- which will not include refreshments. Dining Fees for members and visitors will be fixed by the Chapter from time to time. In the case of a member residing at a distance of more than 25 miles from the place of meeting or on account of other approved circumstances the Chapter may, by special vote, elect him a Country Member, when the subscription shall be ----- per annum which shall not include the cost of refreshment.

All subscriptions are payable in advance in October, and no member shall be allowed to hold office, or vote, or ballot on any question whatever if his dues are unpaid for 12 months.

3 Election of Officers

The Officers shall be annually elected by ballot in April. The Principals will be installed, and the other Officers appointed and invested at the next Regular Convocation of the Chapter in October.

4 Propositions

Should one negative appear in the ballot, this shall exclude.

5 Exaltation and Joining Members

The Exaltation Fee shall be ----- which shall include the Registry, Grand Chapter Certificate, and copy of the By-Laws.

The Joining Fee shall be ----- . Re-Joining Fee ----- .

6 Resignation of Members

If any Companion be desirous of withdrawing from the Chapter, he shall signify his intention in open Chapter, or by letter to the Scribe E, and on payment of all dues, he shall be intitled to a clearance certificate.

7 Exclusion of members

Every Member whose subscription is unpaid for more than one year shall be liable to be excluded in strict conformity with Rules 148 and 181 (Craft Book of Constitutions).

8 Visitors

Any Visiting Companion invited by a Member of the Chapter shall be considered the guest of such Member, who shall pay the Dining Fee, but the First Principal shall have power to defray from the funds of the Chapter, the usual refreshment expenses of visitors, whom he may in his discretion consider guests of the Chapter generally.

9 Auditing of accounts

Two Companions shall be elected in April for the purpose of Auditing the Treasurer's Accounts, and report the same to the Chapter on the day of Installation.

10 Alteration of By-Laws

No alteration in, or addition to, these By-Laws shall be made except by Resolution carried in a Regular Meeting of the Chapter after due notice given to the Scribe E., and inserted in the summons for the Meeting at which it is intended to be made. At such Meeting any Member present may move an amendment to the alteration proposed, and such amendment shall be first put to the Meeting, and, if carried, shall then be put as a Substantive Resolution. If the proposed alteration, or the amendment thereto, should be agreed and afterwards confirmed and duly approved by the Grand Superintendent, and the M.E. the First Grand Principal, the Scribe E. shall enter the same in the book of the By-Laws.