

RITUAL MERIT BAR

THE FOLLOWING OUTLINE IS THE DEMOLAY INTERNATIONAL SCALE FOR EARNING POINTS. POINTS ARE AWARDED FOR A PART FOR EACH TIME THAT PART IS GIVEN

| Initiatory Degree | | DeMolay Degree | |
|-------------------|----|-------------------|----|
| Master Councilor | 40 | Master Councilor | 35 |
| Marshal | 25 | Jacques DeMolay | 50 |
| Senior Councilor | 20 | Master Inquisitor | 45 |
| Senior Deacon | 20 | Junior Inquisitor | 25 |
| Junior Councilor | 20 | Orator | 25 |
| Chaplain | 10 | Senior Inquisitor | 10 |
| Preceptors | 15 | Guy of Auvergne | 5 |
| Senior Steward | 5 | Senior Guard | 5 |
| Junior Steward | 5 | Marshal | 5 |
| | | Lord Constable | 5 |

Ceremony of Light 30 Points

Flower Talk 40 Points

Majority Service

| Majority Service | | Representative DeMolay (RD) Ceremony | |
|------------------|----|--------------------------------------|----|
| Master Councilor | 25 | Chancellor | 25 |
| Senior Councilor | 10 | Preceptor | 15 |
| Junior Councilor | 20 | Inquisitor | 15 |
| Chaplain | 5 | Herald | 5 |



NAME: _____

CHAPTER: _____

DATE: _____

MERIT BAR RECORD

Fill out this form and give it to your Awards Advisor or Chapter Advisor.

This guide is intended to aid each DeMolay in preparing and submitting request for Merit Bars. Merit Bars are awards that recognize DeMolays for achievement in some phase of Chapter activity. They are awarded on the recommendation of the Awards Advisor. The Advisory Council makes the final decision about whether an individual has met the requirements for each bar. For more information, consult the *DeMolay Leader's Resource Guide*, contact a member of your Advisory Council, or contact your Executive Officer.

Presentation of Merit Bars and Awards will be made during Public Installation's whenever possible. Be sure to submit this form by the deadline designated by your chapter's Awards Advisor.

| | White (1st Award) | Red (2nd Award) | Blue (3rd Award) | Purple (4th Award) | Gold (5th Award) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Athletics | | | | | |
| Attendance | | | | | |
| Civic Service | | | | | |
| Conclave | | | | | |
| Correspondence Course | | | | | |
| Fine Arts | | | | | |
| Fund Raising | | | | | |
| Installing | | | | | |
| Journalism | | | | | |
| Masonic Attendance | | | | | |
| Masonic Service | | | | | |
| Merit | | | | | |
| Membership | | | | | |
| Priory | | | | | |
| Religion | | | | | |
| Ritual | | | | | |
| Safe Driver | | | | | |
| Scholastics | | | | | |
| Visitation | | | | | |

Merit Bar Descriptions

Athletics

Awarded for participating in a Chapter's athletic program for one full year with a minimum of six (6) game competitions in one or more sports. This includes bowling and rifle.

Attendance

For perfect attendance at regular meetings for one year in a member's chapter, or if far away from home, for the same number of meetings of some other Chapter. Make-up meetings counted toward the Attendance Bar will not be used to fulfill the requirements for the Visitation Bar.

Civic Service

A member must contribute ten hours of service on behalf of the Chapter without financial remuneration to the individual of the Chapter in three different civic projects of the Chapter.

Conclave

For attending three state, jurisdictional, or provincial conclaves as a participant or as a visitor.

Fine Arts

For working in or on a musical group with a minimum of three performances or for participating in a minimum of two theatrical performances. **These need not be DeMolay related.**

Fund Raising

Work on at least three different fund raising projects for the Chapter, for a total of twenty hours, without direct financial remuneration to himself.

Installing

For participating in **three** Chapter installation ceremonies as a member of the installing team.

Journalism

For being a member of, or submitting to, **a Chapter newspaper, public newspaper, electronic newspaper, web newsletter, web site, or any other form of published communication** with at least six articles submitted and published, copies of which are forwarded to the Supreme Council Service and Leadership Center. The Merit Bar must be ordered by the Chapter in the routine manner.

Correspondence Course

The Leadership Correspondence Course is a five course program. The Lamp of Knowledge certificate is awarded for successful completion of the fifth course. Merit Bars are awarded upon successful completion of each of the courses. ***Several Jurisdictions run their own LCC's. Check with your Executive Officer.***

Merit Bar Descriptions Continued...

Masonic Attendance

Awarded to an active DeMolay who brings in **three** different Master Masons in good standing, to one or more DeMolay Chapter meetings. He may not be an Advisor of any chapter or jurisdiction. He must list each Mason and have the list confirmed by both the Master Councilor and Chapter Advisor. Limited to one bar per year.

Masonic Service

For participating in three different Chapter Masonic Service projects with a minimum of ten hours without financial remuneration to either individual or Chapter.

Merit

For contributing twenty hours of service to DeMolay in an area not covered by another bar with no financial remuneration to the individual or the Chapter.

Membership

For securing and being the first line signer for three membership applicants who are initiated into the Chapter.

Priory

Be a member in good standing for a minimum of one year and attend two-thirds of the Priory functions. (Priory must have held a minimum of six activities other than regular meetings.)

Religion

For attending at least **thirty** regular weekly religious services per year.

Ritual

For sustained and UNUSUALLY HIGH GRADE work in either or both degrees with a minimum of 125 points earned according to the Supreme Council point scale. Points are awarded each time part is given.

Safe Driver

Each year, with a clean driving record, the member will earn the next level of the bar. An infraction can halt the earning of future colors, and a serious infraction could mean the loss of a color or colors, or the entire bar itself. The issue date of the license/permit would be the start date for determining the year of a safe driving record.

Scholastics

Maintain a "B" grade average (or equivalent) for one full year of school.

Visitation

For six visitations at regular Chapter meetings of a Chapter other than his own, or a total traveled distance of 150 miles (one way).