

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROCESSING APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP OR AFFILIATION Code §33.02

1. A brother expresses interest in affiliating with your lodge.
2. Secretary provides the brother with an *Application for Membership or Affiliation* (Form 28-86).
2. The application is received at a stated meeting of the lodge and referred to an investigating committee.
 - If the brother is currently a member of an *Ohio* lodge, the Secretary prepares and sends a *Request for Certificate of Good Standing* (Form 84) to the brother's current lodge. If the brother is *not* currently a member of an Ohio lodge but *is* a member of a lodge under another jurisdiction, the Secretary prepares Form 84 and sends it to the Grand Secretary for transmission to the brother's grand lodge. *All out of state correspondence must go through the Grand Secretary's office.*
 - If the brother is not currently a member of any lodge, he should be asked to present his demit at this time in order to avoid delay.
3. After receipt of a *Certificate of Good Standing* (Form 84) and upon completion of the normal investigation procedure, the ballot may be taken.
4. When the ballot is found clear, the brother is provisionally elected to membership, pending receipt of a demit from his current lodge. If the brother is already in possession of a demit, skip to Step 7.
5. The Secretary prepares a *Notice of Provisional Election and Request for Demit* (Form 85), with the lower section completed and signed by the member. Form 85 is mailed to the Secretary of the brother's current Ohio lodge or, if applicable, to the Grand Secretary for transmission to the brother's grand lodge. *All out of state correspondence must go through the Grand Secretary's office.*
- 6.: **Ohio:** The Secretary of the brother's current Ohio lodge enters the demit transaction in MORI. The Grand Secretary's office will prepare the demit and mail it as instructed by the current lodge. (If there are no specific instructions, the demit will be sent to the current lodge's Secretary, who must then forward the demit to the requesting lodge).
- Non-Ohio:** The foreign grand lodge will issue a demit pursuant to its own rules and procedures. Upon receipt of the demit from the foreign grand lodge, the Grand Secretary's office will mail as instructed by the current lodge.
7. When the requesting lodge receives the demit, the affiliation is complete and the Secretary enters the transaction into MORI. **The affiliation date will be the same as the date shown on the demit, not the date of election, unless the brother was in possession of a demit prior to election.** Be sure to have the brother sign the demit in the space provided. *It is not necessary to return the stub at the bottom. This is for non-Ohio affiliations only.*



Application for Membership or Affiliation

Code §§16.01, 29.04, 33.02

(Demit required. Not an application for dual or plural membership.)

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF OHIO

The application of the subscriber respectfully showeth:—

That he holds a demit from
 is a member in good standing of

_____ Lodge No. _____, (Ancient,) Free & Accepted Masons
located at _____ under the jurisdiction of the Grand
Lodge of _____;

That he was initiated on _____, passed on _____,
and raised on _____ in _____
Lodge No. _____, (Ancient,) Free & Accepted Masons located at _____
under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of _____;
and that he is desirous of being admitted a member of your lodge, if found worthy, upon submission of a demit if
not submitted herewith.

He was born at _____ on _____.

His present residence is _____,
No. STREET CITY STATE ZIP

where he has lived since the _____ day of _____, _____. His occupation
is _____

and his place of employment or business is _____.

Telephone no. _____ Email address _____

Signed at _____ this _____ day of _____, _____.

RECOMMENDED BY

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE IN FULL
Abbreviations and initials are not sufficient ~ If no middle name, write "none"

BRO. _____

BRO. _____

PRINT NAME IN FULL: _____

FEES	REPORT	READING AND BALLOT
Fee \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Paid	* Favorable SIGNATURE _____	Date Read _____
COMMITTEE	* Favorable SIGNATURE _____	Date Rejected _____
BRO. _____	* Favorable SIGNATURE _____	Date Elected _____
BRO. _____	*If unfavorable, write "Un" before "Favorable"	MORI Update _____
BRO. _____		

INSTRUCTIONS

Member:— Submit with demit (if applying for membership).
Secretary:— Record change in MORI; retain original for the lodge's records.

This instrument will transfer the member's current membership from his previous lodge to the petitioned lodge.

NOTICE OF PROVISIONAL ELECTION AND REQUEST FOR DEMIT

Date: _____

To: _____, Secretary
_____, Lodge No. _____

Address

City, State ZIP

Brother Secretary,

Kindly be advised that Brother _____,
member no. _____, was provisionally elected to membership in _____
_____ Lodge No. _____, on _____.

His affiliation will become effective upon the date of issuance of a demit from your Lodge, which we kindly ask you to issue and mail to the undersigned at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Brother Secretary,

Please issue the above-requested demit to the Secretary of _____ Lodge
No. _____ at the address shown above.

Member's Signature

Address

City, State ZIP

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

Date: _____

To: _____, Secretary
 _____, Lodge No. _____

 Address

 City, State ZIP

Brother Secretary,

Kindly be advised that Brother _____,
 whose address is _____,
 has submitted an application for membership in or affiliation with _____
 _____ Lodge No. _____. Please provide us with the information requested
 below and return to me as soon as possible. Upon election to membership, we will request a demit from
 your lodge on the member's behalf.

 Secretary
 _____, Lodge No. _____
 Lodge Name and Number

 Address

 City, State ZIP

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

This is to certify that Brother _____, a member of
 _____ Lodge No. _____, is in good standing with dues paid to
 _____. There are no charges pending against him, and his masonic record is as
 shown below. This certificate is not a demit and is issued for informational purposes only.

Born: _____	UMC: _____	Lodge/Jur.: _____
EA: _____	REIN: _____	Lodge/Jur.: _____
FC: _____	EXP: _____	Lodge/Jur.: _____
MM: _____	REIN: _____	Lodge/Jur.: _____
NPD: _____	DEMIT: _____	Lodge/Jur.: _____
REIN: _____	AFFIL: _____	Lodge/Jur.: _____

_____, Secretary
 _____, Lodge No. _____

