



# GRAND LODGE FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF WISCONSIN



*“To preserve the reputation of the Fraternity unsullied must be your constant care.”*

*When we represent ourselves as members of the fraternity, we become someone’s impression of Freemasonry. As such, it is important that we act accordingly and subscribe to the lessons we are all taught as Masons in terms of how we communicate and interact with Masons and non-Masons.*

## **Social Media Code of Conduct for Wisconsin Freemasons**

- Freemasons must conduct Social Media activities in a way that reflects membership in the Craft, acting in a way that presents a positive image of the fraternity; avoiding private piques and quarrels; being cautious in behavior; courteous to our brethren and to promote the general good and to preserve the reputation of the fraternity.
- Freemasons must be aware that postings are a permanent record; and therefore an individual's conduct may influence the world with a positive or negative image about the individual and also about Freemasonry. Postings and actions on the various Social Media outlets should reflect the highest standards of morality and integrity.
- Postings should not bring discredit to Freemasonry nor should they fit within the definition of Un-Masonic Conduct as defined by our Masonic fraternity. Conduct contrary to the accepted and customary rule of right and duty between Freemasons or to society in general, is improper.
- There should never be discussion related to the business of a Lodge and what is discussed within our tyled doors.
- There should never be discussion related to petitions, applications, background checks, investigation of an applicant, or regarding balloting on an applicant.
- Posts must comply with Grand Lodge rules, regulations, and edicts.
- Participation in discussions with those who most often are looking for discussions outside of what is Masonically acceptable should be avoided.
- No official communication with other Grand Lodges or their subordinate or concordant Lodges may take place online. Contact must be conducted through the Office of the Grand Secretary.
- The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Wisconsin is the absolute Masonic authority in Wisconsin. Only the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Wisconsin can make authoritative statements on behalf of Wisconsin Masons.
- To ensure our fraternity represents itself to the high standards we must regulate our actions by individual restraint and through Brother-to-Brother intervention. As a Freemason, quietly advise a Brother if you feel that what he has posted is improper within the framework of our Grand Constitutions, laws, rules, regulations, edicts and the general regulations of Freemasonry.