

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Iowa

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2024 - 2025 Commandery Inspections

*To: All Past Grand Commanders, current Grand Officers, Committee Members, Officers, and Sir Knights of all
Constituent Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa*

“If you keep on doing the things that you have been doing, then you will continue to get exactly what you’ve been getting.

RE: Inspections

Sir Knights:

It is my order that:

Commanderies in the state of Iowa will be inspected. Inspections will consist of two components, Administrative (Required) and Ritual (Optional but highly encouraged).

Every Commandery will complete an Administrative Inspection, which is to be completed by April 30, 2025.

The components of an Administrative Inspection will consist of the following:

- 15 pts.** Possession and inspection of Charter. Inspector will take a photo of the charter for their report. *(Mandatory)*
- 15 pts.** Provide a copy of current By-Laws for the Inspector’s report. *(Mandatory)*
- 15 pts.** Possession, inspection and impression on a supplied form of your Commandery Seal for the Inspectors report. *(Mandatory)*
- 15 pts.** 990n up to date and copy provided to the Inspector for his report.
- 10 pts.** Inspection of equipment.
- 25 pts.** Assessments paid and annual report submitted on time and up to date. Provide copy to the inspector.
- 10 pts.** Provide a completed sign-up sheet of the Sir Knights and Inspector present. Copy to Inspector.
- 25 pts.** Use of MMS and it being up to date.

Your Commandery will be contacted to schedule the Administrative Inspection.

An “Administrative Inspector” who will be a Division Commander, and or, Grand Commandery Officer who will complete the Administrative Inspection. It will be graded on points.

Seventy-Five (75) points is passing.

Ritual Inspection: It is hoped that many of the Commanderies will be able to accomplish this. The components of the Ritual Inspection consist of the following under the supervision of the Board of Instructors:

Officers Inspection, Opening the Commandery and Order of the Temple.

Ritual Inspections will be conducted and graded by the Board of Instruction of the Grand Commandery of Iowa.

The inspections will also be a part of the Grand Commanders Program. Various points can be accrued according to level of inspections held within your Commandery.

Reference, Iowa Code:

Section 339 Inspection.

(a) Every Commandery within this Grand Jurisdiction shall be inspected in accordance with a schedule and written instructions to be issued by the Grand Commander. The exact date of such inspection is to be determined by the assigned Inspector and approved by the Board. (1968)

(b) If any Commander shall fail to set a date for inspection satisfactory to the Board, the Grand Commander, when notified of such failure by the Board, may send a Special Representative at the expense of the offending Commandery to report as to the cause of such failure, or he may arrest the Jewel of the Commander, as to him shall seem best.

(c) The conditions and requirements of inspection shall be such as may be promulgated from time to time by the Board or as ordered by the Grand Commander. (1968)

Grand Encampment Statutes Section 48 "The Grand Commander"

(h) To conduct official visitations for the purpose of inspection or evaluation of each Constituent Commandery in his jurisdiction, either personally or by his personal representative, and to report the same together with any recommendations he may have at the next conclave of the Grand Commandery. (1967, p. 96-97)

Chivalric Regards,



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R.E. Grand Commander



Attested:



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