

# INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF FREEMASONRY FOR MEN AND WOMEN LE DROIT HUMAIN - AMERICAN FEDERATION

This questionnaire is confidential. It must be filled in and signed by the applicant. Please return the questionnaire to the Master of Worshipful Lodge Lodge Free Thinkers No. 2114 Orient of Portland, Oregon .

#### **DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES**

The International Order of Freemasonry for Men and Women, Le Droit Humain, is heir to the ancient Masonic traditions whose wise principles, moral force and discipline it has maintained. The principles and methods of work adopted by the Order are based on the Constitution drawn up by the International Masonic Congress held at Lausanne in September 1875 with changes allowing the admission of women.

Le Droit Humain is founded on the principles of freedom of conscience, solidarity and justice and based on the fundamental equality of all human beings. It maintains the ancient landmarks of Freemasonry and withholds recognition from all irregular and clandestine meetings or Lodges not holding proper Charter.

The Order recognizes that united strength is necessary for humanity to progress and that efforts made by one sex alone are inadequate for the solution of economic, social or ethical problems.

Membership is open to men and women without distinction of race, ethnicity, philosophic, or religious beliefs. The Order imposes no restrictions on the free search for truth and, to secure that freedom, expects tolerance from all its members. The American Federation allows its Lodges freedom to work either to the Glory of the Great Architect of the Universe and/or to the Perfection of Humanity, according to authorized rituals.

The laws and constitution of the country, the decisions of the Supreme Council of the International Order of Freemasonry for Men and Women and the never-ending effort toward the betterment of Humanity bind its members.

#### NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

The candidate should clearly understand the obligations in joining the Order. These obligations are of the most serious and solemn character and are expected to be discharged honorably.

- 1. The candidate undertakes to try to lead a noble and upright life and to work toward the improvement of his/her character.
- 2. The candidate commits to attending regularly the monthly meetings of the Lodge, unless prevented by sufficient cause.
- 3. The candidate owes allegiance and the duty of loyal cooperation to her/his Mother Lodge, but is permitted, after initiation, to visit and even join other Lodges, if desired.
- 4. The candidate is bound to true Masonic secrecy and caution concerning Free-masonry and the affairs of the Order, and this promise is to be regarded as binding for all time, even if s/he leaves the Order.

### **ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP**

Application for membership cannot be acted upon favorably unless the following conditions are complied with.

- 1. No person shall become a Freemason before the age of 18 years.
- 2. The applicant must pursue a free and honorable calling and be recommended by two members of the Order.
- 3. Cost of Membership
  - A fee of \$70.00 shall accompany the application.
  - Yearly dues are also required to maintain membership in the Order and are due on the day of admission.
- 4. No one is admitted without preliminary inquiries.
- 5. The International Order of Freemasonry for Men and Women is not in any way connected with the American Masonic Grand Lodges.

## QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT

To omit or distort any information concerning yourself will unconditionally lead to exclusion from the International Order of Freemasonry for Men and Women, Le Droit Humain.

Last Name	First Name		
Date and place of birth			
Home address			
Telephone HomeCell_			
Email address	Fax		
Present profession or occupation			
Schools or universities attended or professional training			
Degrees, diplomas or certificates received			
	Yes	<u>No</u>	
Do you belong or have you belonged to any fraternal group, association, or society?			
If yes, what organization(s)?			
Have you ever been convicted of a felony?			
If so, explain			
Have you ever applied for membership in a Masonic fraternity?			
If yes, where and when?			
Have you ever been a member of a	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	

Masonic organization?				
If yes, what is your current status?				
If accepted do you agree to attend Masonic meetings on a regular basis and to inform the Lodge if you				
cannot attend?				
What is your marital status? Single $\Box$ Married $\Box$	Divorced $\square$	Committed		
If committed/married, does your partner/spouse know that you are applying to become a Freemason?	П	П		
Treemason:				
Please answer the following in your own handwrit	ing.			
1. Why do you wish to enter this body?				
2. What meaning do you attach to a pledge?				
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3. Give a definition of your idea of an honorable life you are trying to conform to that idea.	e, and ask your	self earnestly if		
you are trying to comorn to that raca.				
4. What is your idea of Justice?				
5. What do you consider to be the most effectual me	eans for the pro	omotion of the		
welfare of humanity?	_			

6. What is the strongest motive in your life?
7. What do you expect to gain by joining the Order and what can the Order expect of you?
Based on the strength of my present knowledge of the International Order of Freemasonry for Men and Women, Le Droit Humain, I promise to respect the moral obligation pertaining to the regulations and initiation which will bind me to Le Droit Humain, American Federation.
I also pledge that, if I leave the Order for any reason, I will return all property of the Order and my Lodge, including regalia and rituals, to the proper Masonic authority.
SignatureDate
Recommended by the following two members of the Order:
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