
RULES OF ORDER

FOR

SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS

SECTION 1. The time of opening an Encampment at its stated meetings shall be at such hours as may be determined by resolution or By-Law.

SEC. 2. When the C. P. takes the chair, the officers and members shall take their respective seats.

SEC. 3. The C. P. shall preserve order and decorum, and pronounce the decision of the Encampment on all subjects; he may speak to points of order, rising from his seat for that purpose; he shall decide questions of order without debate, unless entertaining doubts on that point, subject to an appeal to the Encampment by any two Patriarchs, on which appeal no Patriarch shall speak more than once.

SEC. 4. No Patriarch shall disturb another in his speech, unless to call him to order; nor when a member is speaking, pass between him and the chair, or leave the hall.

SEC. 5. Every member, when he speaks, shall rise and respectfully address the chair. Members speaking shall confine themselves to the question under debate, and avoid all personalities, indecorous and sarcastic language, as well as any reflection upon the Encampment or its members.

SEC. 6. If two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the C. P. shall decide which is entitled to the floor.

SEC. 7. No member shall speak more than once on the same subject or question until all the members wishing to speak shall have had an opportunity to do so; nor more than twice without permission of the chair.

SEC. 8. If a member, while speaking, be called to order by the chair, he shall cease speaking and take his seat until the question of order is determined and permission given him to proceed.