



THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE  
OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF MAINE

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The Grand Lodge of Masons of Maine is pleased to promote the "Master Mason Rookie Award" as part of a focused commitment to membership engagement – getting new members involved in their respective Blue Lodges and Masonic Districts.



**Criteria for Earning Maine's Master Mason Rookie Award**  
**Eleven items must be accomplished within the year after being raised:**

**Required:**

1. Attend the conferral of each Blue Lodge degree at least once, by your own Lodge or another Lodge
2. Attend at least one stated or special communication of another Lodge in the District
3. Attend at least seven stated or special communications of the Lodge
4. Work on at least one Lodge / building association social activity or fund raising event
5. Assist Lodge officers at least once in setting up the Lodge room and preparing / serving the Lodge dinner or collation

**Alternates (choose six of the following):**

1. Sponsor at least one candidate into your own Lodge or another Lodge
2. Participate in the conferral of a Blue Lodge degree or the delivery of the candidate charge
3. Work on a Lodge fellowship night
4. Organize or work on one Lodge public service event, e.g. Bikes for Books, Angel Fund, MyCHIP Program, Blood Drive, Food Drive, a youth service activity
5. Attend District schools of instruction
6. Attend a Masonic memorial service
7. Serve on at least one committee of inquiry
8. Assist or visit a non-related shut it / hospitalized Lodge Brother or widow
9. Attend a meeting of the Masonic building association
10. Submit a Masonic or Lodge related article for publication in the Maine Mason
11. Attend an educational program sponsored by the Maine Masonic College
12. Join with other Masons in a Masonic activity approved in advance by the Grand Master

The future of our fraternity and our ability to continue to grow our membership is highly dependent on being able to engage and integrate our new members into the activities of the Lodge – to ADD VALUE to their lives by being Masons. When new members become involved and active in their respective Lodges they become the best prospects for recommending additional new candidates for that Lodge.

The Master Mason Rookie Award is an official means by which we can achieve these membership goals. Attached is a checklist for the Master Mason Rookie Award. Once it has been completed and signed off by the Master of the Lodge and Mentor, it is to be submitted by the Lodge Secretary to the Grand Master's Office for his review and approval. Once approved, the recipient can receive his Master Mason Rookie Award lapel pin at the next visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge Certificate signed by the Grand Master and affixed with the Grand Lodge seal when he attends the annual Rookie Banquet.



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**MASTER MASON ROOKIE AWARD – 2017-2018 CHECKOFF LIST**

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Mother Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Raising: \_\_\_\_\_

**Required (All five are required):**

**Dates Accomplished**

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| 1. Attend the conferral of each Blue Lodge degree at least once, by your Lodge or another Lodge                           | _____ |
| 2. Attend at least one stated or special communication of another Lodge in the District                                   | _____ |
| 3. Attend at least seven stated or special communications of your Lodge   | _____ |
| 4. Work on at least one Lodge / building association social activity or fund raising event                                | _____ |
| 5. Assist Lodge officers at least once in setting up the Lodge room and preparing / serving the Lodge dinner or collation | _____ |

**Alternates (choose six of the following twelve):**

**Dates Accomplished**

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| 1. Sponsor at least one candidate into your own or another Lodge   | _____ |
| 2. Participate in the conferral of a Blue Lodge degree or the delivery of the candidate charge                                   | _____ |
| 3. Work on a Lodge or District fellowship night  | _____ |
| 4. Organize or work on one Lodge public service event, e.g. Bikes for Books, Angel Fund, MyCHIP Program, Blood Drive, Food Drive | _____ |
| 5. Attend District schools of instruction  | _____ |
| 6. Attend a Masonic memorial service   | _____ |
| 7. Serve on at least one committee of inquiry  | _____ |
| 8. Assist or visit a non-related shut it / hospitalized Lodge Brother or widow   | _____ |
| 9. Attend a meeting of the Masonic building association  | _____ |
| 10. Submit a Masonic or Lodge related article for publication in the Maine Mason   | _____ |
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We affirm that the above items have been accomplished on / by the dates specified.

Master Mason Rookie Award Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Secretary / Mentor / Master: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Send a completed form, along with a cover letter, stating why the proposed candidate for the Rookie Award is worthy of receiving this award, to: The Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Maine, PO Box 430, Holden, Maine, 04429-0430.*

The Master Mason Rookie Pin was presented to the Brother on the following date.

By DDGM or other Grand Lodge Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*The awarding officer shall give a copy of this completed form to the Lodge Secretary and return a signed copy to the Grand Secretary.*