



Regional Grand Mark Lodge of Southern India

Freemasons' Hall, 14 Ethiraj Salai, Chennai - 600008

RAM.43/2018

29 September 2018

To
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Scribe, RAM Lodge Srinivasa No.43
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*Amendment to
by law (RAM)
file*

Dear Sir and Brother,

SUB:AMENDMENT TO BYE-LAWS OF RAM LODGE SRINIVASA NO.43

Please find enclosed a copy of the amendment to bye-law Nos. 2,3 4, 5, 6 , 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, & 15 of **RAM LODGE SRINIVASA NO.43, Trichy** duly approved by R. W. The Regional Grand Mark Master(18-9-2018) and M.W.The Grand Master.(27-09-2018).

The Amendment will be effective from the date of approval by M.W.The Grand Master.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

N. Pandurangan
(N.PANDURANGAN)
Regional Grand Secretary.

Encl:Amendment to Bye-law No. 2,3 4, 5, 6 , 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, & 15

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REGIONAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF SOUTHERN INDIA

Mark / RAM Lodge: **Srinivasa** No: **43** Place:

Tiruchirapalli

PROPOSED AMENDANTS TO / REVISED BY LAWS

(To be submitted in Triplicate)

Existing By Laws	Proposed By Laws
<p><u>2. Meetings:</u> The regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held at the Masonic temple, Tiruchirappalli on the third Fridays in the months of February (Installation), April, August & November (Election) and at such time as the Worshipful Commander Noah may fix from time to time.</p> <p>A notice of seven clear days shall be given of all meetings, regular and emergency. An emergency meeting of the lodge may at any time be called by the authority of the Worshipful Commander Noah, and the business transacted there at, shall not include any business whatsoever, except such as mentioned on the summons convening the meeting, nor shall the minutes of the previous meeting be read or confirmed.</p>	<p><u>2. Meetings:</u> The regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held at the Masonic temple, Tiruchirappalli on the third Sunday in the months of February, May, August (Election) & November (Installation) and at such time as the Worshipful Commander Noah may fix from time to time.</p> <p>The Summons convening the Regular Meeting shall be issued atleast seven days in advance by email and to those without email, by ordinary post. Emergency meetings, however, may be convened at shorter notice. An emergency meeting of the Lodge may at any time be called by the authority of the Worshipful Commander Noah, and the business transacted there at, shall not include any business whatsoever, except such as mentioned on the summons convening the meeting, nor shall the minutes of the previous meeting be read or confirmed.</p>
<p><u>3. Election of Officers:</u> The regular meeting in the month of November shall be the election meeting of the Lodge. The Master shall be elected annually at the election meeting in the month of November shall be installed at the regular meeting in the month of February. The election of the Master shall be by ballot. The Treasurer shall also be elected by ballot on the same Election Day as that of the Master and will be invested at Installation meeting in the month of February. The Warder shall be chosen by show of hands. The Warder can be chosen from among the members of the lodge or from other R.A.M Lodge under the provisions contained in Rule 85 of the Constitutions of Grand Mark Lodge of India</p>	<p><u>3. Election of officers:</u> The regular meeting in the month of August shall be the election meeting of the Lodge. The WCN shall be elected annually at the election meeting and he shall be installed at the regular meeting in the month of November. The election of the WCN shall be by ballot under Rule 68 of the Book of Constitutions of Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India.</p> <p>The Treasurer shall be elected by ballot on the regular day of the election of the WCN and will be invested at Installation meeting in the month of November under Rule 69 of the Book of Constitutions of Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India.</p> <p>The Warder can be chosen from among the members of the Lodge or from other RAM Lodge under the provisions contained in Rule 85 of the Book of Constitutions of Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India. The Warder shall be elected on the regular day of election of the WCN and will be invested at Installation meeting in the month of November under Rule 84 of the Book of Constitutions of Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India.</p>
<p><u>4. Proposing Candidates:</u> Every proposal of a candidate for Elevation or for joining must be made by a member and seconded by another member, both of whom must be subscribing members of the Lodge or Honorary members who are Past Masters of the Lodge, either in open lodge</p>	<p><u>4. Proposing Candidates:</u> Every proposal of a candidate for Elevation, Joining and Re- Joining must be made by one and seconded by another both of whom must be subscribing members of the Lodge or Honorary Members who are Past Worshipful Commander Noah of the Lodge, either in open Lodge at a Regular meeting or in writing to the scribe at least 14 days prior to the next Regular meeting</p>

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<p>at a regular meeting or by writing to the Master or Secretary at least 14 days prior to the next regular meeting.</p> <p>A brother shall not be accepted as a candidate for joining or rejoining unless he has been proposed and seconded in the open Lodge or a notice that he has been proposed and seconded has been read-out in open Lodge at a meeting prior to that he comes up for election.</p>	<p>A Brother shall not be accepted as a candidate for joining or rejoining unless he has been proposed and seconded in open Lodge or a notice that he has been proposed and seconded has been read-out in open Lodge at a meeting prior to that he comes up for election</p> <p>Candidates for Elevation and candidates for joining from other Constitutions shall, before the ballot is taken, sign the declaration as provided in Rule 100 of the Book of Constitutions of Grand Mark Lodge of India. If on ballot, unless a simple majority of the members who voted in the lodge approve the candidate for Elevation, joining or rejoining, he shall not be admitted. In the case of unfavourable ballot, the fee paid shall be refunded.</p>
<p><u>5. Fees :</u></p> <p>The fee payable to the Lodge shall be as follows:-</p> <p>Fee for Elevation Rs. 500/-</p> <p>Fee for Joining Rs. 500/-</p> <p>Fee for joining (Other Constitution) Rs. 500/-</p> <p>Fee for rejoining Rs. 500/-</p>	<p><u>5. Fees :</u></p> <p>The fee payable to the Lodge shall be as follows:-</p> <p>Fee for Elevation Rs. 900 -00</p> <p>Fee for Joining Rs. 900-00</p> <p>Fee for joining (Other Constitution) Rs. 900/-</p> <p>Fee for rejoining Rs. 900/-</p>
<p><u>6. Subscriptions :</u></p> <p>Every member shall pay an annual membership of Rs. 200/- and a steward subscription of Rs.100/- along with the actual GLI and RGL dues payable. The subscription shall be paid before March every year. Otherwise it will be treated as arrears.</p> <p>Further any change required in item No. 4 & 5 of this By-law may be effected after due recommendation by the Permanent Committee and the same is included in the Agenda of the next regular meeting. Then a suitable resolution for amendment of by-law be moved in that regular meeting of the Lodge, be passed, approved and confirmed. It should be further approved by RW the Regional Grand Mark Master and MW the Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India for implementing the change.</p>	<p><u>6. Subscriptions :</u></p> <p>Every member shall pay in advance an annual membership of Rs. 300/- .</p> <p>The services of the Scribe and Warder (if a subscribing member) will be equivalent to their appropriate subscription to the Lodge, but the Lodge shall remit to the Grand Lodge and to the Regional Grand Lodge the requisite payments due in respect of their membership of the Lodge.</p>
<p><u>7. Correspondence :</u></p> <p>All letters from the members of the Lodge shall be addressed to the Secretary.</p>	<p><u>7. Concept of Mutuality :</u></p> <p>All activities of the Lodge at all times be for the common benefit of all the members and for the public at large without any distinction as to Cast, Creed or Religion. No part shall be a business activity for the individual or collective benefit of any or all the members.</p>
<p><u>8. Secretary :</u></p> <p>The Secretary shall conduct the general correspondence, issue summons for all meetings, record</p>	<p><u>8. Secretary :</u></p> <p>The Scribe shall be in charge of the Lodge records and books other than the account books maintained</p>

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<p>minutes of the proceedings, keep the registers and records and the Lodge seal and maintain an inventory of all furniture and property of the Lodge. He shall not keep any money with him except for postage.</p>	<p>by the Treasurer. He shall conduct all general business and correspondence of the Lodge. He shall be ex-officio member and convener of all committees appointed by the Lodge. He shall keep a record of the minutes of the proceedings, maintain a register of members as required by the Book of Constitutions and be responsible for the necessary return etc., to Grand Lodge and Regional Grand Lodge under the signature of the WCN and of himself wherever is required. All letters from the members shall be addressed to him in office and with personal address so that it will be evident that they are for the Scribe only.</p>
<p><u>9. Permanent Committee :</u> There shall be a Permanent Committee composed of the Ruling Master, I.P.M., Wardens, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Ceremonies and two elected members of the lodge. The duty of the Permanent Committee shall be to consider the proposal for advancement and joining check the accounts of the Lodge and present annually a report on the working of the lodge and to consider such other matters the lodge may refer to the Committee</p>	<p><u>9. Permanent Committee :</u> There shall be a Permanent Committee and the Permanent Committee shall consist of the WCN, IPCN, Wardens, Treasurer, Scribe and all the Past WCN of RAM Lodge Srinivasa No. 43 and in addition to them two members of the Lodge shall be elected every year at the Installation meeting. The duty of the Permanent Committee shall be to consider the proposal for advancement, joining and re-joining, check the accounts of the Lodge and present annually a report on the working of the Lodge and to consider such other matters the Lodge may refer to the Committee. It shall meet before every regular meeting or at any time the WCN may call for.</p>
<p><u>10. Accounts :</u> The Treasurer with the assistance of the Scribe shall receive all moneys and settle all accounts of the lodge. The annual statement of accounts and balance sheet every year shall be drawn up and after the scrutiny and approval of the Audit Committee the same shall be presented at the next Installation meeting in the month of February. All the moneys of the lodge shall be deposited in a nationalized / scheduled bank in the name of the lodge. The bank accounts shall be operated upon by the Treasurer jointly with Scribe or Worshipful Commander Noah</p>	<p><u>10 . Accounts:</u> The Treasurer with the assistance of the Scribe shall receive all moneys and settle all accounts of the Lodge. The annual statement of accounts and balance sheet every year shall be drawn up and after the scrutiny and approval of the Audit Committee the same shall be presented at the next Installation meeting in the month of November. All the moneys of the Lodge shall be deposited in a nationalized / scheduled bank in the name of the Lodge. The bank accounts shall be operated upon by the Treasurer jointly with either the Scribe or the Worshipful Commander Noah.</p>
<p><u>12.Audit Committee:</u> The Audit committee shall consist of two members appointed in the Election meeting every year who will audit the accounts of the lodge for the year and thereafter.</p>	<p><u>12.Audit Committee:</u> A committee of two shall be appointed by the WCN at the Election Meeting for auditing the accounts of the year. The audited statement shall form part of the Annual Report of the Permanent Committee.</p>
<p><u>15.Bye- Laws:</u> The By-laws of the Lodge shall be read once in a year in open lodge in the Election meeting. Every member on his advancement or joining shall be presented with a copy of the By-laws. No alterations or additions to these By-laws shall be made unless the same is duly proposed and seconded at a regular meeting and included in the agenda for the next regular at which the amendment or alterations</p>	<p><u>15.Bye- Laws:</u> The By-laws of the Lodge shall be read once in a year in open Lodge in the Election meeting. Every member on his advancement or joining shall be presented with a copy of the By-laws. No alterations or additions to these By-laws shall be made unless the same is duly proposed and seconded at a regular meeting and included in the agenda for the next regular meeting at which the</p>

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The above amendments were regularly Proposed and Seconded in open Lodge at a regular Meeting held on 28/01/2018 Passed at a regular Meeting held on 22/04/2018 and confirmed at a regular Meeting held on 26/08/2018

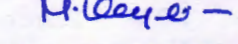
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W. Master/WCN

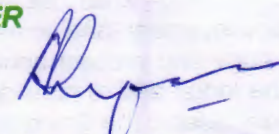

Senior Warden


Junior Warden


Secretary/Scribe

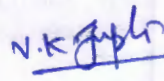
APPROVED By RW, THE REGIONAL GRAND MASTER

Place: Chennai-8
Date: 18-9-2018
Master


Regional Grand Mark Master

APPROVED By MW, THE GRAND MASTER

New Delhi
Date: 27.09.2018


Grand Secretary

