

**RULE 21.**—Any brother may excuse himself from serving on a committee, if, at the time of his appointment, he is a member of two other committees. No brother can be appointed on a committee when absent from the Lodge.

**RULE 22.**—The first brother named on a Committee shall act as Chairman, until another is chosen by the members of the committee. The mover of a resolution referred to a special committee is usually the first named thereon.

**RULE 23.**—No committee can be finally discharged until all the debts contracted by it have been paid.

**RULE 24.**—A motion to close is always in order after the regular business is concluded, which motion shall be decided without debate.

**RULE 25.**—These Rules of Order may be altered or amended after one week's notice in writing being given, specifying the proposed alteration or amendment, but any one of them, or any clause thereof, may be suspended for the time being by a vote of two-thirds of all present.

**RULE 26** —Brothers, not members of this Lodge, may address the Lodge on receiving permission to that effect from the presiding officer.