

Mid-Atlantic Tournament of Champions  
Rules, Sources, Contest Procedure, and Specifics (Updated August 28 2019 )

This document outlines all the rules pertaining to the Mid-Atlantic Tournament of Champions, including Tournament rules, and specific rules for each contest. Please pay close attention to them, as the judges will penalize competitors for any deviations.

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**GENERAL CONTEST RULES**

1. Prepare the room, compete and clear the room within the Time Limit.
2. Prevent interruptions while competing.
3. Fill the Required Parts and any other Parts with Qualified Persons.
4. All aspects of DeMolay Youth Protection must be followed. Those wearing costumes must be clothed underneath them.
5. Comply fully and correctly with all Rules, Specifics, Contest Procedures and Evaluator's rulings.
6. Present the complete correct Required Work.
7. Fully and correctly follow all SOURCE and Specifics instructions.
8. Correctly and audibly say the words and make the sounds of the ceremony from memory, the only prompts that may be used are in accordance to the prompt policy set forth by MATOC.
9. Deliver the words with expression appropriate to ceremony and part.
10. Interpret and present the ceremony so as to achieve the maximum good impression.  
**FAILURE TO DO SO WILL BE SUBJECT TO PENALTY.**
11. Recording devices and cellphones are not permitted in the competition room.
12. Individuals whose cellphone or other electronic device signal or go off in a contest may not watch any other contests.

**TOURNAMENT RULES**

1. A DeMolay may not compete in the Tournament once he has attained the age of 21, regardless of office held. The exception to this rule are is the Chevalier Investiture. This defines a “qualified person” under the MATOC rules.
2. A DeMolay may only compete in a particular team contest once per Tournament. For instance, he may not compete in two Chapter Proficiency contests, even if he performs different parts in both contests.
3. DeMolays competing in Magnificent Seven may not compete in individual preceptor parts or the preceptor trio. They may, however, compete in the initiatory degree proficiency and perform all seven parts or perform in a preceptor corps. DeMolays competing in the preceptor trio may not compete in individual preceptor parts, however, they may compete in the initiatory degree proficiency and perform in a preceptor corps.

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4. DeMolays competing in the Flower Talk or the Flower Talk with Mother's Watch may only compete in one contest.
5. Jurisdictional Champions in Magnificent 7, may not compete at the open level for the preceptor trio or Preceptor corps. The Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction may determine who and which team or teams are the jurisdictional champions.
6. All individual contests will be divided into divisions. The junior open division will be for DeMolays between 12 and 14 years of age. The Senior open division will be for DeMolays from 15 years of age and above. There will be a champion division which will consist of jurisdictional winners, and previous winners at MATOC, or Frank Marshall Tournament or Old South Tournament or Heartland. A previous winner in the Junior Open division automatically moves into Senior Open Division for that contest. A previous winner in Senior Open division automatically moves into championship division for that contest.
7. With permission from your Executive Officer, a team for the Initiatory Degree, DeMolay Degree, and/or Chapter Proficiency may be composed of DeMolays from different Chapters.
8. All contest parts and requirements will be defined in these contest specifics. Minimum proficiency scores will be defined by the MATOC Committee and published ahead of the contest. .
9. A rookie is defined as a DeMolay:
  - a. whose Initiatory Degree who joined DeMolay no more than 14 months prior to the competition date;
  - b. who has not competed in any individual contest before at MATOC
10. Registrations must be 100% complete and on time with full names of all competitors and feeds paid previous to competition.
11. The chairman of the Tournament will make judging assignments.

## **PROMPTS DURING COMPETITIONS**

Under no circumstances will the judging panel prompt a competitor. If the competitor (or team) so chooses, he/they may designate one prompter (not on the judging panel) who will be allowed to have an open ritual book or a print out of the public ceremony in the competition room in order to prompt him/them. The prompter may not use copies of the MATOC judging sheets. Each prompt may be up to 5 words long, and the judging panel chairman will assess 10 penalties per prompt.

## **OPEN RITUALS IN THE COMPETITION AREA**

Open rituals and copies of the ritual are not permitted during the contest with the exception of the designated prompter. The designated prompter shall be allowed to have a writing instrument with them. Between when time is called on and before the competitor says begin, open rituals are permitted to allow for questions and clarifications with the judging panel.

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## SOURCES

Closed Contests:

Ritual of Secret Work of the Order of DeMolay, Fifteenth Edition, 2013.

Open Contests:

Ceremony of Light, Flower Talk and Installation service from the Ritual of Secret Work of the Order of DeMolay, Fifteenth Edition, 2013.

Monitor of Ceremonies of the Order of DeMolay, Seventh Edition, 2017.(from [www.demolay.org](http://www.demolay.org))

## CONTEST PROCEDURE

1. At registration time, the competitors should pick up the competition schedule, and their contest entry forms. If there are any changes or mistakes, the competitors should write them on the forms. The entry forms must be presented at the time of competing. Competitors should check for the time and place of the competitor's workshop, where they may ask questions of the Tournament Auditors.

2. Parts, Crew and Doorkeepers should arrive at the place of competition five or more minutes early. Disturbances will be penalized. Parts may arrive dressed for competition or may change at that time.

3. For team competitions one active DeMolay shall be designated as a spokesman, for all individual competitions the competitor shall be the spokesman.

4. Near their scheduled time, the Chapter will be called at the door of the competition room. Competitor will reply at once to the Evaluator who called, informing him that the Chapter is present and ready to compete. Competitors may arrive dressed for competition or may change at that time.

5. Evaluators and Competitor(s) enter the room, followed by Crew, with any additional equipment they may wish to use for the degree. Doorkeepers may take their places and leave the doors open. Panel Chairman calls room to order and proceeds with the Panel Ritual. After time is called "On", Spokesman hands him the entry form, whereby he certifies that all Parts are Qualified Persons. Any Chapter error on the entry form which would affect the eligibility of any Part will disqualify the Chapter. Spokesman asks any additional questions the team may have. At this point the panel chairperson will ask the stipulation questions and the competitor or other qualified person shall respond, and makes any required stipulations.

**Please note:** It is recommended that if your jurisdiction has a unique tradition such as the way you walk, or the way you hold your hands, or anything else that may be provincially unique that you inform the panel chair in your stipulations. Judges should note that failure to inform the judges is not, by itself, a penalty.

6. Parts and Crew arrange area for competition. Crew members may include Advisors or other adults. When preparations are complete the competitor informs the Evaluators by saying "Begin", and evaluation begins.

7. When the Chapter is finished, Spokesman says "Stop", and evaluation ceases.

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8. Parts and Crew clear area of Chapter equipment. When clear, Panel Chairman says "Time off", ending the official timing period.

9. Delegation may witness all competitions possible, recalling that their misconduct or their harassment of a Competitor will be penalized at the discretion of the Tournament director.

10. At the request of the competitor, a room may be cleared of all spectators.

11. Chapter may appeal the result of a contest by notifying the Tournament Chairman within 48 hours of the release of the Evaluation Sheets. A full written statement of the protest's basis must be postmarked or e-mailed to the tournament director within 7 business days. Chapters or competitors will be notified of the ruling within 30 days.

### **SPECIFICS IN ALL CONTESTS**

1. Items listed in the SOURCE as required for that contest must be actual; optional items may be simulated.

2. When SOURCE implies, officers may pass between Altar and East without an expressed stipulation.

3. All other General Instructions pertinent to the ceremony apply, except as noted in the Specifics or as counterinstructed in the ceremony's text.

### **CEREMONY OF LIGHT SPECIFICS**

#### **REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Ceremony of Light, as it appears in the SOURCE, from 9201 through 9418, without changes.

a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except for stations.

1. Open Holy Bible or other appropriate text is placed upon the center of Altar.

2. School books are lying on Northeast corner of Altar.

3. National flag in a standard.

b. Candles are already lighted.

c. Speaker is seated at beginning of ceremony.

d. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

**REQUIRED PARTS:** The Speaker.

**TIME LIMIT:** 20 Minutes.

**Minimum points:** 700

### **CHAPLAIN SPECIFICS**

#### **REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Chaplain's three prayers, as they appear in the SOURCE, from 2601 through 2607, 3209 through 3220, and 3415 through 3421, without changes.

a. Chaplain kneels for prayer as indicated in Figure 5.

b. This is the only direction that will be judged; no room setup is required beyond having an open Holy Bible or other appropriate text.

**REQUIRED PARTS:** Chaplain

**TIME LIMIT:** 10 Minutes.

**Minimum Points:** 800

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## CHAPTER PROFICIENCY SPECIFICS

### REQUIRED WORK:

1. Initiatory Degree Opening Ceremony, DeMolay Degree Opening Ceremony & Nine O'clock Interpolation and closing starting 1621 through 3622 without changes. **Any ritual in gray boxes is excluded**
  - a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of the Required Parts.
  - b. Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.
  - c. The ceremony will begin with the Master Councilor's rap (after "When all Officers are at their stations..." appears in italics on line 1621).
  - f. "Word of the Day" is RITUAL.
  - g. Words and grips are collected from all floor officers only. Not from spectators.
  - h. Salute to flag is that described on source page 156. This includes the joining of the fingers
  - i. The official Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States is spoken by all parts except the Standard Bearer.
  - j. Competing Chapter's name or team name for a multi-chapter team is inserted in blanks appropriate.
2. Nine O'clock Interpolation, starting 2815 through 3020.

Striking of gong during the nine o'clock interpretation is mandatory and may be done by any Required Part.

- a. The closing prayer is that in the text; Nine O'clock Interpolation Prayer may NOT be used instead. The standard response of "amen" is the only acceptable response.
- b. Immediately after 3314 3610 ("J.D. remains standing" appears in italics), Master Councilor raps once and Master Councilor and Junior Deacon sit down, ending ceremony.

### REQUIRED PARTS:

1. Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Senior Steward, Junior, Steward, Marshal, Chaplain, Standard Bearer, Sentinel.
  2. The Senior Deacon may perform the role of standard bearer. The Master Councilor will address the Senior Deacon as Standard Bearer where appropriate.
  3. The Junior Deacon May perform the role of the Sentinel. The Junior Deacon will perform all raps, knocks, actions, and words performed by the sentinel, but will remain at point A while doing so.
  4. The Senior Steward may perform the role of Junior Steward. The Master councilor will address the Senior Steward as Junior steward where appropriate. After performing his respective parts, the Senior Steward will move to the Junior Steward's station by making an about face and moving J to G, Z, X Time Limit: 40 Minutes
- Minimum Score: 500.

## CHAPTER PUBLIC OPENING

### REQUIRED WORK:

1. Public Opening Ceremony as in the Monitor.
  - a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of the Required Parts.
  - b. Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.
  - c. The ceremony will begin with the Master Councilor's rap (after "When all Officers are at their stations..." appears).
  - d. Salute to flag is that described on source page 156. This includes the joining of the fingers

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e. The official Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States is spoken by all parts except the Senior Deacon.

f. Competing Chapter's name or team name for a multi-chapter team is inserted in blanks appropriate.

2. Nine O'clock

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor, Senior Deacon,

TIME LIMIT: 15 Minutes

**Minimum Score: 800**

### CHEVALIER INVESTITURE SPECIFICS

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Chevalier Investiture, as it appears in the source from [www.demolay.org](http://www.demolay.org)

a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of the Required Parts.

b. Parts are outside the door at the beginning of the ceremony.

c. Procession is not required to stop and/or face station when dropping off officers, but may do so.

d. At the discretion of the team they may elect to use one or more exemplars during their contest. Otherwise the designees will be pantomimed. Regardless of the number of real exemplars the ritual piece shall refer to multiple honorees and the source text may not be altered. There will be 2 designates, who will be pantomimed. Their names are suggested to be John Smith and John Smith. The exemplar will not answer or repeat the obligation.

e. When required, the name of the competing Chapter will be spoken.

f. Psalm 91 may be read from the chaplain's stadium, or a podium on the dais in the east.

g. The Grand Marshal will indicate that he is assisting or directing the designates where appropriate.

h. Kneeling pads are not required.

i. The sample ring is not required, the word symbolically may be inserted.

j. The patents are not required.

k. The cordon and medallion are not required, but the Grand Commander must pantomime placing them around the necks of the designates.

l. Grand Marshal will make all responses for the designates, including "I, John Smith", but will not repeat the Obligation.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. Grand Commander, Commander in the West, Commander in the South, Grand Marshal, Grand Chaplain. Competitors must either be Chevaliers, or designated by DeMolay International to receive the Degree of Chevalier.

2. If designates are imaginary. Parts pantomime designates' existence whenever they are escorted, conducted, addressed, presented.

TIME LIMIT: 40 Minutes

**Minimum Score: 500**

### DeMOLAY DEGREE SPECIFICS

REQUIRED WORK:

1. DeMolay Degree, from 5301 through 6617 without changes.

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- a. Spokesman will inform Panel Chairman that Chapter will follow either Stage Setup or Lodge Setup, and Chapter will be evaluated on the setup selected.
  - b. Instructions not peculiar to one setup apply, regardless of where they appear.
  - c. Room arrangement & paraphernal instructions on SOURCE pages 4, 5 and 6 DO NOT apply.
  - d. At the conclusion of the play, the performers must exit. For a stage setup, lowering the curtain is sufficient.
- a. A creative approach to room arraignments and the orator's speeches are permissible, but must not distract from the tone of the degree. The performances judges will evaluate as appropriate.
3. Stage directions in parentheses in the SOURCE text are suggestions only and are not evaluated.

**REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. Master Inquisitor, Senior Inquisitor, Junior Inquisitor, Orator, Senior Guard, Lord Constable, Marshal of the Commission, Jacques DeMolay, Geoffrey de Charney. The Orator may be performed by one of the other required parts.
2. References to Godfrey de Goneville and Hughes de Peralde may NOT be omitted and their presence will be pantomimed as necessary.
3. Other non-speaking characters are at the Chapter's discretion, however, their actions and any sounds they make will be judged.

TIME LIMIT: 60 Minutes.

**Minimum Score: 500**

### **FLOWER TALK SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Flower Talk, as it appears in the SOURCE, from 8701 through 9124, excluding gray boxes
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.
  - c. Like 8813 the word "just" in the sentence in the phrase "my brothers you have just been permitted" MUST be used.

**REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. The Speaker.
2. There are no candidates.

**Minimum Score: 800**

TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

### **FLOWER TALK WITH MOTHER'S WATCH SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Flower Talk, as it appears in the SOURCE, from 8701 through 9124, excluding gray boxes with the insertion of the Mother's Watch , just before the line "If your mother is living, you will choose a red flower."
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.
  - c. Like 8813 the word "just" in the sentence in the phrase "my brothers you have just been permitted" MUST be used.

**REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. The Speaker.
2. There are no candidates.

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TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

### **MOTHER'S WATCH SOLO CEREMONY**

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Mother's Watch as it appears in the source.
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. The speaker must be a rookie as defined in this document (see Tournament Rules).
2. There are no candidates.

**Minimum Score:** 900

TIME LIMIT: 5 Minutes

### **SHIELD TALK SPECIFICS**

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Shield Talk, as it appears in the SOURCE,
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.
  - c. The Phrase "at this sacred DeMolay altar" must be included.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. The Speaker.

**Minimum Score:** 850

TIME LIMIT: 10 Minutes

### **HISTORICAL TALK SPECIFICS**

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Historical Talk, as it appears in the SOURCE,
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. The Speaker.
2. There are no candidates.
3. Though an option in your jurisdiction, this part may only be performed by one person.

**Minimum Score:** 850

TIME LIMIT: 10 Minutes

### **FATHERS' TALK SPECIFICS**

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Father's Talk, as it appears in the SOURCE excluding the advisor's portion,
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.
  - c. The time of day between "this" and "we honor" shall not be judged.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. The Speaker.
2. There are no candidates.

**Minimum Score:** 850

TIME LIMIT: 10 Minutes

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## **FOURTH SECTION SPECIFICS**

### **REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Fourth Section of the DeMolay Degree shall consist of the Master Councilor's part along with the senior and junior deacon parts. starting 6618 and ending 7226.

a. Excluding the secret work found on 7113-7116 No direction will be judged for this ceremony including raising or lower lights.

b. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of Required Part

(1) Open Holy Bible or other appropriate text is placed upon the Altar.

(2) School Books are placed on the Northeast corner of Altar.

b. Part seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.

The Master Councilor will NOT perform the Senior Councilor's gavel raps, or deacons lines. Nor will he respond for the candidates.

### **REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. Master Councilor,

a. While the ritual permits other people to perform the parts other than the Master Councilor, for the purposes of MATOC that option does not exist.

TIME LIMIT: 20 minutes.

Minimum Score: 900

## **INITIATORY DEGREE SPECIFICS**

### **REQUIRED WORK**

1. Initiatory Degree as it appears in the SOURCE, from 3701 through 5229.

a. Room is set up as on Diagram One.

(1) Open Holy Bible or other appropriate text is placed upon the center of Altar.

(2) School books are lying on Northeast corner of Altar.

(3) Only stations of Required Parts are necessary.

b. Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.

c. Omit instructions for handling large classes.

d. Any Required Part may strike the gong (chime).

e. At the discretion of the team they may elect to use one or more exemplars during their

contest. Otherwise the designees will be pantomimed. Regardless of the number of real exemplars the ritual piece shall refer to multiple candidates and the source text may not altered.

f. The formation and breaking of the Shield must be performed, but their specific directions will not be judged.

g. In saying the Obligation, Master Councilor omits pauses for responses.

h. At the end, when Master Councilor says "Brother Senior Deacon, you will conduct the New Brothers to seats", Senior Deacon and Stewards do so, then go to respective stations. Master Councilor raps once, and all sit down, ending ceremony.

### **REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Senior Steward, Junior Steward, Scribe, Standard Bearer, Marshal, Chaplain, 1 Preceptor, 2 Preceptor, 3 preceptor, 4 Preceptor, 5 Preceptor, 6 Preceptor, 7 Preceptor.

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2. Candidates may be imaginary. If real, Candidates must be Qualified Persons; if imaginary, Parts pantomime Candidates' existence whenever they are escorted, conducted, addressed, presented, or otherwise acknowledged.
  3. The minimum number of competitors for this contest is 8. If any competitor is filling more than one part, then all competitors must have a speaking part. Penalties may be assessed for these substitutions if they detract from the ceremony (i.e. awkward or distracting floorwork) at the discretion of the judging panel.
- TIME LIMIT: 60 minutes  
Minimum score: 500.

### INSTALLATION SERVICE SPECIFICS

#### REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Installation Service, as it appears in the SOURCE, from 9501 through 11509, without changes omitting gray boxes
  - a. Room is set up as on Diagram One.
  - b. Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.
  - c. Competing Chapter's name or team name is inserted in blanks as appropriate.
  - d.. Salute to flag is that described on source page 156. This includes the joining of the fingers
  - e. The Official Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States is spoken by all Parts except Installing Senior Deacon.
  - f. Opening ode and all references to it are omitted (10001-10002.).
  - g. Installing Marshal does NOT read names of Officers.
  - h. The installing officer may omit the questions (10405-10413) to the councilors and the members of the chapter at no penalty. No part will give a response to these questions.
  - i. Installing Marshal inserts a name in each name blank; suggested name: "John Smith".
  - j Installing Officer inserts surname in each name blank; suggested surname: "Smith". Name should be consistent between Marshal and Installing officer.
  - k. When 'Installing Officer leads applause', all Parts applaud.
  - l. When told to conduct Senior Councilor to station, Installing Marshal remains at Altar, pauses briefly, then presents next Officer; same is done with remaining Officers in turn.
  - m. Instructions at 9601 through 9604 do NOT apply to Installing Officer or Installing Marshal.  
Installing Marshal moves to extra chair after declaring Officers installed.
  - n. Installing Chaplain may NOT use the Nine o'clock Interpolation Prayer in place of the closing prayer.

#### REQUIRED PARTS:

1. Installing Officer, Installing Senior Councilor, Installing Junior Councilor, Installing Marshal, Installing Chaplain, Installing Senior Deacon.
2. At the discretion of the team they may elect to use one or more exemplars during their contest. Otherwise the designees will be pantomimed. Regardless of the number of real exemplars the ritual piece shall refer to multiple honorees and the source text may not be altered. TIME LIMIT: 60 Minutes  
**Minimum Score: 600**

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### **MAGNIFICENT SEVEN SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The seven Preceptor parts, as they appear in the SOURCE, from 4816 through 5114, without changes.

a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.

b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

**REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. The Speaker.

2. There are no candidates.

TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

Minimum Score 900

### **MAJORITY SERVICE SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Majority Service, as it appears in the SOURCE in the plural, without changes.

a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of the Required Parts.

(1) Open Holy Bible or other appropriate text is lying on Altar.

(2) School books are lying on Northeast corner of Altar.

b. Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.

**REQUIRED PARTS**

1. Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor, Marshal, Chaplain.

2. At the discretion of the team they may elect to use one or more exemplars during their contest. Otherwise the designees will be pantomimed. Regardless of the number of real exemplars the ritual piece shall refer to multiple honorees and the source text may not be altered.

TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

Minimum Score: 500

### **FUNERAL/MEMORIAL SERVICE SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Funeral/Majority Service, as it appears in the SOURCE

**REQUIRED PARTS**

1. Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor, Senior Deacon, Marshal, Chaplain.

2. No direction shall be judged

TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

Minimum Score: 500

### **ADULT MEMORIAL SERVICE SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Adult Memorial Service, as it appears in the SOURCE in the plural, without changes.

2. The names of the deceased shall not be judged

3. All three types shall be used "Friends, Advisors, Brethren" and "sons and daughters"

3. No direction shall be judged

**REQUIRED PARTS**

1. Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Chaplain.

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Minimum Score: 800

### **NINE O'CLOCK INTERPOLATION SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Nine O'clock Interpolation, as it appears in the SOURCE, from 3105 through 323130, without changes.
  - a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of the Required Parts.
    1. Open Holy Bible or other appropriate text is placed upon the center of Altar.
    2. School books are lying on Northeast corner of Altar.
  - b. Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.
  - c. Striking of the gong is mandatory and may be performed by any Required Part.

**REQUIRED PARTS**

1. Master Councilor, Marshal, Chaplain.

TIME LIMIT: 15 Minutes

**Minimum Score: 750**

### **ORATOR SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The Orator parts, as they appear in the SOURCE, from 561601 through 5720, and from 6606 to 6617 without changes.
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

**REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. The Speaker.
2. There are no candidates.

TIME LIMIT: 15 Minutes

**Minimum Score: 900**

### **PRECEPTOR SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. One Preceptor part, as it appears in the SOURCE, from 4816 through 5114, without changes.
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony, and no room setup is required.
  - b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

**REQUIRED PARTS:**

1. The speaker will perform one Preceptor part of his choice. The speaker must be a rookie as defined in this document (see Tournament Rules).
2. There are no candidates.

TIME LIMIT: 5 Minutes

Minimum Score: 800

### **PRECEPTOR CORPS SPECIFICS**

**REQUIRED WORK:**

1. The seven Preceptor parts, as they appear in the SOURCE, from 4816 through 5114, without changes.
  - a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony.

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b. The Speaker talks to the room at large.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. The seven Preceptor parts.
2. There are no candidates.
3. The minimum number of competitors for this contest is 4.

TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

Minimum Score: 750

### PRECEPTOR TRIO SPECIFICS

REQUIRED WORK:

1. Three Preceptor parts, as they appear in the SOURCE, from 4816 through 5114, without changes. a. No direction will be judged for this ceremony.

b. The Speaker addresses the room at large.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. The Speaker will perform three Preceptors of his choice.
2. There are no candidates.

Minimum Score: 750

TIME LIMIT: 10 Minutes

### REPRESENTATIVE DeMOLAY CEREMONY SPECIFICS

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Representative DeMolay Ceremony, as it appears in the SOURCE

a. Room is set up as on Diagram One, except the only stations necessary are those of the Required Parts.

(1) Open Holy Bible or other appropriate text is lying on Altar.

(2) School books are lying on Northeast corner of Altar.

(3) Gavel is placed on Speaker's pedestal.

(4) Parts are seated in respective stations at beginning of ceremony.

b. The following items may be simulated or the contestant may bring their own

i. A white flower tied with a royal purple ribbon is lying on Speaker's pedestal.

ii. An R. D. lapel pin, an R.D. citation and card are all lying on a separate pedestal just south of the Altar and candle 7.

d. Marshal speaks candidate's name where appropriate; suggested name: "John Smith".

e. At the discretion of the team they may elect to use one or more exemplars during their contest. Otherwise the designees will be pantomimed. Regardless of the number of real exemplars the ritual piece shall refer to multiple honorees and the source text may not be altered.

f. In saying Obligation, Speaker omits pauses for responses.

REQUIRED PARTS:

1. Speaker, Marshal.

2. Parts pantomime Designates existence whenever they are escorted, conducted, addressed, presented or otherwise acknowledged.

TIME LIMIT: 20 Minutes

**Minimum Score: 750**

### ROOKIE OF THE YEAR SPECIFICS

REQUIRED WORK:

1. The Examination Queries and Obligations of the Initiatory and DeMolay Degrees, as they appear in the

SOURCE, from 8301 through 8625

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- a. Speaker may kneel at the Altar or stand on the West side at his discretion. If Speaker stands, he may speak to the room at large at his discretion.
- b. Speaker begins each Degree's Obligation by saying "I" and speaking his name.
- c. In saying Obligations, Speaker omits pauses for responses.
- d. After exchanging syllables for the password, the Speaker repeats the password (just as the Master Councilor and Senior Councilor do in the opening of the Chapter).
- e. Panel Chairman will give all queries to competitor, including the exchange of syllables in the password.

**REQUIRED PARTS**

1. The Speaker. Speaker must be a rookie as defined in this document (see Tournament Rules).

TIME LIMIT: 15 Minutes

**Minimum score: 750**