

and residence of applicant, signed by him and containing the names of two Patriarchs as references, and said application shall be accompanied by a certificate from the subordinate lodge of which he is a member as to his standing in said lodge. The application shall be entered upon the records and a committee of three Patriarchs appointed for investigation, and to report at the next regular meeting of the Encampment, when the applicant shall be balloted for with ball ballots; if more than two black balls appear, the applicant shall be declared rejected, but if less than three black balls appear, he shall be declared elected. (unless the balloting shall be postponed by vote of the Encampment). No re-consideration of an adverse ballot can be had unless all the members who put in black balls shall move for a re-consideration, when, if two-thirds of the members present vote in favor of such re-consideration, the motion shall be declared carried, and the said applicant shall be balloted for at the next regular meeting, when, if more than one black ball appears, he shall be declared rejected, and no further re-consideration shall for any reasons be had. An applicant rejected for membership in this Encampment shall not be eligible to membership in any Encampment for the space of six months.

Sec. 3. Applications for membership shall be made to the Subordinate Encampment nearest the place of residence of the applicant, except in a city or town in which there are more than one Encampment, in which case he may apply to either.

Sec. 4. A Patriarch of the Order wishing to join this Encampment shall present his written application, together with his card, from the Encampment of which he was a member, and said application shall be referred to an investigating committee, who shall report to the Encampment when the application shall be balloted for, unless laid over by a two-thirds vote, and on being admitted, shall pay the sum of not less than one dollar for each degree he has attained.