



General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International

Ritual Jewel



“Training programs shouldn't be designed to deliver competence; they must be dedicated to producing excellence. Serious organizations don't aspire to be comfortably above average.” - Brandon Webb, MLB Pitcher

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A. PURPOSE

The purpose of Capitular ritual training is to strengthen the significance of Royal Arch Masonry, enlighten the mind, and polish the spirit of the candidate, as well as any exalted Companion. However, labored excellence in the quarries of our Craft can only be achieved through habituation of training, study and discipline. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International is therefore pleased to recognize Companions who excel in the ritualistic presentation of the Capitular Degrees by award of a Ritual Jewel. This prestigious honor is provided by the General Grand Chapter RAMI to Companions who have demonstrated a high level of proficiency in their ritualistic endeavors, as determined eligible by an established scoring system.



B. REQUIREMENTS

Every Royal Arch Mason is eligible to earn a Ritual Jewel. Requirements are based on a cumulative point system in presentation of various roles within the Capitular Degrees. The Companion must perform the qualifying part from memory on at least two (2) occasions for actual candidates. Performance must also be witnessed and attested by one of the following qualifying Companions: 1) Current holder of General Grand Chapter Ritualistic Jewel; 2) a Past or Current General Grand Custodian of the Work; 3) a Past or Current Grand High Priest of a constituent Grand Chapter; or 4) Chairman of a Ritualistic Work Committee of the qualifying Companion's Grand Chapter.

Point credit shall only be allowed for each separate degree character part exemplified, not for multiple performances of the same part. For example, if a Companion satisfactorily performs the role of Principal Sojourner on the occasion of four (4) different degree conferrals, he may only earn three (3) points, not 12 points (4 degree conferrals x 3 role points). Lastly, all points may be earned only on degree conferrals performed after January 1, 2000.

To begin the process of improving and testing Capitular ritual proficiency, companion applicants may use the Ritual Jewel Scoreboard form available in these instructions or request same from the Grand Chapter Secretary of their jurisdiction.

C. ELIGIBILITY

There shall be a no "mistakes" quota. Each applicant is expected to perform an especially credible job in the part he is exemplifying. This condition indicates performance should therefore be grounded on accurate word memorization as well as vocal tone, inflection and articulation; and includes correct floor work, gestures and dramatic use of tools and props appropriate to the part.

The following table illustrates the several parts in the Capitular Degrees determined eligible for consideration. The Companion applicant may accumulate any total point combination of 12 or greater to qualify for the General Grand Chapter Ritual Jewel:

Award Point(s)	Capitular Degree	Exemplification Character Part
3	Mark Master Degree	Right Worshipful Master
3	Royal Arch Degree	High Priest (Jeshua)
3	Royal Arch Degree	Principal Sojourner
3	Royal Arch Degree	Lecture
3	Mark Master Degree Most Excellent Master Degree Royal Arch Degree	Master Overseer, and Senior Deacon, and Captain of the Host
2	Past Master Degree	Right Worshipful Master
2	Most Excellent Master Degree	Right Worshipful Master (1st Section)
2	Mark Master Degree	Lecture
2	Most Excellent Master Degree	Lecture
2	Mark Master Degree Most Excellent Master Degree Royal Arch Degree	Senior Deacon, and Senior Warden, and Haggai
1	Royal Arch Degree	Master of the First Veil
1	Royal Arch Degree	Master of the Second Veil
1	Royal Arch Degree	Master of the Third Veil

D. CERTIFICATION

Upon completion of the minimum 12-Point requirement, signed by qualifying Companion(s) as identified in section B. Requirements, the Companion applicant should deliver the completed Ritual Jewel Scoreboard to the Grand Chapter Secretary. ***(Be sure to make a copy of the original document and have the Grand Chapter Secretary endorse the duplicate scoreboard as an “official copy” in case of loss in the mail.)***

Upon receipt, the Grand Chapter Secretary should certify the completed original by signature and affixed seal of the Grand Chapter, and mail the certified “Ritual Jewel Scoreboard” to the General Grand Secretary, General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International. The jurisdictional Grand Secretary should further indicate the recipient name and complete street mailing address where the Ritual Jewel should be delivered from the General Grand Chapter.

The cost of the Ritual Jewel (including shipping) shall be borne by the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International. No cost(s) for the Ritual Jewel should be passed to the qualified Companion.



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RITUAL JEWEL SCOREBOARD

1.	MARK MASTER DEGREE: Right Worshipful Master Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	3 Points
2.	PAST MASTER DEGREE: Right Worshipful Master Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	2 Points
3.	MOST EXCELLENT MASTER DEGREE: Right Worshipful Master (Section 1) Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	2 Points
4.	ROYAL ARCH DEGREE: High Priest (Jeshua) Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	3 Points
5.	ROYAL ARCH DEGREE: Principal Sojourner Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	3 Points
6.	MARK MASTER DEGREE: Lecture Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	2 Points
7.	MOST EXCELLENT MASTER DEGREE: Lecture Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	2 Points
8.	ROYAL ARCH DEGREE: Lecture Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	3 Points
9.	MARK MASTER DEGREE: Senior Deacon and MOST EXCELLENT MASTER DEGREE: Senior Warden and ROYAL ARCH DEGREE: Haggai Date: _____ 1st Attest: _____ Date: _____ 2nd Attest: _____	2 Points

