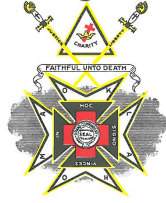


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GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 1, SERIES 2023-2024

To: The Officers of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma, The Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma, and all Officers and Sir Knights of the Constituent Commanderies of Knights Templar of Oklahoma and to Whomever it May Concern

This General Order clarifies the permission to use ritual books during inspections.

1. For those commanderies intending to stand full inspection, with or without live candidates, the use of ritual books will not be allowed, but the use of a prompter is acceptable. If ritual books or note cards are used, it will be reflected in the grade given during the inspection.
2. For those Commanderies intending to open, receive the Grand Officers, and close, you will be required to go through the motions of conferring the Order of the Temple. The use of ritual books is allowed, but no candidates will be allowed to participate in these ceremonies.

This Order is to enable Commanderies that are having problems standing inspection, to show they are in fact trying to improve their Commandery. The OICs will attend as many of the practices possible to aid the Sir Knights in attaining proficiency. Commanders, who can do the work without the use of the ritual book or notes, will be considered for the Past Commanders Association even when other Officers have had to use their books or notes.

This General Order shall be read at the head of the lines in each Constituent Commandery at the first Stated Conclave after receipt.

Sir Knight John E. King
Right Eminent Grand Commander

Attest:

Sir Knight Jon B. Greene
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