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General Instructions

The Ritual of Secret Work of the Order of DeMolay is the official standard for all ceremonial work of the Order. It presumes the existence of ideal conditions for the presentation of the work. In those instances in which the chapter room or meeting hall impose physical limitations, the Chapter may make necessary adjustments, as long as they adhere as closely as possible to the official standard, and make any deviations from the standard known to the judges prior to beginning their competition in that event.

All DeMolays, Chapters, and advisors are reminded that a full officer corps is the best and proper manner in which to confer all degrees and present all Ritual work of the Order. A reduced officers corps was never intended to replace a full corps. All chapters are encouraged to work toward the complete ritual.

Room Arrangements and Paraphernalia

Room Arrangement: The Altar, the councilor's seats and pedestal, the stations of the Officers and the chairs for the members to be arranged as shown in Diagram One or as close to that arrangement as the circumstances of the room permit. For example: some chapters may find it necessary to place 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Preceptors on the south side of the room and the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th Preceptors on the north side. If the door through which most Officers, members, and others normally enter the chapter room is not located at point indicated as "A" on diagram one, the Junior Deacon and Sentinel would necessarily be relocated to that door to enable them to control access.

Required Paraphernalia: A Chapter room should be furnished with the following paraphernalia: Crown of Youth with seven detachable jewels, two gavels, seven candlesticks with candles, Bible, Bible marker, Altar cloth, school books, national flag in stand, and gong.

Optional Items: Flowers, Chapter banner, and baton for Marshal.

Candles: The candles should be arranged about and to the East of the Altar as shown in diagram one.

Flag and Banner: The national flag and the Chapter banner when displayed should be placed in stands at the positions shown in diagram one.

Gavels: A gavel should be placed on the pedestal at the stations of the Master Councilor and Senior Councilor.

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Altar: The Holy Bible and schoolbooks must be placed on the Altar. An Altar cloth and Bible marker should also be used.

Prior to the entrance of the Officers, the closed Holy Bible should be lying near the center of the Altar and the schoolbooks should be at the Junior Steward's station. If flowers are used, they should be placed around the Holy Bible, but not on it. The DeMolay emblem on the Bible marker should be toward the West side of the Altar, whether the Bible is open or closed. If there is a DeMolay emblem on the Altar cloth, it should be on the West side.

Robes: The uniform robe adopted by the International Supreme Council for use by Chapter officers is a black robe lined in red and with the DeMolay emblem on the wearer's right breast. The Tournament of Champions recognizes that many chapters have traditionally used colored robes to designate various offices, these robes will be allowed for the Councilors, Orator, and Chaplain without penalty.

Pronunciations and Definitions. Appendix A contains a brief dictionary of work used in DeMolay ceremonies, including pronunciations. DeMolay members preparing for a ritual part should consult Appendix A for a thorough understanding of the meanings of the words and correct pronunciations so they may more effectively teach the lessons of the degrees.

Music: The use of Music in all DeMolay Ritual work is strongly recommended. Throughout the text, blanks for the entry of suggested music are provided. See the Competitive for more specific directions on the use of music.

Diagrams and Figures: Appendix B contains diagrams showing the Chapter room set-up, positions of the Officers, letter designations used in describing floor movements, and a series of photographs of the correct way to give signs, etc.

Conduct in the Chapter Room

Floor Movements: After the Master Councilor has called the Chapter to order, no one shall between the Altar and the East except when the Ritual expressly requires it.

All floor movements should be made in a clockwise direction except when specifically noted otherwise. The shaded area on Diagram One represents a walking band which is always wide enough for two Officers to walk side by side. All officer's movements about the chapter room are directed by the letters on Diagram One. "S" is the station of the Officer(s) being directed. "Z" is the point on the walking band nearest the station of the officer(s) being directed.

An officer directed to move X Z moves directly forward from his station to the walking band, except the Councilors, Scribe, and Treasurer will move by the most direct route to the walking band, but around the pedestals or desks in their paths. An officer directed to move Z X returns to his station by retracing his X Z route.

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Floor movement Examples: Movements of the Chaplain and Marshal from their station by way of the South to the West side of the Altar would be noted thus. Ch and Mar move X Z I J. their return from West side of the Altar by way of the North to their stations, would be noted Ch. And Mar. move J K V Z X.

Recognition: When a person wishes to be recognized by the Master Councilor, he should rise, face the Master councilor, and remain silent until he is recognized. When a person is addressed by the Master Councilor by name, or an office title, he shall rise immediately and face the Master Councilor. No other salute or any kind is to be given to the Master Councilor. Except during prayers, all Officers (including the Master Councilor) and all other persons stand when speaking.

Gavel Raps: Except when the Ritual expressly requires otherwise, when a gavel is rapped once, all officers standing at stations and all others standing will go to appropriate seats and sit down, when rapped twice, all officers sitting will stand, when rapped three, all persons sitting will stand.

Marshal Conducts: When the Marshal conducts an officer or any other person, he shall use his right arm and hand to take hold of the officer's or person's left forearm and wrist as shown in figure 6. The Marshal may carry a baton. If he does so, one end of the baton should be in his left hand; the other end should be tucked under his left arm. These instructions do not apply to the Marshal of the Commission in the DeMolay Degree. "Conduct" in that degree may mean escort or accompany.

Prayers: During prayers, all Active DeMolays (except the Chaplain and Marshal) kneel facing the Altar. An active DeMolay kneels on his left knee, his right elbow resting on his forehead resting in his right hand as shown, his left hand around his right elbow (See figure 4). The Chaplain kneels at the Altar on both knees, both palms down on the Holy Bible, body erect, and head slightly turned up, eyes may be opened or closed. (See Fig 5). The Marshal, all Senior DeMolays, Advisors, and all Master Masons (who are not active DeMolays) remain standing and facing the Altar. Active DeMolays kneel and rise in unison with the Chaplain. Special rules are set forth for tow officers. The Marshal and the Standard Bearer, in particular instances: (1) the Marshal in the formation of the triangle kneels with the other officers. If the Marshal is carrying a baton, he kneels placing the baton across his right leg, behind his right elbow; (2) the Standard Bearer does not kneel during the prayer in the Initiatory Degree opening ceremony.

At the close of prayers and before rising, Active DeMolays respond "Amen", except after the Nine O'clock Interpolation prayer, when they respond "God Bless mother, God Bless father, God Bless the purposes of DeMolay. Amen"

Forms of Address: An active DeMolay who is not an officer of the Chapter is addressed by the title "Brother" followed by his last name. An officer of the Chapter is addressed by the title "Brother" followed by the title of his office. An advisor is addressed by the title Dad followed by his last name. A Senior DeMolay who is an advisor is addressed by

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the title "Brother" followed by his last name. A Maser Mason who is not an advisor is addressed by the title "Mister" followed by his last name.

Parts: Any Active DeMolay who is qualified to hold office in the Chapter may perform the part of Master Councilor in the competition, the part does not necessarily have to be performed by the regularly installed Master Councilor.

Competitive Rules for the Associated DeMolay Chapters of Georgia

General Rules

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1. Participating members of the degree team shall prepare the room, complete the degree or ceremony and clear the room within the time limit.
2. There should be no interruptions during the competition. Interruptions may result in penalties against the interrupter's chapter score and/or personal scores.
3. Participants must fill the required parts and any other parts with qualified persons. "Qualified" includes but may not be limited to ensuring that competitors are active DeMolays. DeMolays performing speaking parts in any competition must have an obligation proficiency (queries) card.
4. Participating members of the degree team shall be clothed appropriately.
5. Participating members of the degree team shall comply fully and correctly with all rules, specifics, contest procedures and Judges' rulings.
6. Participating members of the degree team shall present the complete and correct parts required, as documented in the edition of the Ritual of DeMolay or Monitor of Public Ceremonies designed to govern that specific competition.
7. Participating members of the degree team shall fully and correctly follow all specific instructions from the edition of the authorized Ritual of DeMolay or Monitor of Public Ceremonies and/or the judges evaluation that specific competition.
8. Participating members of the degree team shall correctly and audibly say the words and the sounds of the ceremony from memory, without prompts.
9. Participating members of the degree team shall deliver the words with expression appropriate to the ceremony or part.
10. Participating members of the degree team shall interpret and present the ceremony so as to achieve the maximum good impression. Latitude will be given to all interpretations of the work, so long as such interpretations are, in the Judges' opinion, logical and in good taste. Failure to do so will be subject to penalty.
11. Competitors in the Individual and/or Team events competing without opposition must have a minimum of 80% of the total points available in order to qualify to receive an award.

Specifics in all Contests

1. The following items should be used when employed in the ceremony, items so employed should be actual, and their use must conform to General Instructions: candles, candlesticks, national flag, Crown of Youth and seven detachable jewels, Altar Cloth, Bible Marker, Flowers, and Robes.

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2. The definition of “Conduct” for the Marshal is only for he and his counterpart, and does not apply to “Marshal of the Commission” in the DeMolay Degree.
3. When the Ritual of DeMolay or Monitor of Public Ceremonies implies, officers may pass between the Altar and the East without an expressed requirement to do so.
4. All other General Instructions pertinent to the ceremony apply except as noted in specifics or as counter instructed in the ceremony's text.
5. Use of music during competition is at the Chapter's option. A bonus of up to 50 points may be awarded for each event for the excellent usage of music, except for Preceptor parts and Rookie of the Year. The playing of music must be done by a team member in an unobtrusive manner. If an active member of the competitive team is performing the music cues, the judges should be notified in advance of any deviation from the ceremony required for this team member to properly perform the music cues. The music cues may be performed by another qualified member of the chapter(s) who is not an active member of the competitive team. The judges should be notified of his participation in the competition. Music cues may not be performed by an advisor. Music cues must be performed from memory. The use of music which detracts from the ceremony or which hinders the judges’ ability to hear any parts of the ceremony may result in penalties.
6. One Judge shall be assigned to each of the major judging categories— Direction, Performance, and Ritual. The Flower Talk and other such individual competitions will be judged only for Performance and Ritual. Due to the fact that reproduction of the Ritual work will accompany the judging sheets, only an advisor of a Chapter may pick up the Chapter's sheets.
7. Viewing of the competitions will be allowed within the capacity of the facilities. No one may enter or leave the area of competition or interfere in any way with the competition once the event is underway. No use of tobacco, food, or drink is permitted in the competition room during the competition. There is to be no talking, gesturing, or any other conduct which may be construed by the judges to be a prompt to team members competing. Violation of good conduct while the competition is under way will result in that member's chapter, at the discretion of the Executive Officer or Tournament Director, to lose the right to all prizes resulting from the tournament. Other penalties may also be appropriately imposed by the Executive Officer. **Spectators will not respond to gavel raps, etc.**
8. Candidates are not required and may be pantomimed. The use of hoodwinks is optional. Live candidates are encouraged, but are not required for the team or individual competitions.
9. Scoring shall be on a subtraction basis, with each competitor starting with 1,000 points. Penalties shall be assessed for each error as prescribed in the judging section of these rules. The specific points available for each area of judging is given below the specifics for each competition.
10. An arbitrator(s) appointed by the Executive Officer will arbitrate any protest. This board will be appointed in advance of the tournament and will be announced during the opening session. Scores will not be revealed to anyone

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other than the director of the team (Chapter Dad or his designee). Protests will be made only by the Chapter Dad or his designee. This assumes that the point in dispute is not one specifically covered by these rules and is not the judges' province to resolve. Appeals must be filed within one hour of the scoring sheets being received in the central office (location of the central office will be made known to all chapter dads) and notification of the chapter dad that the score sheet has arrived in the office.

11. A DeMolay may be a member of only one team in any specific event -i.e.- A DeMolay may only belong to one Initiatory Degree team, etc.
12. No one part in any competition may be filled by more than one competitor.
13. Team events may be performed by single or dual chapters by submitting the appropriate entry form. Single Chapter entries consist of all participants from one chapter. Dual Chapter entries may consist of no more than two chapters constituted as a team for a single event. A Chapter participating under the rules of a Single entry may not participate in the same event in a Dual Competition. Nor can Chapters participating in Dual Competition participate in Single competition. The chapter whose name appears First on the Dual Chapter entry shall be eligible for any award issued, although certificates will be issued to both chapters.
14. Competitive events not carried in the Ritual of DeMolay or the Monitor or Public Ceremonies will be considered exhibition events and will not qualify for awards of the same stature as officially sanctioned ceremonies.

Sources:

- Closed Ceremonies -- Ritual of Secret Work of the Order of DeMolay, Corrected fourteenth edition, 1997
- Public Ceremonies-- Monitor of Public Ceremonies, <http://universe.demolay.org/ceremonies/>
- Exhibition Ceremonies -- Tournament of Champions Handbook issued by Georgia DeMolay 1996
- Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, for pronunciation of words not listed in the glossary.

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Chapter Proficiency

Required Work: (all to be performed without amplification or rearrangement)

1. Initiatory Degree Opening Ceremony, starting with the Marshal's entrance into the Chapter Room, followed by the formation of the triangle and officers taking stations. DeMolay degree opening ceremony.
 - A. Room is set up as in diagram one
 - B. Omit actions and lines raising, vouching for and/or welcoming Masons or Senior DeMolays
 - C. Omit actions and lines raising and administering Oath of Secrecy
 - D. Omit actions concerning lost words
 - E. Omit Opening Ode and all reference to it.
 - F. The "Word of the Day" is "Ritual"
 - G. Words and Grips are collected from all floor officers.
 - H. Salute to the Flag is as described in the Ritual of DeMolay.
 - I. The Official Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States is spoken all officers except the Standard Bearer.
 - J. The competing Chapter's name and sponsoring body is inserted in blanks where appropriate.
2. Nine O'clock Interpolation
3. Closing Ceremony
 - A. The closing prayer is that in the text; Nine O'clock interpolation **may not be used instead**
 - B. The closing ceremony includes the officers reforming the triangle and the officers retiring from the triangle and Chapter room.
 - C. As the last officer passes out the door, the ceremony ends.

Scoring shall be follows:

- A. Direction - 300 Points
- B. Performance - 400 Points
- C. Ritual - 300 Points
- D. Total Points Availble 1000

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Required Parts:

Teams shall be composed of 8 persons minimum. A credit of (10) ten points will be awarded for the first 3 members of a team over the 8 member minimum, and 5 points for each officer above that for maximum of 22 officers (maximum of 85 points).

Required Officers (8 member team / 0 bonus points)

- Master Councilor
- Senior Councilor
- Junior Councilor
- Senior Deacon / Standard Bearer
- Junior Deacon / Sentinel
- Senior Steward / Junior Steward
- Chaplain
- Marshal

Required Officers (9 member team / 10 bonus points)

- Master Councilor
- Senior Councilor
- Junior Councilor
- Senior Deacon / Standard Bearer
- Junior Deacon / Sentinel
- Senior Steward
- Junior Steward
- Chaplain
- Marshal

Required Officers (10 member team / 20 bonus points)

- Master Councilor
- Senior Councilor
- Junior Councilor
- Senior Deacon / Standard Bearer
- Junior Deacon
- Sentinel
- Senior Steward
- Junior Steward
- Chaplain
- Marshal

Required Officers (11 or more member team / 30 bonus points plus 5 for each additional officer over 11)

- Master Councilor
- Senior Councilor
- Junior Councilor
- Senior Deacon
- Standard Bearer
- Junior Deacon

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- Sentinel
- Senior Steward
- Junior Steward
- Chaplain
- Marshal

Time Limit:

- 40 Minutes
- Time begins when a designated team member advises the judges to start the clock.
- Time ends when the designated team member advises the judges to stop the clock, or when the allotted time for that chapter's competition expires.

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Initiatory Degree

Required Work

1. Set-up
 - A. Room is set up as in diagram one
 - B. Open Holy Bible is lying near the center of the Altar
 - C. School Books are lying on northeast corner of the Altar
 - D. "Head Candle" is candlestick nearest East in diagram one
 - E. Participants are seated in respective stations at the beginning of the ceremony

2. Initiatory Degree (to be performed without amplification or rearrangement)
 - A. Omit instructions for handling large classes
 - B. Senior Steward or each candidate, if used, makes all verbal responses for candidates including: "I" and speaking name, but does not repeat obligation.
 - C. In saying obligation, Master Councilor omits pauses for responses if live candidate is not used.
 - D. Each Preceptor rises as the Senior Deacon passes him. Each Preceptor is to sit when the next preceptor rises. Seventh preceptor sits when the Senior Deacon passes First Preceptor on his way to the Junior Councilor.
Note: The alternate form for the presentation of the preceptor is permissible, without penalty, as described on page 46 of the Ritual of DeMolay.
 - E. At the end, the Master councilor says "Brother Senior Deacon, you will conduct the new Brothers to seats", the Senior Deacon and Stewards do so, then go to their respective stations and remain standing.
 - F. Immediately after, the Master Councilor raps once, ending the ceremony.

Scoring Shall be as follows:

- A. Direction - 300 Points
- B. Performance - 400 Points
- C. Ritual - 300 Points
- D. Total Points Available 1000

Required parts:

Teams shall be composed of 8 persons minimum. **If fewer than 16 officers are available, the alternate form symbolic journey must be used. See pages 46-47 of the Ritual of Secret Work for more information. The judges must be notified of the option that is to be used by the team in advance of competition. Preceptor parts must be performed by seven separate officers. The same person may not perform more than one Preceptor part.** A credit of 10 bonus points will be given for the first three persons over the 8 person minimum, provided they are filled in

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the order prescribed herein. An additional credit of five (5) points will be given for each person over the 11 member team to a maximum of 22 officers (maximum of 85 points). Any additional officers will be expected to perform that officer's part completely as per Ritual. Substitutions must be done in an unobtrusive manner and not interfere with the presentation of the degree.

Required Officers (8 member team / 0 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled

Required Officers (9 member team / 10 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled

Required Officers (10 member team / 20 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (11 member team / 30 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled

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- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (12 member team / 35 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (13 member team / 40 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (14 member team / 45 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
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- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (15 member team / 50 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Any Preceptor
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- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (15 member team / 55 bonus points / alternate form required)

- Master Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Councilor / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Junior Deacon / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Senior Steward / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Marshal / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Scribe / one Preceptor that is not already filled
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor
- Any Preceptor

Required Officers (16 or more member team / 60 bonus points plus 5 for each additional officer over 16)

- Master Councilor
- Senior Councilor
- Junior Councilor
- Senior Deacon
- Junior Steward
- Junior Deacon
- Senior Steward
- Marshal
- Scribe

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- 1st Preceptor
- 2nd Preceptor
- 3rd Preceptor
- 4th Preceptor
- 5th Preceptor
- 6th Preceptor
- 7th Preceptor

Time Limit:

- 60 minutes
- Time begins when a designated team member advises the judges to start the clock.
- Time ends when the designated team member advises the judges to stop the clock, or when the allotted time for that chapter's competition expires.

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DeMolay Degree

Required Work:

1. DeMolay Degree First Section (to be performed without amplification or rearrangement).
 - A. Spokesman will inform the judges that the chapter will follow either the stage set-up or Lodge set-up, and the Chapter will be judged on the set-up selected.
 - B. Instructions not peculiar to one set-up apply, regardless of where they appear
2. Second section is optional
3. Third section. Only the Orator's lines are required. The second of the two suggested scenes in the third section (page 63 of the Ritual of DeMolay) if preferred in the interest of time, however either option may be performed without penalty for the selection of that option.

Scoring shall be as follows:

- A. Direction - 300 points
- B. Performance - 400 Points
- C. Ritual - 300 Points
- D. Total points available - 1000 Points

Required Parts:

Candlelighter and Orator, (both of whom may double in other parts), 3 Inquisitors, Marshal of the Commission, Senior Guard, Jacques DeMolay, Lord Constable, and Guy of Auvergne for a total of 8. A credit of five (5) points will be given for each person over the 8 member team to a maximum of 18 people and a maximum of 50 points. When extra persons are used it is expected that they participate and contribute to the overall performance of the degree

Time Limit:

- 60 Minutes
- Time begins when the designated "starter" advises the judges to start the clock
- Time ends when the designated "starter" advises the judges to stop the clock, or when the allotted time for the chapter's competition expires.

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DeMolay Degree, Fourth Section

Required Work:

1. The Fourth Section of the DeMolay Degree, actions and lines of the Master Councilor, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, and any Candidate only.
 - A. Room is set-up as in diagram one, except the only stations necessary are those of the requires parts
 - B. Open Holy Bible is lying near the center of the Altar. School Books are lying on the Northeast corner of the Altar.
 - C. Participants are seated at their respective Stations at the beginning of the Ceremony
 - D. Just before the Obligation, the Master Councilor goes to the East side of the Altar, faces West, Junior Deacon joins Senior Deacon on the West side of the Altar.
 - E. If live candidates are used, follow instructions per Ritual.
 - F. If live candidates are not used, Senior Deacon makes all verbal responses for the candidates, including "I" and speaking name, but does not repeat the obligation. Master Councilor omits pauses for candidates responses

Scoring shall be as follows:

- A. Direction - 300 Points
- B. Performance - 400 Points
- C. Ritual - 300 Points
- D. Total Points available - 1000 Points

Required parts:

Teams should be composed of a minimum of three (3) persons consisting of the Master Councilor and Deacons. A credit of two (2) points will be given for each person over the 3 member team to maximum of 22 officers (maximum 38 points). If extra officers are used it is expected that they will participate in the degree, whether floor directions or spoken work as per Ritual.