RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR PRIVATE SOCIAL QUARTERS OPERATION

1. All active members of the Order shall be admitted to the social quarters. (Unless suspended according to the rules of the Order.)

2. Only the following persons may be admitted as a “qualified guest:”
   a. An active lodge or chapter member’s spouse; (No limit on the number of times a spouse may be admitted as a guest.)
   b. An active lodge or chapter member’s immediate family; (No limits on number of times for family under the age of 21. Family members over the age of 21 qualify as prospective members.)
   c. A prospective member of the lodge or chapter accompanied by his or her sponsor.
   d. A prospective member’s third visit must be for attending an orientation or enrollment into the Order. (This includes family over the age of 21.)

3. All guests and the introducing member shall enroll their names in the lodge guest register.

4. Family members, friends and prospective members MUST leave when the member leaves.

5. Only active members of the lodge and chapter are permitted to make purchases or spend any money. Members in arrears may not enter any lodge except to pay their dues. Non-member spouses may not make purchases. Approved applicants for membership, prior to enrollment and becoming a member, cannot make purchases.

6. Every member shall submit his or her membership card upon demand of the House Committee or any authorized social quarters employee.

7. All non-members shall be identified in some manner to distinguish them as guests.

8. Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests. A lodge member may be dropped from the roles for failure to pay restitution for property damaged or removed by the member or his guest.

9. The admission of minors into the social quarters shall be according to guidelines established by the House Committee in accordance with local laws.

10. Orderly behavior is required of all persons in the social quarters, and at all other times while on lodge property or during any Moose sponsored social activity. Loud, profane and obscene language is absolutely prohibited.

11. No person(s) in a state of intoxication shall be admitted or allowed to remain in the social quarters. The bartender is authorized to refuse service to anyone in a state of intoxication. (The House Committee may prevent admission of any undesirable individual pending a hearing.)

12. The social quarters shall not be used for any event involving non-members unless a dispensation is received from the General Governor 30 days prior to the event.

13. Social quarters hours shall be established by the House Committee. It is unlawful for any member(s) to be present in the social quarters during the hours it is closed. The social quarters shall immediately close if disruptive to any official lodge or chapter meeting.

14. A dress code shall be established by the House Committee. It is unlawful for anyone to remain in the social quarters in violation of this code.

15. The use of any tobacco product or smoking device is strictly prohibited in the social quarters or lodge home.

16. The use of all cannabis products is strictly prohibited in the social quarters or lodge property.

17. Any member(s), other than a law enforcement officer in the line of duty, having firearms or other lethal weapons on, or in his possession in the lodge home, shall be expelled from the Order, unless the weapon involves a sporting event or other activity approved by the General Governor. This does not apply to legal weapons which at all times remain in locked vehicles and are not in violation of any law, rule, regulation or ordinance.

18. It shall be the duty of the House Committee and its authorized employees to strictly enforce these rules. (The House Committee may prevent admission of any undesirable individual pending a hearing.)

Any member(s) violating these rules may be removed from the premises and denied social privileges until reinstated by the House Committee. Any member(s) charged with violations of these rules and regulations shall be entitled to a hearing before the House Committee.

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