

All the foregoing must be free white persons, of good moral character, and believe in a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe. Provided, that the applicant is a resident of the Province of British Columbia. The name of any person qualified as above offered for membership, with his or her age, residence and occupation, must be proposed by a member in writing, signed by the applicant, with the names of two persons as references attached, and entered upon the record. If the applicant be an Odd Fellow, or the relative of an Odd Fellow, the application must be accompanied by a certificate of such Odd Fellow's good standing in his Subordinate Lodge, under its seal, and signed by its Secretary. Such proposition shall be referred to a committee of three members for investigation, who shall report at the next regular meeting (unless further time be granted), when the candidate shall be balloted for with ball ballots, and if no more than two black balls shall appear, the candidate shall be declared elected; but if more than two black balls appear, the candidate shall be deemed rejected. Should black balls appear, the Lodge may, by a majority vote, immediately retake the ballot, in order to verify the fact that black balls were, or were not,