

United Grand Lodge of England

Registration Form A

FORM PROVIDED UNDER RULES 159, 160, 163 AND 164, BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS

D.G.L.

Application for admission to membership of _____ Lodge No _____

Meeting at _____ District of _____

This form (when completed by the Candidate and his Proposer and Seconder) is to be handed to the Secretary of the Lodge previous to the Meeting at which the proposition is made, on which occasion sufficient particulars of the Candidate are to be stated in order that those present may be enabled to identify him. Subsequently it must be forwarded, with the Certificates of the Master and the Secretary duly signed, to your District Grand Secretary, if applicable, together with the current registration fee, for onward transmission to the Grand Secretary.

In accordance with the requirements of Rule 163, Book of Constitutions, a Joining member must produce, for inspection by the Secretary, his Grand Lodge certificate and clearance certificates from all the Lodges of which he is or has been a member. In the case of a Joining member from another Constitution, the enquiry under Rule 163(e) must be made before the ballot is taken.

A To be filled up by the Candidate, in his own handwriting unless prevented by physical disability (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

Surname _____

Forenames **in Full** _____

Home Address _____

A FULL ADDRESS NOT P.O. BOX NUMBER SHOULD BE GIVEN

Postcode _____ Telephone Nos. _____

e-mail address _____

Profession/Occupation/Trade/Rank (PLEASE STATE) _____

A PRECISE DEFINITION OF OCCUPATION OR FORMER OCCUPATION IF RETIRED IS ESSENTIAL. TERMS SUCH AS COMPANY DIRECTOR OR CIVIL SERVANT ARE NOT SUFFICIENTLY DESCRIPTIVE

Employer _____

Business Address _____

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YY) _____

To be filled up by Candidates for JOINING and RE-JOINING only

Give the names and numbers of all Lodges of which you are, and at any time have been, a member, the year of your admission, and the rank you held therein. **If joining from another Grand Lodge, its name, number and Constitution must be clearly stated.**

Name and Number of Lodge	Constitution (if not UGLE)	Rank	Date of Admission	Date of leaving if no longer a member

Data Protection

Mandatory consent: I have received and read a copy of the Blue Form and I hereby consent to the processing of my personal data for the purposes set out in it.

Optional charities consent: I am willing for my personal data to be shared with Masonic charities so that they can process it (*please tick as applicable*):

- on receipt of an application for relief, to determine whether I or my relatives are eligible beneficiaries
- to enable Masonic charities to contact me with fundraising materials

For office use only

TO BE SIGNED BY ALL CANDIDATES

Signature _____ Date (DD/MM/YY) _____

To be filled up by Candidates for INITIATION only, except for paragraph 5 which shall be subscribed to also by Candidates for JOINING or RE-JOINING who are unattached in accordance with Rule 127, Book of Constitutions.

Have you ever been proposed for membership in any Lodge, or has your admission to any Lodge ever been sought either by yourself or by anyone on your behalf ? YES / NO

Give the name and number of any or every such Lodge:

I wish to become a Candidate for initiation in and membership of the Lodge first named overleaf and I declare that:-

1. My application is entirely voluntary.
2. I understand that my duties as a Freemason would include an overriding duty to obey the laws of any country to which I may be subject.
3. I do not expect, anticipate or seek any preferment or financial benefit as a consequence of my being a member of the Craft.
4. I understand that I may freely declare my membership of the Order on any occasion when I can be seen not thereby to be pursuing any business, professional or personal advantage.
- †5.
 - a. I have never been convicted by a Court of any offence
 - b. I have never been the subject of a finding of dishonest or disgraceful conduct
 - c. I have never been disciplined by any professional, trade or other tribunal
 - d. I am not awaiting the outcome of proceedings against me before a criminal court or a professional, trade or other tribunal
 - e. I am not, to the best of my knowledge, the subject of any criminal, professional, trade or other investigation.
- ‡6. I am not and have not been in any way connected with any organisation which is quasi-Masonic, imitative of Masonry, or regarded by the Grand Lodge as irregular or as incompatible with the Craft.
7. I undertake that if any paragraph in this declaration should become untrue or misleading at any time before I am made a Mason, I will inform my proposer and seconder without delay, and agree that by presenting myself at the meeting at which I am to be made a Mason I shall represent that this declaration remains true.

† IF THE CANDIDATE CANNOT MAKE THIS DECLARATION WITHOUT QUALIFICATION, OR IN ANY DOUBT AS TO THE SCOPE OF THIS PARAGRAPH HE MUST CONSULT HIS PROPOSER AND SECONDER BEFORE SIGNING THIS FORM OR OTHERWISE CONTINUING WITH HIS APPLICATION. PARAGRAPH 5 MUST BE AMENDED BY DELETING ANY SUB-PARAGRAPH TO WHICH THE CANDIDATE CANNOT SUBSCRIBE. FULL DETAILS OF ANY CONVICTIONS OR ANY SUCH PROCEEDINGS MUST BE DISCLOSED TO HIS PROPOSER, SECONDER AND SECRETARY OF THE LODGE. THE CERTIFICATE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY CONFIRMING THAT THE MATTERS DISCLOSED DO NOT CONSTITUTE A BAR TO INITIATION MUST THEN BE OBTAINED BEFORE THE CANDIDATE MAY BE PROPOSED IN OPEN LODGE. IF AT ANY TIME BEFORE INITIATION THIS DECLARATION BECOMES UNTRUE OR MISLEADING, A FURTHER CERTIFICATE MUST BE OBTAINED.

‡ MEMBERSHIP OF A RECOGNISED REGISTERED FRIENDLY SOCIETY DOES NOT COME WITHIN THIS CATEGORY.

DATA PROTECTION CONSENT:

I, the undersigned, hereby consent to the processing of personal data and information supplied in relation to Question 5 above, by the Lodge, the District Grand Lodge, and the United Grand Lodge of England.

Note: Any such data and information supplied will not be divulged to any other organisation, Masonic or non-Masonic.

Signature _____

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20_____

**QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED BY THE PROPOSER AND SECONDER
OF A CANDIDATE FOR INITIATION**

	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
1. How long have you known the Candidate?		
2. To the best of your knowledge and belief, are his answers to question 5 on the Registration Form true?		
3. Do you meet him often?		
4. Where do you meet him?		
(a) In your home?		
(b) In his home?		
(c) At work?		
(d) Socially?		
(e) Elsewhere (give details)?		
5. Would you welcome him into your home?		
6. Do you vouch for him in every respect as a suitable and desirable person for admission to the Craft?		
7. (a) Would his home or business circumstances make it difficult for him to attend regularly at Lodge meetings?		
(b) Do you accept the responsibility of encouraging him to make his membership effective?		
8. Have you informed him of:		
(a) his financial obligations to the Lodge and		
(b) the calls that may be made on his time?		
9. What reason have you for thinking Freemasonry will interest him?		

Proposer _____

 Seconder _____

B Certificates of Proposer, Seconder, Master and Secretary (and of the Grand Secretary where applicable)

I, the Proposer, declare as follows:-
 The Candidate has been personally known to me for _____ years ____ months.
 To the best of my knowledge, information and belief the statements made by the Candidate on this application form are true and correct: he is a man of good reputation and well fitted to become a member of this Lodge.
 [For candidates for Initiation only] The answers given by me to the questions above are true.
 Dated this _____ day of _____ 20____
 Name of Proposer BLOCK LETTERS _____
 Signature _____
 Address _____

I, the Seconder, declare as follows:-
 The Candidate has been personally known to me for _____ years ____ months.
 To the best of my knowledge, information and belief the statements made by the Candidate on this application form are true and correct: he is a man of good reputation and well fitted to become a member of this Lodge.
 [For candidates for Initiation only] The answers given by me to the questions above are true.
 Dated this _____ day of _____ 20____
 Name of Seconder BLOCK LETTERS _____
 Signature _____
 Address _____

Certificate of Master

To be read in open Lodge immediately before the Ballot is taken

I have made due enquiry with regard to the character and qualifications of the above-named Candidate and certify that
 in } * my opinion
 * the opinion of a Committee of members of the Lodge
 he is a fit and proper person to be admitted as a member of this Lodge.

Signature _____ W.M., Lodge No. _____

* delete where applicable

Certificate of Grand Secretary

I certify that the matters disclosed in connection with this application for membership do not constitute a bar to initiation. The issue of this certificate is no more than confirmation that there is no overriding objection to the candidate being made a Mason and is not to be taken as an expression of opinion that the candidate ought to be elected.

[The following additional statement shall be made:

Signature _____ Grand Secretary

dated this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Certificate of Secretary

I certify that this application for membership, together with:

- a. the certificate from the Grand Secretary (if the Candidate has made a qualified declaration in A)
- b. any adverse report under Rule 158, Book of Constitutions

was read in open Lodge immediately before the Ballot was taken, and that the Candidate was

*initiated in

*became a joining member of

*became a re-joining member of

} this Lodge on _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Signature _____ Sec., Lodge No. _____

**Please delete where necessary*

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

For details of fees and V.A.T. please see letter of instruction

To be completed by the Lodge Secretary

Name of Secretary: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone No. (Home) _____

(Work) _____

e-mail address: _____

(BLOCK LETTERS)

ABROAD D.G.L.

Lodge Number: _____

Regn. Fee. £ :

Total
Remittance £ :

This space for the use of the Grand Secretary's office

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