

Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F&AM

The Book of Constitutions Quiz

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2023 - 2024

Directions: The following questions have been developed to help lodges review their understanding of the **Grand Lodge of Kentucky Book of Constitutions**. Please read each question carefully along with all answer choices before making your selection. List the section of the Constitution required to answer the question in the area beside the answer choices. The article of the Constitution is given to you. If the answer is in the Kentucky Masonic Laws, Ritual, Digest, Standing Resolutions, or Trial Code, you will be instructed to look there for your answer. You must list the letter answer and the section if in one of the other books. Answers must come from the most recent revision of the Books of Constitution. Sections from the most recent revision of the Constitution are printed in **RED**. Only **RED** section numbers will be accepted. The blue sections come from the old Constitution and no longer apply. Entries from previous versions will not be accepted. To satisfy the requirement for the Excellence Award, 18 of 20 questions must be answered correctly to pass.

The answer sheet is a fillable form if you want to enter your answers using the keyboard. Enter your answers, save the file to your computer, and attach it to an email. Answers can be scanned or listed in an email as well. Send your answers to bobby@bobbygriggs.com, and he will grade them as quickly as possible.

If any discrepancies are discovered, please note the issue in an email to Brother [Bobby Griggs](#), Brother [Mark Davis](#), Brother [Jake Vaughn](#), Brother [Conrad Everly](#), or Brother [Mark Stewart](#). We will make every effort to resolve the discrepancy.

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Article 3 – The Grand Lodge of Whom Composed

1. *If the Master, Wardens, or Secretary cannot attend the communication of the Grand Lodge, the lodge will choose a brother to represent the lodge at the Grand Communication by _____?*
 - A. A majority vote of the brothers present at a communication.
 - B. A ballot of the brothers present at a communication.
 - C. Appointing the Treasurer to perform duty.
 - D. Flipping a coin.

Article 6 – Concerning Grand Officers, Elections.

2. *Why is it important for the lodge's representative at the Grand Communication to be in session at 10:00 AM on Tuesday?*
 - A. To eat at a special lunch for delegates prepared by Grand Lodge.
 - B. For a recap of legislation at the Grand Communication.
 - C. For roll call.
 - D. To participate in the election of the Grand Officers.

Article 11(A) – Subordinate Lodges, Powers

3. *If notification of amended bylaws is communicated to the membership via the Masonic Home Journal, when must a vote take place on the proposed bylaws?*
 - A. At any communication during the month following publication in the Masonic Home Journal.
 - B. Notification of membership is not required.
 - C. Within three months of publication in the Masonic Home Journal.
 - D. During the next stated communication in the month following publication in the Masonic Home Journal.

Article 11(B) – Elections, Lodge Officers

4. *Every lodge, except a Lodge of Research, is required to have an Annual Communication for the purpose of electing officers during _____?*
 - A. The month of November.
 - B. The month of November or December.
 - C. The month of December.
 - D. The month of January.

Article 11(B) – Elections, Lodge Officers

5. *Is a proficiency certificate required before election to become Master of a lodge.*
 - A. Yes, proficiency is required to be elected to become Master of a lodge.
 - B. No, only the Master is required to have a proficiency certificate.
 - C. No, a Warden does not need to be proficient if he knows how to cook.
 - D. Yes, a Master needs to be proficient at recording minutes.

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Article 11 (B) – Elections, Lodge Officers

6. *If a Warden is elected and installed as a Warden of lodge and is not proficient, how long is the grace period for earning proficiency?*
- A. 1 month from the date of installation.
 - B. 6 months from the date of installation.
 - C. 6 months from the date of election.
 - D. 3 months from the date of election.

Article 11 (B) – Elections, Lodge Officers

7. *What process is required for a lodge to remove an elected officer other than the Master or Secretary from office?*
- A. By majority vote of the brothers present at a stated communication.
 - B. By two-thirds vote of members present in accordance with Article 11, Section 5 of the Book of Constitutions.
 - C. By unanimous ballot of members present at a stated communication.
 - D. The Master may remove any officer from office.

Article 11(B) – Elections, Lodge Officers

8. *Which officers are required to be nominated and elected by ballot in accordance with the Constitution?*
- A. The Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon, and Junior Deacon.
 - B. The Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Secretary, and Tiler.
 - C. The Master, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Secretary, and Treasurer.
 - D. The Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Article 11(B) – Elections, Lodge Officers

9. *In the eventuality of a vacancy of an appointed officer, the Master will _____?*
- A. Schedule a called communication to elect a replacement.
 - B. Elect a replacement at the next stated communication.
 - C. At the next stated communication, the Master will appoint a replacement without notice to the membership.
 - D. At the next stated communication, the Master will appoint a replacement after receiving approval from the membership.

Article 11(C) – Duties of Lodge Officers

10. *One duty of the Master is _____?*
- A. To receive all money of the lodge from the Secretary.
 - B. To see that the bylaws and resolutions of his lodge are observed.
 - C. To have charge of the seal of the lodge.
 - D. To promptly transmit to the Grand Secretary copies of all bylaws of the lodge.

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Article 11(C) – Duties of Lodge Officers

11. *The duties of the Wardens are to _____?*
- A. To call communications of the lodge as provided in Article 12, Section 7.
 - B. To accommodate visiting brethren and guests.
 - C. To see that monthly reports are promptly made to the Grand Lodge.
 - D. To assist the Master in the discharge of his duties.

Article 11(C) – Duties of Lodge Officers

12. *One duty of the Secretary is to _____?*
- A. To promptly transmit copies of all bylaws and amendments to the Grand Secretary.
 - B. To see that the bylaws are observed.
 - C. To receive all money from the hands of the Treasurer.
 - D. To ensure that the lodge is represented at the Grand Communication.

Article 12 – Lodge Communications

13. *What penalty may occur for failure to hold a stated communications?*
- A. The Grand Secretary is authorized to arrest the charter of the lodge.
 - B. The Grand Master, or his authorized representative, is authorized to arrest the charter of the lodge.
 - C. The Master will lose his proficiency.
 - D. The Grand Master will have lunch.

Article 12 – Lodge Communications

14. *When a District Meeting or Educational Conference falls on the same day as the stated communication, _____?*
- A. The event will be considered in lieu of the stated communication provided that the Master and three of the remaining elected officers attend.
 - B. The Master will move the stated communication to another date.
 - C. The event will be considered in lieu of the stated communication provided that the Master attends.
 - D. The event will be considered in lieu of the stated communication provided lunch is provided.

Article 12 -Lodge Communications

15. *All lodge business shall be done _____?*
- A. On the degree voted on by the lodge.
 - B. All lodge business shall be done in a lodge Master Masons, except work of the first and second degrees, proficiency examinations and approval of the first and second degree, the trial of Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts, and Funerals.
 - C. All lodge business shall be done in a lodge of Entered Apprentices, except work of the second and third degrees.
 - D. All lodge business shall be done in a lodge of Fellow Craft Masons, except work of the first and third degrees.

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Article 12 - Lodge Dues/ Audit

16. *When the Master is absent, the _____ will perform his duties?*
- A. The Senior Warden.
 - B. The Junior Past Master.
 - C. A visiting Master from another lodge in the same district.
 - D. The Secretary will perform his duties and assign another brother to record the minutes.

Article 13 – Burial

17. *When a Masonic burial is finished, the Master may _____?*
- A. Open the lodge for other business.
 - B. Close the casket.
 - C. Order that the lodge suspend the brother.
 - D. Close the lodge, at his discretion, at the funeral home, Church, or residence.

Article 15(B) – Petition for Membership

18. *If a brother does not want to ballot a petition, he can be excused from voting by _____?*
- A. The Senior Deacon.
 - B. Order of the Master of the Lodge.
 - C. By a majority of the brothers present.
 - D. By a three-fourths majority of the brothers present.

Article 20 – Lodge Dues/Audit

19. *If a brother requests assistance with his dues, the dues can be remitted by _____?*
- A. By three-fourths of the members present at any stated communication.
 - B. Order of the Master of the lodge after he has confirmed that the brother is in need.
 - C. By the Secretary after the he has confirmed that the brother is in need.
 - D. By order of the Grand Master or any elected Grand Lodge officer.

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20. *If the lodge is opened on a lesser degree for the purpose of degree work, the lodge does _____?*
- A. Does not need to be closed since it is open on a higher degree.
 - B. Must be closed on that degree before it returns to labor on the higher degree.
 - C. Must be called to refreshment to return to the higher degree.
 - D. Be ordered closed by the Secretary of the lodge.