



Grand Secretary's Office
Mark Masons' Hall
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To: Heads of Orders in England & Wales

Cc: Provincial Grand Secretaries (and their equivalents)

Dear Sir and Brother

Updated guidance on mourning protocols to be observed following the death of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Further to the guidance note I issued last month and the conclusion of the period of National and Court mourning, I can now provide revised direction regarding the protocols to be observed by Units yet to meet since Her Majesty's death.

With immediate effect, it will no longer be necessary for Brethren to wear a black tie.

Units that have yet to meet since Her Majesty's death was announced are required to issue the summons for that meeting in black text but the summons need not be bordered in black. The agenda for such meeting must still contain, immediately after opening, an 'In Memoriam' agenda item in relation to The Late Queen separate from any act of remembrance for departed members of the Unit.

With fraternal regards and best wishes.

R.W.Bro. Ryan A Williams, P.G.J.W.
Grand Secretary