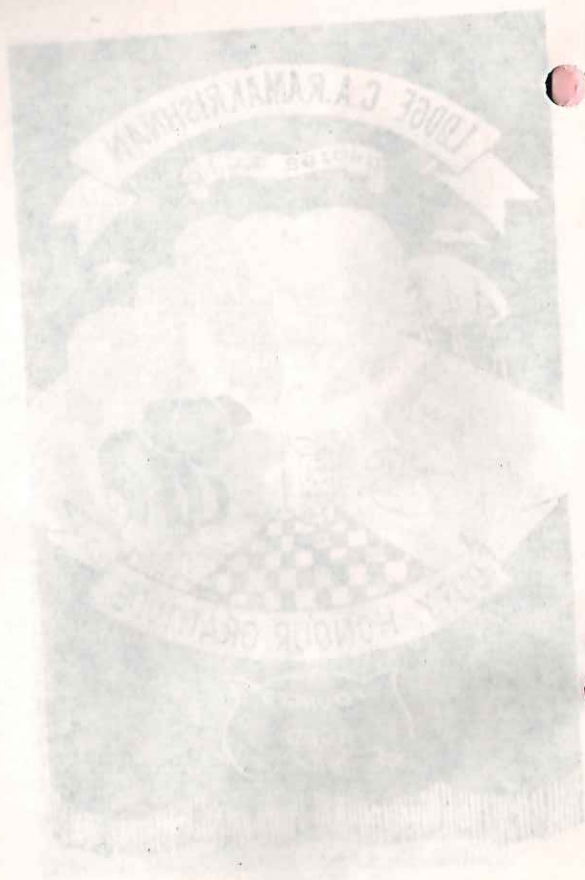


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MEETINGS

The regular meetings of the Lodge will be held on the penultimate date of January, February, March, April, July, August, September, October and November.

When the Regular Meeting falls on a Sunday it shall be held on the previous or next day to that date.

The Election for the year will take place in the month of November and the Installation meeting will be in January.

The Master or the Treasurer shall be elected by ballot at the Regular Meeting in November and shall be Installed and invested respectively at the next Regular Installation Meeting in January.

The Tyler, if a Serving Brother, shall be elected by show of hands at the Regular Meeting in November.

MEMBERSHIP

Two black balls shall exclude the candidate for joining or initiation. All candidates for joining or initiation shall be interviewed by the Permanent Committee and they will come up for balloting on the recommendation of the Permanent Committee.

FEES

The following shall be the fees payable:

Fees for Initiation Rs.2000.00

Joining Fee Rs.2000.00

RESIDENT MEMBERS

The subscription per year for the Resident Members shall be Rs.1000/- per annum.

NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS

Members who are not ordinarily residents in the City of Madras, i.e. within 25 kms. of Fort. St. George, shall be placed in the Non-Resident List of the Lodge at their request. The subscription payable by the Non-Resident Members shall be Rs.500/- per annum.

STEWARDS' FUND

A Stewards' Fund shall be constituted. A sum of Rs.25/- per Resident Member in good standing shall be transferred annually, from the Lodge Account to the Stewards' Fund. Out of the amount so due, and transferred to the Stewards' Fund, 80% shall be paid to the Master-Elect to defray part of the banquet expenses on the Installation night.

PERMENENT COMMITTEE

The Master I.P.M. Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary, all Past Masters and two Members elected at the Installation Meeting shall constitute the Committee.

The Committee shall make all arrangements for the Meeting, consider all matter connected with the welfare of the Lodge, interview candidates and recommend to the Lodge.

Three members shall form a quorum.

The Committee shall meet at least once before each meeting.

AUDITOR

The Audit Committee comprising of not less than two members of the Lodge, shall be elected at the Installation Meeting in January. The Committee shall audit the accounts for the year ending on 31st December.

FUNDS

All the funds of the Lodge shall be deposited in an authorised bank as resolved by the Lodge and shall be operated upon by the Worshipful Master and Treasurer.

All expenses other than routine expenses shall be sanctioned by the Lodge.

ARREARS OF SUBSCRIPTION

Any member leaving his subscription in arrears for over two quarters shall be liable for Exclusion under Rule 156 of the Book of Constitutions. Such members shall not also vote, take part in any ballot, or be qualified for election or appointment to any Office.

ALTERATION OF BYE-LAWS

No alteration in, or addition to, these By-laws shall be made except by motion carried at a Regular Meeting of the Lodge after due notice given to the Secretary and inserted in summons for the meeting at which it is intended to be made and confirmed at the next Regular Meeting, and approved by the R.W. Regional Grand Master and the M.W. Grand Master.

Approved in open Lodge.

(sd.) M.M.A.NAVAS,

W.Master.

(sd.) C.S. VIDYASANKARAN,

Senior Warden.

(sd.) K.NARAYANAN,

Junior Warden

(sd.) : M.K.SRIDHARAN,

For C.D.NATARAJAN,

Secretary.

Approved

(sd.) K.VEERASWAMI, P.A.G.M.,

Regional Grand Master

Approved by M.W. The Grand Master.

(sd.) P.M. SUNDARAM,

Grand Secretary

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Amendments

- 1970 Meeting Day amended to 3rd Thursday, instead of 3rd Wednesday, of January, February, March, July, August, September, October, and November.
- 1971 Meetings amended to include April as an additional month for holding meetings.
- 1972 Meetings amended as - Penultimate day of the month January, February, March, April, July, August, September, October, November.
- 1974 Permanent Committee - to include all Past Masters.
- 1975 Meetings - Regular Meetings fall on Sundays, to hold the same on the previous or next day.
- 1976 Non Resident Members clause introduced and fees amended.
- 1983 Stewards Fund clause introduced.
- 1995 Fees amended.
- 1996 Fees amended.
- 1999 Fees amended.