

## MARK LODGE SREENIVASAGOPALA No.31

Proposed Amendments to Bye-laws

<u>Existing Rule*</u>	<u>Proposed Amendment</u>
<p>5) The following shall be the fees and subscription payable in advance :</p> <p>(a) Advancement Rs. 100</p> <p>(b) Joining from a Lodge under G.M. I. Rs. 90</p> <p>(c) Joining from a Lodge under recognized Constitution Rs. 90</p> <p>(d) Re-joining Rs. 90</p> <p>(e) Subscription payable Annually :</p> <p>i) Resident Members Rs. 100</p> <p>ii) Non-Resident Members Rs. 60</p>	<p>5) The following shall be the fees and subscription payable in advance :</p> <p>a) Advancement Rs. 1,000/-</p> <p>b) Joining from a Lodge under G.M.L.I. Rs. 1,000/-</p> <p>c) Joining from a Lodge under recognized Constitution Rs. 1,000/-</p> <p>d) Re-joining Rs. 1,000/-</p> <p>e) Subscription payable Annually :</p> <p>i) Resident Members Rs. 500/-</p> <p>ii) Non-Resident Members Rs. 200/-</p>
<p>7) Fees payable under By-law 5(a) (b) (c) and (d), and subscription under (e) will be credited to the General Fund, and the subscription under (e) (i) &amp; (ii) will be allocated as under :-</p> <p>i) General Fund (Both Residents &amp; Non-Residents) Rs. 55/-</p> <p>ii) Stewards Fund (Residents only) Rs. 40/-</p> <p>iii) Charity Fund (Both Residents &amp; Non-Residents) Rs. 5/-</p>	<p>7) Fees payable under Bye-law 5(a) (b) (c) and (d), and subscription under (e) will be credited to the General Fund, and the subscription under (e) (i) &amp; (ii) will be allocated as under :-</p> <p>i) General Fund (Both Residents &amp; Non-Residents) Rs. 175/-</p> <p>ii) Stewards Fund (Resident Members only) Rs. 300/-</p> <p>iii) Charity Fund (Both Residents &amp; Non-Residents) Rs. 25/-</p>

\* as amended upto 30-05-1989.

Notes :

- At first glance it may appear that the above proposals entail an increase of 100% over the existing rates. This is not so, as we have been collecting a sum of Rs.500/- for items 5(a)(b)(c) and (d) for the last five years. The proposed increase is to defray the cost of aprons, breast jewels, etc. for those joining/re-joining/advanced.
- The increase against Rule 7(i) is to offset the increase in the annual fees payable to GMLI and RGML, and the Increased cost of stationery, printing and postage as Summons of Installation Meetings, etc. have now to be sent to all Active Officers of the GMLI and the RGML also.
- In effect there is no increase at all against Rule 7(ii) as all are paying, on an average, Rs.100/- for the Contributory dinners at all regular meetings, except the Installation Night. Therefore, the increase of Rs.300/- per member shown above is only adding to the annual subscription what the members are already contributing towards dinner charges for 3 meetings per annum.

Amendments were approved in the lodge on 30/07/2005

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BYE-LAWS  
OF  
Mark Lodge  
"Srinivasagopala"  
No.: 31  
SECUNDERABAD

(As Amended upto 30-05-1989)

Further Amended on 30-07-2005

Amendments approved are attached

HPCP-200-15-7-1989

**BYE-LAWS**  
**OF**  
**MARK LODGE**  
**"SRINIVASAGOPALA"**

*No. 31*  
**SECUNDERABAD**

**Regular Meetings :**

1. The Regular Meetings of the Lodge shall be held at St. John's Hall, Secunderabad, on the last Saturdays in January, April, July and October; at such hours as may be appointed by the Worshipful Master.

**Emergency Meetings :**

2. A Lodge of Emergency may be convened by the Wor. Master when he deems it necessary and desirable. Should a Lodge of Emergency be summoned for the express purpose of advancing a brother or brethren at his or their request and each brother so advanced shall pay an additional fee of Rs. 25/- unless it is decided otherwise by the Lodge.



### Election and Installation Meetings :

3. The Wor. Master and Treasurer shall be elected by Ballot and the Tyler by show of hands at the Regular Meeting in July and the Master-elect installed at the Regular Meeting in October and shall then appoint and invest his Officers for the year.

### Membership :

4 The Lodge shall consist of Resident, Non-Resident and Honorary Members.

- (a) Resident Members shall be members who reside within a radius of 20 Kilometers of St. John's Hall, Secunderabad.
- (b) Non Resident Members shall be members who reside outside the limit prescribed in (a) above and have notified in open Lodge or in writing to the Secretary their desire to be placed on the list of Non-Resident Members.

- (c) Honorary Members shall be elected in accordance with Rule 103 of the Book of Constitutions 1964 Edition.

5. The following shall be the fees and subscriptions payable in advance :

	Rs.
(a) Advancement	100/-
(b) Joining from a Lodge under G.M.I.	90/-
(c) Joining from a Lodge under recognised Consitution	90/-
(d) Re-joining	90/-
(e) Subscription payable Annually : (in advance)	
(i) Resident Members	100/-
(ii) Non-Resident Members	60/-

6. The Secretary shall be exempt from the Annual Subscription, if he so desires.

7. Fees payable under By-Law 5 (a) (b) (c) and (d) and subscription under (e) will be credited to the General Fund and the subscription under (e) (i) & (ii) will be allocated as under :

- (i) General Fund  
(Both Residents & Non-Residents) 55/-
- (ii) Steward Fund  
(Residents only) 40/-
- (iii) Charity Fund  
(Both Residents & Non-Residents) 5/-

8. A member whose subscription is in arrears for a period of one year shall not be eligible for election or appointment to any Office or entitled to be present at the Banquet.

9. Any Member whose subscription shall be in arrears for more than one year shall be liable to be excluded under Rule 109 of the Book of Constitutions-1964 Edition.

#### **Permanent Committee :**

10. The Permanent Committee shall consist of the Wor. Master, the Wardens,

Treasurer, Secretary, Subscribing Past-Masters of the Lodge, and two members elected by the Lodge at its Installation meeting in October every year.

Three members shall form a quorum.

The Permanent Committee shall meet at such time and place as the Wor. Master shall direct.

#### **Candidates :**

11. Candidates for Advancement and Joining shall be governed by Rules 98 99 and 100 of the Book of Constitutions 1964 Edition. Two black balls shall disqualify a candidate for advancement or Joining. Such a candidate may again be proposed only after the expiry of one year.

#### **Treasurer :**

- 12 (a) The Treasurer shall collect all Fees and Subscription and deposit all moneys in a local Bank in the name of the Lodge and the account shall be operated jointly by the Treasurer and Wor. Master or Secretary.

(b) The Treasurer shall maintain proper accounts and submit Annual accounts for audit to the audit committee within three months of the annual closing of accounts in January every year.

(c) The audit committee shall consist of two members who shall be elected at the Installation Meeting in October every year.

#### **Lodge Property :**

13. The inventory of the Lodge property, both movable and immovable shall be maintained by the Secretary.

#### **Amendment to By-Laws :**

14. The By-Laws shall be altered only as follows :

(a) Notice of motion of the alteration be given at Regular Meeting.

(b) The alteration be proposed and seconded at the next Regular Meeting and carried by two thirds majority of those present and voting

(c) The approval of the Regional Grand Master and Most Wor. the Grand Master be then obtained (Rule 87 B of C 1964 edition).

Adopted at the Consecration meeting held on 14-2-1966 at Freemason's Hall, Madras.

W. Bro. Dundoo Balakrishna Murti,  
*Wor. Master*

W. Bro. Lt. Col. George E. Cox, (Retd.)  
*Secretary*

Bro. M Rajagopalan,  
*Senior Warden*

W. Bro. E. P. B. Manian,  
*For Junior Warden.*



Approved by the Rt. Wor. Regional  
Grand Mark Master on 15th. March, 1966.

R. W. Bro. S. T. Srinivasagopalachari,  
*Regional Grand Mark Master.*

Approved by the M.W. Grand Mark Master

New Delhi. R.W. Bro. P. M. Sundaram,  
16-3-1966. *Grand Secretary*

Bye Laws amended by the Lodge upto  
30-5-1989 and approved by R. W. R. G.  
M. M. of S.I. on 10-6-89 and M.W. The  
Grand Mark Master on 18-6-89 are incor-  
porated.



## PAST MASTERS

W. Bro. Dundoo Balakrishna Murti	Founder Master	1966
R W. Bro. M Rajagopalan	Founder	1967
W. Bro. B. A. Krishnan	Founder	1968
W. Bro. A. K. K. Tareen	Founder	1969
W. Bro M, A. Khambatta		1970
W. Bro. A. K. V. Madhavan		1971
W. Bro. T. Adisesh Iyer		1972
W. Bro. Col. M. G Saincher		1973
W. Bro. Col. M G Saincher		1974
W. Bro. J. M. Paul		1975
W. Bro. B. Ramadurai Manian		1976
V.W. Bro. D. Satyanarayana		1977
W. Bro. K. L. Reddi		1978
W. Bro. P. Ashok Kumar		1979
W. Bro. Major Kartar Singh		1980
W. Bro P. N. Prabhakar		1981
W. Bro. Brig. J. M. Rao		1982
W. Bro. P. T. K. Menon		1983
W. Bro. Dr. B. P. Rao		1984
W. Bro. P. N. Sham Mohan		1985
W. Bro. K. Krishna Reddi		1986
W. Bro. P. Shantiprakash		1987
W. Bro. V. Sukumar		1988
W. Bro. G. V. Chalapathi Rao		1989