

AMENDMENT 1

AMEND: Part IV – Rules and Regulations Governing Subordinate Courts Section 44 – Dual Membership, Page 102

ACTION: Delete in its entirety and replace with:

(A) Dual Membership is a special privilege granted to a Member of the Order of the Amaranth and is permitted in recognized Jurisdictions of Supreme Council. (ALL)

(B) If the Parent and Dual Courts are in different Jurisdictions, application shall be made on Form No. 125 – Petition for Dual Membership. It can be secured from the Court Secretary in which Dual Membership is desired.

1. The Petition for Dual Membership must be read at a Stated Meeting of the Dual Court.
2. The Royal Matron must appoint an investigating committee of three (3) members.
3. The Secretary must immediately forward a copy of the Petition for Dual Membership to the Grand Royal Matron of the Jurisdiction wherein the Parent Court is located.
4. The Secretary must also immediately forward a copy of the Petition for Dual Membership to the Grand Royal Matron of the Jurisdiction wherein the Dual Court is located.
5. If either the Parent or Dual Court is under Supreme Council Jurisdiction the Petition for Dual Membership shall be forwarded to the Supreme Royal Matron.
6. The Grand/Supreme Royal Matrons shall review it and if the Petition for Dual Membership meets all requirements they shall sign it, place their seal upon it and return it to the Secretary of the Dual Court. (ALL)

(C) If the Parent and Dual Court are in the same Jurisdiction, application shall be made on Form No. 125-sub – Petition for Dual Membership. It can be secured from the Court Secretary in which Dual Membership is desired.

Follow 1 thru 6 under paragraph (B) and also send a copy of the Petition for Dual Membership to the Secretary of the Parent Court who will get the Royal Matron's approval, affix the seal and return it to the Dual Court Secretary. (ALL)

(E) Dual Members are entitled to all rights and privileges of each Subordinate Court, or Grand Court, to which they belong and may hold office in both Subordinate Courts with the exception of the Royal Matron/Royal Patron, which may only be held in one Subordinate Court at a time. These privileges shall include the casting of ballots for election of officers, the right to serve on committees, and the right to Grand Office with the provision of each Grand Jurisdiction By-Laws with the exception of Grand Royal Matron/Grand Royal Patron, which may only be held in one Grand Jurisdiction at a time.

(F) If a Dual Member has earned honors in two Jurisdictions, he or she shall be reported on the Credential Listing, for voting entitlement, in each Grand Court or Courts, where voting entitlement was earned.

(G) The Grand Court or Subordinate Court (SCJ), in which an Honored Lady or Sir Knight first received honors for voting entitlement at Supreme Council, shall report a Dual Member on the Credential Listing for Supreme Council.

(H) A minimum fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) shall accompany each Application for Dual Membership, Form No. 125. Dues shall be the same as for a Regular Member.

(I) A member desiring to terminate their membership in either the Parent or Dual Court must make the request in writing. The Secretary of the Court receiving the request will after it has been granted, complete Form 129a – Termination of Dual Membership and send a copy of it to the Secretary of the other Court, the member terminating her/his membership, the Grand Secretary (both Jurisdictions if the Parent and Dual Courts are in different Jurisdictions), the Supreme Secretary. Form 129a – Termination of Dual Membership must also be used if the Dual Membership ceased due to suspension, expulsion or death.

The termination of Dual Membership from either of the Courts, of which she or he is a Member, does not affect or add to her or his standing in the remaining Court which then becomes or remains their Parent Court.

(J) As both Courts in which a Dual Members holds membership collects dues from such members, both Courts must remit Per Capita Tax to the respective Grand Courts or to Supreme Council if either Court is under Supreme Jurisdiction, and both Grand Courts or SCJ Courts must remit Per Capita Tax to Supreme Council on such dual member.

(K) All Subordinate Court Secretaries shall maintain a permanent listing of all members who have Dual Membership status within their Court. All Grand Secretaries shall maintain a permanent listing of all members who have Dual Membership status within the Grand Jurisdiction. In both instances the listing shall reflect the Parent Court and its location.

WHICH NOW READS:

(A) Dual Membership is a special privilege granted to a Member of the Order of the Amaranth and is permitted in recognized Jurisdictions of Supreme Council.

(B) Application shall be made on a Petition for Dual Membership, Form No. 125, secured from the Court Secretary in which Dual Membership is desired. The Petition form must be read at a Stated Meeting of the Dual Court. After being read the Royal Matron must appoint an investigating committee of three members and the Secretary must immediately forward a copy of the Petition to the Grand Royal Matron of the Jurisdiction wherein the Parent Court is located, if appropriate, and another copy of the Petition to the Grand Royal Matron of the Jurisdiction of the Dual Court. The Grand Royal Matrons shall review it and if the Petition meets all requirements they shall sign it, place their seal upon it and return it to the Secretary of the Dual Court. If the Dual or Parent Court is under Supreme Council Jurisdiction the Petition shall be forwarded to the Supreme Royal Matron for such approval and returned to the Secretary of the Dual Court.

If both the Parent and Dual Court are in the same Grand Jurisdiction, Form 125–sub shall be used. The Secretary of the petitioned Dual Court shall forward the petition to the Secretary of the Parent Court who will obtain the Royal Matron's approval, affix the Court seal and return it to the Secretary of the Dual Court. (ALL)

(C) When the approved Petition forms are returned to the Secretary of the Dual Court and after the majority of the completed Investigation Committee Report, Form No. 100, have been returned to the Court, the Petition shall be balloted upon at the next Stated Meeting. If accepted, the Secretary of the Dual Court must notify the Secretary of the Parent Court and the Grand Secretary of both Jurisdictions (if appropriate) and the Supreme Secretary if either Court is under Supreme Council Jurisdiction.

(D) Dual Members are entitled to all rights and privileges of each Subordinate Court, or Grand Court, to which they belong and may hold office in both Subordinate Courts with the exception of the Royal Matron/Royal Patron, which may only be held in one Subordinate Court at a time. These privileges shall include the casting of ballots for election of officers, the right to serve on committees, and the

right to Grand Office with the provision of each Grand Jurisdiction By-Laws with the exception of Grand Royal Matron/Grand Royal Patron, which may only be held in one Grand Jurisdiction at a time.
(E) If a Dual Member has earned honors in two Jurisdictions, he or she shall be reported on the Credential Listing, for voting entitlement, in each Grand Court or Courts, where voting entitlement was earned.

(F) The Grand Court or Subordinate Court (SCJ), in which an Honored Lady or Sir Knight first received honors for voting entitlement at Supreme Council, shall report a Dual Member on the Credential Listing for Supreme Council.

(G) A minimum fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) shall accompany each Application for Dual Membership, Form No. 125. Dues shall be the same as for a Regular Member.

(H) The Withdrawal of a Dual Member from either of the Courts, of which she or he is a Member, does not affect or add to her or his standing in the remaining Court.

However, when a Dual member ceases to be a member in either Court the Secretary of the Court wherein their membership is discontinued must immediately notify, by letter, the Secretary of the other Court and the Grand Secretary of such action and the date membership ceased and whether by withdrawal, suspension, expulsion or death.

(I) As both Courts in which a Dual Members holds membership collects dues from such members, both Courts must remit Per Capita Tax to the respective Grand Courts or to Supreme Council if either Court is under Supreme Jurisdiction, and both Grand Courts or Courts must remit Per Capita Tax to Supreme Council on such dual member.

(J) All Subordinate Court Secretaries shall maintain a permanent listing of all members who have Dual Membership status within their Court. All Grand Secretaries shall maintain a permanent listing of all members who have Dual Membership status within the Grand Jurisdiction. In both instances the listing shall reflect the Parent Court and its location.

WHEN AMENDED WOULD READ:

(A) Dual Membership is a special privilege granted to a Member of the Order of the Amaranth and is permitted in recognized Jurisdictions of Supreme Council. (ALL)

(B) If the Parent and Dual Courts are in different Jurisdictions, application shall be made on Form No. 125 – Petition for Dual Membership. It can be secured from the Court Secretary in which Dual Membership is desired.

1. The Petition for Dual Membership must be read at a Stated Meeting of the Dual Court.
2. The Royal Matron must appoint and investigating committee of three (3) members.
3. The Secretary must immediately forward a copy of the Petition for Dual Membership to the Grand Royal Matron of the Jurisdiction wherein the Parent Court is located.
4. The Secretary must also immediately forward a copy of the Petition for Dual Membership to the Grand Royal Matron of the Jurisdiction wherein the Dual Court is located.
5. If either the Parent or Dual Court is under Supreme Council Jurisdiction the Petition for Dual Membership shall be forwarded to the Supreme Royal Matron.
6. The Grand/Supreme Royal Matrons shall review it and if the Petition for Dual Membership meets all requirements they shall sign it, place their seal upon it and return it to the Secretary of the Dual Court. (ALL)

(C) If the Parent and Dual Court are in the same Jurisdiction, application shall be made on Form No. 125-sub – Petition for Dual Membership. It can be secured from the Court Secretary in which Dual Membership is desired.

Follow 1 thru 6 under paragraph (B) and also send a copy of the Petition for Dual Membership to the Secretary of the Parent Court who will get the Royal Matron's approval, affix the seal and return it to the Dual Court Secretary. (ALL)

(E) Dual Members are entitled to all rights and privileges of each Subordinate Court, or Grand Court, to which they belong and may hold office in both Subordinate Courts with the exception of the Royal Matron/Royal Patron, which may only be held in one Subordinate Court at a time. These privileges shall include the casting of ballots for election of officers, the right to serve on committees, and the right to Grand Office with the provision of each Grand Jurisdiction By-Laws with the exception of Grand Royal Matron/Grand Royal Patron, which may only be held in one Grand Jurisdiction at a time.

(F) If a Dual Member has earned honors in two Jurisdictions, he or she shall be reported on the Credential Listing, for voting entitlement, in each Grand Court or Courts, where voting entitlement was earned.

(G) The Grand Court or Subordinate Court (SCJ), in which an Honored Lady or Sir Knight first received honors for voting entitlement at Supreme Council, shall report a Dual Member on the Credential Listing for Supreme Council.

(H) A minimum fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) shall accompany each Application for Dual Membership, Form No. 125. Dues shall be the same as for a Regular Member.

(I) A member desiring to terminate their membership in either the Parent or Dual Court must make the request in writing. The Secretary of the Court receiving the request will after it has been granted, complete Form 129a – Termination of Dual Membership and send a copy of it to the Secretary of the other Court, the member terminating her/his membership, the Grand Secretary (both Jurisdictions if the Parent and Dual Courts are in different Jurisdictions), the Supreme Secretary. Form 129a – Termination of Dual Membership must also be used if the Dual Membership ceased due to suspension, expulsion or death.

The termination of Dual Membership from either of the Courts, of which she or he is a Member, does not affect or add to her or his standing in the remaining Court which then becomes or remains their Parent Court.

(J) As both Courts in which a Dual Members holds membership collects dues from such members, both Courts must remit Per Capita Tax to the respective Grand Courts or to Supreme Council (if either Court is under Supreme Jurisdiction) and both Grand and SCJ Courts must remit Per Capita Tax to Supreme Council on such dual member.

(K) All Subordinate Court Secretaries shall maintain a permanent listing of all members who have Dual Membership status within their Court. All Grand Secretaries shall maintain a permanent listing of all members who have Dual Membership status within the Grand Jurisdiction. In both instances the listing shall reflect the Parent Court and its location.

Rationale: To make the process of terminating Dual Membership clearer.

Submitted by Barbara Lee Overton, PSRM and Supreme Secretary

AMENDMENT 2

Amendment Rework for 2018

REFERENCE: Supreme Constitution, PART V- GENERAL REGULATIONS, Section 2 "VISITORS", Paragraph D, Page 117a.

Action 1) Delete paragraph in its entirety and change to read as follows.

Will then read:

(D) If three or more Members belonging to a Subordinate Court, where in a meeting is to be held, object to the presence of any Visitors they shall advise the Royal Matron that they object to their presence in the Court giving their rationale therefore. The Royal Matron, in her sole discretion, shall determine if the actions giving rise to the objection could reasonably constitute charges under the Penal Code. If objections are made, and sustained by the Royal Matron, before the Court is opened, the Royal Matron shall request such Visitors to retire from the Court, stating that objections have been made, and sustained by the Royal Matron, to their presence, and such Visitors shall at once retire. If objections are made, and sustained by the Royal Matron, after the Court is opened, the Royal Matron will call a recess and request such Visitors to retire as stated above.

REFERENCE: Supreme Constitution, PART V- GENERAL REGULATIONS, Section 2 "VISITORS", Paragraph E, Line 1, Page 117a.

Action 1) Add the following after the word made
and sustained by the Royal Matron

Will then read:

(E) If objections are made, and sustained by the Royal Matron", before a Court is opened and should the Visitors refuse to retire,

REFERENCE: Supreme Constitution, PART V- GENERAL REGULATIONS, Section 2 "VISITORS", Paragraph F, Line 1, Page 117a.

Action 1) Add the following after the word made
and sustained by the Royal Matron

Will then read:

(F) If objections are made, and sustained by the Royal Matron", before a Court is opened and should the Visitors refuse to retire,

RATIONAL:

It is the goal of the Masonic Fraternity to foster growth and comradeship through the association with and support of other Members while ensuring the integrity and civility of the Order. The Order of the Amaranth, Inc. supports this mandate and encourages its Members to work toward the overall support of the Subordinate Courts, Grand Courts and Supreme Council while working toward an increase in our Order, its community representation, and stability within the laws of the Order.

Understandably, the Tenets of Freemasonry do allow a Member or Members of a Lodge to ask for the restriction of another Member's presence during their meetings IF they have knowledge that the individual concerned is a threat to the Lodge or the Fraternity in general and therefore should not be allowed to participate in the activity of the Lodge. This would and should consist of

illegal or offensive actions that violate the regulations of the Governing Grand Lodge and could or should be punishable under the Penal statutes of the Fraternity or local government ; NOT based on simply having personality conflicts or disagreements.

The actions and laws specified in the present Supreme Constitution do not support the above basic fraternal principles and are in general violation of the overall Tenets of Freemasonry along with the basic Landmarks and obligation of the Order of the Amaranth. However, it does, unfortunately, allow for **personal dislike or disagreement** with a Member to cause the exclusion of her or him from exercising her or his right of Membership and desire to support the Members of their own or other Courts within the Grand Court Jurisdiction or the Order of the Amaranth in general.

Submitted by R.E. Breckenridge, PSRP

AMENDMENT 3

Part II - Regulations for Supreme Council

Sec. 28 - Standing Committees and Their Duties, page 39,

Insert: International Development

Now reads:

(A) The following Standing Committees of the Supreme Council, to consist of not less than five members each, shall be appointed by the Supreme Royal Matron. Unless specified otherwise, the first member to be named to be Chairman, to wit: Addresses and Distribution, Credentials, Delinquents, Dispensations and Charters, Election, Finance, Fraternal Relations, Grand Court Bylaws, Jurisprudence, Leadership Training, Necrology, Press, Printing, Publication, Registration, Ritual, Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Courts (SCJ), Supreme Assembly and Web Page Committee. The Chairman, Supreme Budget Committee is as directed by Part II, Section 28 (B) (2). Only members of Supreme Council, as set forth in Part II, Section 1, Supreme Constitution, shall be eligible for appointment to a Standing Committee.

(B) The duties of the Standing Committees shall be as follows:

Change to read:

(A) The following Standing Committees of the Supreme Council, to consist of not less than five members each, shall be appointed by the Supreme Royal Matron. Unless specified otherwise, the first member to be named to be Chairman, to wit: Addresses and Distribution, Credentials, Delinquents, Dispensations and Charters, Election, Finance, Fraternal Relations, Grand Court Bylaws, * International Development *, Jurisprudence, Leadership Training, Necrology, Press, Printing, Publication, Registration, Ritual, Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Courts (SCJ), Supreme Assembly and Web Page Committee. The Chairman, Supreme Budget Committee is as directed by Part II, Section 28 (B) (2). Only members of Supreme Council, as set forth in Part II, Section 1, Supreme Constitution, shall be eligible for appointment to a Standing Committee.

(B) The duties of the Standing Committees shall be as follows:

Insert new (9)

* The Committee on International Development shall be responsible for cultivating interest in the Order of the Amaranth where the Order does not currently exist. This will include the preparation of our printed material and electronic media into the proper language with final approval by the Supreme Trustees. The chairman shall be appointed by the Supreme Royal Matron; members shall serve for a term of three years each with one new member appointed annually. *

Renumber remaining paragraphs as necessary.

Rational: This committee is of such importance to our Order that it needs to have its own recognition as a Standing Committee as well as have consistency of membership to accomplish the objective.

Submitted by:

H.L. Dianne Dean, PSRM

AMENDMENT 4

Part II - Regulations for Supreme Council

Sec. 24 AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF THE SUPREME SECRETARY, page 29

Currently reads:

(l) To notify under Corporate Seal all Grand Courts and Subordinate Courts (SCJ) the names of all Elective and Appointive Officers within such Grand Court or Subordinate Court (SCJ). To prepare a Directory of all Supreme Elective and Appointive Officers and Standing and Special Committees; which shall contain a listing of the Grand Elective Line Officers and Secretaries of all Grand Courts and the same for all Subordinate Courts (SCJ). Also the dates and place of the next Grand Court Session and the meeting places and dates of the Subordinate Courts (SCJ). It shall also contain a copy of the Supreme Royal Matron's itinerary, a listing of all Past Supreme Royal Matrons and Patrons and addresses and telephone numbers of those still surviving. The Directory will be provided gratis to all Supreme Elective Officers, each Past Supreme Royal Matron and Patron, spouses of deceased Past Supreme Royal Matrons and Patrons who are members of Supreme Council and an Office Copy for each Grand Court and Subordinate Court Secretary (SCJ) and also the Chairman of each Standing and Special Committee. Others may purchase a copy for the price determined by the cost of printing plus postage. All orders for the Directory must be received by the Supreme Secretary by July 15 each year. Printing and distribution must be completed by October 1.

Delete: *each Past Supreme Royal Matron and Patron, spouses of deceased Past Supreme Royal Matrons and Patrons who are members of Supreme Council* and * and also the Chairman of each Standing and Special Committee*.

Change to read:

(l) To notify under Corporate Seal all Grand Courts and Subordinate Courts (SCJ) the names of all Elective and Appointive Officers within such Grand Court or Subordinate Court (SCJ). To prepare a Directory of all Supreme Elective and Appointive Officers and Standing and Special Committees; which shall contain a listing of the Grand Elective Line Officers and Secretaries of all Grand Courts and the same for all Subordinate Courts (SCJ). Also the dates and place of the next Grand Court Session and the meeting places and dates of the Subordinate Courts (SCJ). It shall also contain a copy of the Supreme Royal Matron's itinerary, a listing of all Past Supreme Royal Matrons and Patrons and addresses and telephone numbers of those still surviving. The Directory will be provided gratis to all Supreme Elective Officers and an Office Copy for each Grand Court and Subordinate Court Secretary (SCJ). Others may purchase a copy for the price determined by the cost of printing plus postage. All orders for the Directory must be received by the Supreme Secretary by July 15 each year. Printing and distribution must be completed by October 1.

Rational: This is a cost cutting measure in light of decreased revenue from forms which are now electronic.

Submitted:

H.L. Dianne Dean, PSRM & Supreme Trustee

AMENDMENT 5

Part II, Regulations for Supreme Council, Section 20 Authority & duties of the Supreme Royal Patron, Paragraph (C), Page 24.

NOW READS:

(C) He shall advise and assist the Supreme Royal Matron in the performance of her duties. When possible, he should accompany the Supreme Royal Matron on her Official Visits. He shall receive traveling expenses, not to exceed the appropriation as provided by the annual budget. Withdrawal requests shall include receipts for travel expenses and room accommodations {if not provided gratis by the Grand Court of Subordinate Court (SCJ)}. These traveling expenses shall not be utilized for attendance at Receptions or other social functions. He shall list in his Annual Report, by name, all Grand Courts and Subordinate Courts (SCJ),, which he visited during the year.

ACTION: Add the following to the end of the third sentence

except in the case of travel to Institute and Constitute Courts in Countries where Amaranth does not already exist. Such Instituting and Constituting travel expenses can be approved by the Supreme Board of Trustees.

WOULD THEN READ: Refer to Part II Sec. 20

(5) He shall advise and assist the Supreme Royal Matron in the performance of her duties. When possible, he should accompany the Supreme Royal Matron on her Official Visits. He shall receive traveling expenses not to exceed the appropriation as provided by the annual budget except in the case of travel to Institute and Constitute Courts in Countries where Amaranth does not already exist. Such Instituting and Constituting travel expenses can be approved by the Supreme Board of Trustees. Withdrawal requests shall include receipts for travel expenses and room accommodations if not provided gratis by the Grand Court or Subordinate Court (SCJ). These travel funds shall not be utilized for attendance at Receptions or other social functions. He shall list in his Annual Report, by name, all Grand Courts and Subordinate Courts (SCJ), which he visited during the year.

RATIONALE:

Part II Sec. 20 (A) states that the Supreme Royal Patron shall confer, or delegate his authority to another eligible member to confer, the Degree upon those persons listed in Part I, Sec. 3 (A), herein for the purpose of Organizing a Subordinate Court where no Grand Court exists. This change provides for potential reimbursement of travel expenses of the SRP when performing his duties as part of the Institution and Constitution of Courts in countries where Amaranth does not currently exist. This change also makes the SRP's reimbursement process consistent with the SRM's reimbursement process described in Part II Section 20 Authority and duties of the Supreme Royal Matron.

Signed & Submitted By:

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AMENDMENT 6

Supreme Constitution Amendments

Reference Part II, Section 31-Revenue, Para (0), page 49

Currently Reads:

(D) Grand Courts shall pay for each of its members annually, based (as of December 31st) on its last year's Report, Two Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$2.50). Subordinate Courts

Change:

Two Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$2.50) to Four Dollars (\$4.00)

Will Then Read:

(D) Grand Courts shall pay for each of its members annually, based (as of December 31st) on its last year's Report, Four Dollars (\$4.00). Subordinate Courts

Rationale:

Due to increases in forecasted expenditures created by the reduction in Membership, it is necessary to raise the annual per-capita to compensate for these increases.

AMENDMENT 7

Reference Part II, Section 31-Revenue, Para (E), page 49 Currently Reads:

(E) Grand Courts shall pay for every person initiated during any portion of the present year, Two Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$2.50). For every person affiliated during the present year Two Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$2.50). For every person reinstated during the present year, Two Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$2.50). For every Dual Member accepted during the present year Two Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$2.50).

Change Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$2.50) to Four Dollars (\$4.00) and correct to read as follows:

(E) Grand Courts shall pay for every person initiated during any portion of the present year, Four Dollars (\$4.00). For every person affiliated during the present year. Four Dollars (\$4.00). For every person reinstated during the present year, Four Dollars (\$4.00). For every Dual Member accepted during the present year, Four Dollars (\$4.00).

Rationale:

Due to increases in forecasted expenditures created by the reduction in Membership, it is necessary to raise the annual per-capita to compensate for these increases.

Submitted by Supreme Trustees:

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