

# Indiana Freemason Rookie Award



To receive the Indiana Rookie Award, the candidate must meet all of the requirements listed on the criteria page and have that information detailed on the subsequent Award Checklist page. After the checklist has been completed, it must then be signed by the Worshipful Master, Lodge Secretary, and the award recipient. If your Lodge desires to have a Grand Lodge officer present the award, please choose a desired date for your event. E-mail the completed form or mail it to the program facilitator at the following address for processing. The program certificate and lapel pin will then be mailed directly to your Lodge Secretary.

Send your completed forms to:

Indiana Grand Lodge  
Attention: Ashley Baird  
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Indianapolis, IN 46204

**Phone:** (317) 634-7904 or **E-mail** [ashley@ingrandlodge.org](mailto:ashley@ingrandlodge.org)

This form can be downloaded from the Indiana Grand Lodge Member Portal under the RESOURCES tab then PROGRAM section after you sign in at:

<http://members.indianafreemasons.com>

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## **Master Mason Rookie Award Program**

As a part of a focused commitment to membership engagement, we are pleased to present the Indiana Master Mason Rookie Award. This is an award designed to help Indiana lodges recognize new Master Masons who become actively involved in their symbolic lodges, and Freemasonry in general, during their first year in our fraternity.

### **Criteria for Earning the Rookie Award**

In order to receive this award, the applicant must accomplish each of the following tasks before the date of his First Anniversary as a Master Mason:

1. Attend the conferral of at least one EA, FC, and MM degree at any lodge.
2. Attend at least six stated meetings of your own lodge.
3. Attend at least one stated or called meeting of another lodge.
4. Participate in at least one home lodge social activity or fundraising event.
5. Assist once in setting up your lodge room, and preparing or serving a lodge dinner.
6. Participate in the conferral of at least one lodge degree.
7. Attend "Celebration of Life": A Memorial, Award of Gold, or Recognition Ceremony.
8. Attend at least one Lodge of Instruction.
9. Serve on the investigating committee of at least one new candidate.
10. Assist or visit a sick, shut-in, or hospitalized lodge brother or widow with other lodge members.

The future of our fraternity and the ability to continue to grow our membership is dependent on being able to engage and integrate our new members into the activities of their respective lodges. When new members become quickly involved and active in their lodges, they become our best prospects for remaining active and generating new potential members. The Rookie Award will assist your lodge with the process of improving each new Master Mason's initial experience with our Fraternity.

Attached is a checklist for the Master Mason Rookie Award. Once it has been completed and signed by the Worshipful Master and Secretary of the lodge, the new Master Mason will be eligible to receive an award certificate and lapel pin. Although the Worshipful Master may complete the process by presenting the award for his lodge, he also has the option of having a representative of Grand Lodge attend and present the award. Simply send an invitation to the Progressive Grand Line officer in your area of the state and they will be happy to assist you. All Grand Lodge Officer contact information is available in the Indiana Masonic Directory.

## Master Mason Rookie Award Checklist

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

Applicant's Home Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received Master Mason Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Attend the conferral of at least one EA, FC, and MM degree at any lodge.

Dates and Lodge:

E.A. \_\_\_\_\_ F.C. \_\_\_\_\_ M.M. \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

2. Attend at least six stated meetings of your own lodge: Give Dates of each meeting attended.

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_

3. Attend at least one stated or called meeting of another lodge.

Give Date and Lodge - \_\_\_\_\_

4. Participate in at least one home lodge social activity or funds raising event.

Date - \_\_\_\_\_

5. Assist in setting up your lodge room, and preparing or serving a lodge dinner.

Lodge room setup (Date - \_\_\_\_\_) Dinner (Date - \_\_\_\_\_)

6. Participate in the conferral of at least one lodge degree.

Degree - \_\_\_\_\_ Date - \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge - \_\_\_\_\_

7. Attend "Celebration of Life" event (Memorial, AWG, Recognition Ceremony, etc.).

Date - \_\_\_\_\_

8. Attend at least one Lodge of Instruction.

Date - \_\_\_\_\_

9. Serve on the investigating committee of at least one new candidate.

Date - \_\_\_\_\_

10. Assist or visit a sick, shut-in, or hospitalized lodge brother or widow.

Date - \_\_\_\_\_

**Award Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Worshipful Master Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Secretary Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Request date for the presentation of the Award (if applicable)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_