

GRAND LODGE OF CONNECTICUT MENTOR AWARD

Dear Brother,

Thank you for volunteering to mentor a new Brother on his Masonic journey. We commend you for offering service to your lodge and this new Brother. We hope this experience will be rewarding, and from this experience you recommend that other Brothers get involved.

The benefits of mentoring go beyond just helping a new Brother learn his lectures. You will provide him further light in Masonry by explaining how lodges work, how Masonry supports its members and families in all stages of their lives, exposing him to the Brotherhood that exists in other lodges, and building the confidence he needs to be an involved member of his own lodge for many years.

You will assist, work, and travel side by side with a new Brother throughout this educational and teaching program, and assist him as he works on his Perfect Ashlar Award.

You can start as soon as the petitioner is elected to membership in your lodge and after he has been notified of his election as required by Grand Lodge Rules & Regulations. You should make contact with the candidate, meet with him and introduce yourself as his mentor, invite him and his family to any public events that may occur before he takes his Entered Apprentice degree, introduce him and his family to the other members and their families, and encourage any other involvement that will enhance his experiences in Masonry and your lodge. It is through these first impressions that we are able to make the best Masons possible.

The following **three** tasks are required along with any **ten** of the optional tasks listed further below. It is encouraged that the Landmarks and Ancient Charges be gone over as soon as possible after taking his Entered Apprentice Degree. Please remember that you are to travel with and oversee the activities of our new Brother and try to ensure that his first experiences in Masonry are enjoyable.

Mandatory

1. Review the obligation of each degree
2. Review the Connecticut Landmarks
3. Review the Ancient Charges

Optional

1. With the new Brother attend each of the blue lodge degrees at least once after the new Brother has taken his own degrees.
2. With the new Brother visit two lodges outside of your local area at least once. (15 or more miles away from home lodge)
3. With the new Brother attend at least seven stated lodge communications of other Lodges in the district over the course of the one year.
4. Explain how to prepare new candidates and assist the new Brother at least once as he performs this duty.
5. Explain how a lodge room is set up and assist the new Brother at least once as he helps the officers set out the regalia and furnishings of the lodge room.
6. Attend one meeting of the Building/Temple Association with the new Brother.
7. Attend one Communication of Grand Lodge with the new Brother.
8. Attend two Blue Lodge Council meetings with the new Brother.
9. Attend a St. Johns' Day Service with the new Brother.
10. Visit an elderly brother or tour any Masonicare facility with the new Brother.
11. Attend a Masonic Funeral Service with the new Brother.
12. March in a parade with a lodge with the new Brother.
13. Give a 1st section (Stewards') lecture in open lodge with the new Brother.
14. Attend one Grand Lodge Seminar with the new Brother.
15. Attend any Table Lodge or Ladies at Table with the new Brother.
16. Visit a Mason's widow with the new Brother.

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Mentor's Full Name _____

Mentor's Mother Lodge _____

Required

1. Review the obligation of each degree

Entered Apprentice Date _____
Fellowcraft Date _____
Master Mason Date _____

2. Review of the Connecticut Landmarks – Date _____

3. Review of the Ancient Charges – Date _____

Optional

1. Attend degrees (Dates) – EA _____ FC _____ MM _____

2. Visit two lodges outside local area -

Lodge Name & Number _____ Date: _____

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3. Attend seven stated lodge communications

Lodge & Date: _____ Lodge & Date: _____

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Lodge & Date: _____

4. Assist in preparation of candidates. Date: _____ Degree: _____

5. Assist in setting up the lodge room. Date: _____

6. Attend a meeting of the Building/Temple Association. Date: _____

7. Attend one Communication of Grand Lodge. Date: _____

8. Attend two Blue Lodge Council meetings. Date: _____ Date: _____

9. Attend a St. John's Day Service. Date: _____ Location: _____

10. Visit an elderly Brother or tour a Masonicare facility. Date: _____

11. Attend a Masonic Funeral Service. Date: _____

12. March in a parade with a lodge. Date: _____ Occasion: _____

13. Give a 1st section lecture in open lodge. Date: _____ Degree: _____

14. Attend one Grand Lodge Seminar. Date: _____ Seminar: _____

15. Attend any Table Lodge or Ladies at Table. Date: _____ Lodge: _____

16. Visit with a Masonic Widow. Date: _____

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