

Reception of The Most Worshipful Grand Master

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The Honorable Walter Gulley Jr Most Worshipful Grand Master



Masonic Ranking

The Most Worshipful Grand Master

- Numero Uno (Number One)
- He is the Tallest Tree in Lebanon, no other Masonic Ranking is higher.
- He is deserving of all respect and honor that comes with the office of The Most Worshipful Grand Master.

District Deputy Grand Master

- While this presentation is for all understanding and knowledge, it is more explicit designed for the District Deputy Grand Master, the proper reception of The Most Worshipful Grand Master to his district.

District Deputy Grand Master

- Upon notification that The Most Worshipful Grand Master will be making an official visitation to his district, he will notify the District Leadership Team.

District Leadership Team

- District Deputy Grand Master
- Assist District Deputy Grand Master
- District Grand Instructor
- An any other designated by the DDGM

Other Notifications by the DDGM

Other individuals that the District Deputy should notify, and extend an invitation to be part of the reception committee.

- Grand Department Heads
- Honorary Past Grand Masters
- Elected and Appointed Grand Officers (Blue House)

Hotel Accommodations

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- Reserve at a minimum a 4 Star Hotel

Grand Master Arrival Time

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- Telephonically and/ or electronically check with MWGM
- Departure and Arrival and times

Upon Arrival

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- The Most Worshipful Grand Master room keys should be ready and picked up and presented to him upon arrival
- Amenities already placed in his room
- (DDGM should become cognitive of the MWGM amenities)

Dining with the MWGM

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- Be prepared to invite the MWGM and his team out for dinner
- Restaurant should be identified (Pre-designated)
- Time and hour should be identified

Encourage Full Participation from the Craft

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- Insist that maximum participation is achieved by Brothers and Sisters
- Mandatory, not recommendation (Depending upon event)

Departure of the MWGM

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- Ensure that the hotel bill has been satisfied and expenses not levied upon the MWGM
- Extend a safe return trip to the MWGM (See him off)

Impromptu Arrival of the MWGM

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- DDGMs, please do not forsake your responsibilities because you were unaware that the MWGM was coming to your area, follow protocol.
 - Proper Notification
 - District Team should be involved and supportive
 - Proper invitations to other dignitaries
 - Dining invitation extended to the MWGM
 - Ensure maximum participation is achieved
 - Provide physical and administrative assistance in his overnight stay, if it within his plans

Other Grand Activities

Where MWGM or His Representative is in attendance:

Who is Responsible: District Deputy Grand Master

- District Team should be involved and supportive
- Proper invitations to other dignitaries
- Meet and Greet
- Dining invitation extended to the MWGM
- Ensure that the inviting body has made proper accommodations and amenities have been provided
- Extend a safe return trip to the MWGM (See him off)

Questions?