



LODGE EXCELLENCE AWARD Recognition Application

The Lodge Excellence Award, established in 1977 as the Grand Master's Achievement Award to aid lodges in planning a vibrant and successful slate of activities, will continue to recognize Lodges who earn outstanding achievement in meeting threshold levels of activity.

A point system has been established to record your lodge's activities in three sections, Lodge Education & Growth, Lodge Programs & Activities, and Community Service by the Lodge. Lodges achieving threshold scores will be recognized for their accomplishments.

We encourage you to plan your year with the programs suggested in this application, and at the end of your year, to complete this application to receive your earned recognition, documenting your qualified activities from January 1 to December 31.

This completed application must be turned in to your District Deputy no later than Feb. 15. District Deputies may be found in the Wisconsin Masonic Journal, www.wisc-freemasonry.org, or by calling Grand Lodge at 1-262-965-2200.

Calendar Year – Jan.-Dec. 20 ____

(Applying Lodge Name & Number)

(Worshipful Master name- please print) (Date)

(Lodge District & Area)

(District Deputy signature) (Date)

Section I
Required Activities

Points awarded in this section are for Lodge activities that contribute to furthering Masonic growth and knowledge. Zero points in any required section disqualifies lodge.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION (Required)

Points: WM (5) SW (4) JW (3) Proxy (2)

WM SW JW Proxy(s) Total

DISTRICT MEETINGS (Required)

Points: Lodge Officer (10) Other (3)

District Meetings do not qualify as visitations.

Dist. Mtg: Officers Others Total

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SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION (Required)

Points: WM, SW, JW (3) SD, JD (5) SS, JS (7) Others (1)

An individual may attend any number of Schools. Schools of Instruction do not quality as visitations.

WM SW JW SD
JD SS JS Others Total

DEGREES CONFERRED (Required)

Points: Degrees Exemplified on District Officer: MM (1), FC (1), EA (1)

Points: Degrees Conferred: MM (15), FC (10), EA (5)

EA Degree: No. EA's conferred Total

EA Degree: No. members initiated Total

FC Degree: No. FC's conferred Total

FC Degree: No. members passed Total

MM Degree: No. MM's conferred Total

MM Degree: No. members raised Total

ANNUAL REPORTS (Required – due to DD and Grand Sec. by Feb. 15 & March 1st.)

Points: Per report submitted on time (1)

Recapitulation & Per-Capita submitted by March 1

Annual Financial Report submitted by Feb. 15

Annual Lodge Budget submitted by Feb. 15

TOTAL POINTS – SECTION I

Section II
Lodge Education & Growth

Points awarded in this section are for Lodge activities that contribute to fellowship and brotherly love.

(Section II minimum points required to qualify= 60).

TRESTLEBOARD & APPROVED SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEB SITES

Points: 6 issues or more (7) 5 issues or fewer (3)

Trestleboard: No. issues published Total

FRIENDS PROGRAM

Points: Per activity (5) Per prospect attending (5)

Friends Program: No. programs held Total

Prospects Attended: Total prospects Total

LODGE VISITATIONS

Points: Per member, per visitation (3). If Degree held (9)

To qualify as a lodge visitation, 3 members, at least one being a current lodge officer, must attend another lodge's stated meeting.

Visits: No. of member-visits Total

Visits: No. of member-visits w/deg Total

TRAVELING GAVEL

Points: Capturing or Delivering (10)

A minimum of 3 members must travel to Capture or Deliver the gavel, and it qualifies as a visitation, above. The gavel may not return to the lodge last possessing it. Double the points if delivered within 30 days of capture.

Capture Gavel: No. captures Total

Deliver Gavel: No. deliveries Total

RECOGNITION EVENTS

Points: Per recognition event (5)

Past-Master's Night Total

Widow's or Ladies Night Total

Youth Recognition Total

Mason of the Year Total

25 and 50-year Member recognition Total

Other (attach) Total

EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES

Points: Per activity (5) If non-Masons included (10)
(e.g. Picnic, Golf Outing, Card Party, Tailgate, Fair Booth, etc.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Activity _____	Total	<input type="text"/>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Activity _____	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (attach) _____	Total	<input type="text"/>

LODGE OFFICER TRAINING

Points: Any Lodge Officer (5)

<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Training	No. attending	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations	No. attending	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> MECC Course	No. attending	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> William's Lodge	No. attending	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> MCCC Course	No. attending	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY

Points awarded: Per occurrence (3)

<input type="checkbox"/> Wisconsin Program	No. presentations	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Short Talk Bulletin	No. presentations	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 3-Minute Mason	No. presentations	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Speaker	No. presentations	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (attach)	No. presentations	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>

PROFICIENCY / RITUALISTS

Points: Proficiency new (50), Proficiency renewed (10)
Ritualist new (25), Ritualist renewed (5)

<input type="checkbox"/> Proficiency - New	No. attaining:	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Proficiency - Renew	No. attaining:	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Ritualist - New	No. attaining:	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Ritualist - Renew	No. attaining:	<input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>

GRAND LODGE SECRETARY TRAINING SEMINAR

100 points per person attending both days

<input type="checkbox"/> Number Attending	Total	<input type="text"/>
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TOTAL POINTS – SECTION II

**Section III
Community Activities**

Points awarded in this section are for Lodge activities that contribute to the well being of the community and increase the visibility of Masonry in the community.

(Section III minimum points required to qualify= 20).

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Points: Per contribution (3)

<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarships	No.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>

PUBLIC RELATIONS / NEWS HAWK

Points: Public media (20) Masonic Journal (5)

<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper	No. articles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> TV News	No. broadcasts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Masonic Journal	No. articles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>

SERVICE TO OTHERS

Points: 15 per program – (Not per member)

(e.g. Children’s Hospital, V.A. Hospital, Nursing Home, School, etc)

Number	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
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PERSONAL VISITATIONS

Points: Per member per visitation (1). Max. - 12 points per member.

(e.g. Shut-ins, Hospitalized, Health Center, Widows, etc.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Member _____	No. visits	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Member _____	No. visits	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (attach)		<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	<input type="checkbox"/>

TOTAL POINTS – SECTION III

POINT TOTALS

TOTAL POINTS – SECTION I

TOTAL POINTS – SECTION II

TOTAL POINTS – SECTION III

TOTAL POINTS – ALL

Recognition at Annual Communication:

Gold Award 800 + Points

Silver Award 400 – 799 Points

Bronze Award 100 – 399 Points