



GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA



General Order No. 7 Fodrea

February 18, 2021

Order of the Temple

Effective February 18th, 2021, Grand and Constituent Commanderies in this jurisdiction may open in Phase Two*, as defined by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Reopening Templary 2021 Phased Opening Criteria. This document was provided to Eminent Commanders and Recorders of Constituent Commanderies on November 6, 2020, via electronic mail.

***Note:** Phase Two with these applications for Indiana Commanderies:

Stated and Special Conclaves:

- In-person conclaves may continue, provided they are permitted by state and local authority and conducted utilizing strict, social-distancing and Personal Protective Equipment protocols. (i.e., six feet physical separation, face coverings worn by every Sir Knight in the building and hand sanitizer or washing of hands with soap and water utilized by every Sir Knight in the building.

You must follow the Governor of the State of Indiana most current Executive Order.

- Virtual conclaves by means of conference call and/or video conferencing (Zoom, etc.) shall continue.
- Hybrid conclaves, with audio and video emanating from a tiled Asylum while others view virtually, are also permitted. All virtual conclave policies apply. No ritual may be displayed during a Hybrid conclave.

Ladies programs are permitted and encouraged.

Meals are permitted along as Guidelines set forth by the Governor of the State of Indiana are followed.

Ritual Work:

Traditional Orders may resume if the guidelines set for by the Governor of the State of Indiana are adhered to. Along with the guidelines set forth in Appendix A, Face masks must be always worn over mouth and nose.

Posting of Colors, Casket Honor Guards, and Templar Funeral Services may resume.

Appendix A: Order of the Temple

Junior Wardens Address:

Junior Warden stands outside the door 6-ft. just keep some distance.

The candidate must follow the SW or JW have him follow 6-ft behind them.

Hermits and their huts: have the hermit sit outside the hut 6 ft from the entrance. Seat the candidate inside by himself but within ear shot of the hermit. Have the bread and water inside the hut on the table. Have the candidate help himself as directed to do so.

Prelate Escort: SK perform with 4 Knights in the escort. Must maintain 6 foot spacing both from shoulder to shoulder and front to back. Before exiting the asylum form single file and when returning to the Asylum, come in single file then form columns and open order as soon as possible. Have the candidate follow behind by 6-foot. At the alter he can stand by himself the JW/SW stand 6ft on either side.

Prelate Address: Prelate stay 6 feet back, SW/JW six feet from candidate.

3-Guards: post and do their usual routine candidate is already 6ft. from SK. Just watch and keep you distance.

1st. Triangle: JW candidate SW at the base of triangle six feet apart. Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General at the apex 6ft apart.

Year of Penance: Have the candidate follow the JW/SW by 6ft distance behind.

2nd. Triangle: Same as 1st Triangle.

Knighting: form the lines keep the lines 6ft apart have the candidate go through the middle keep a 6ft distance from the front so the only one there is the Commander, the JW, and SW. assisting the candidate.

Lectures: just keep at least 6 feet to get the job done

A six-foot distance of all participants and spectators must be maintained at all times.

This order shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first State Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

For details I refer you to General Order No. 6.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of February 18, 2021 AD, A.O. 902

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