

FORMING A NEW COLLEGE

College Under Dispensation

To form a new College, the form "Petition for Dispensation to Open and Hold a College of Companion Knights of York" should be requested from the Secretary of the York Rite Sovereign College in writing.

This form should be completely filled out, together with the signatures of at least five (5) eligible petitioners, signed by the Grand Governor of the State or Province, (or Deputy Grand Governor in those jurisdictions where no Grand Governor has been appointed) and returned to the Sovereign College office with a check for One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars (\$125.00). Upon receipt of the "Petition for Dispensation", the Sovereign College will then issue the form "College Under Dispensation" which will be forwarded to the Governor General for his consideration. If approved, the original will be returned to the petitioners and the copy will become a part of the permanent records of the Sovereign College. With his approval of this form, the Governor General will appoint the five designated officers of the College Under Dispensation and it will be entitled to appoint the remainder of the officers, hold meetings, receive petitions and confer the Order Knight of York upon candidates.

At the time the "College Under Dispensation" authorization is sent, the following information and material will be forwarded:

- Constitution and By-laws of the Sovereign College
- Regulations for the Government of Constitutional Colleges
- Recommendation for Membership forms
- Acceptance of Invitation forms
- College Directory
- York Rite Pamphlet
- Preview of York Rite
- Gold Honor Award forms
- Order form (printed matter, jewels, etc.)
- Petition for Charter
- Proceedings
- Secretary Guide and forms
- 10 Manuals
- 25 College Seals

Each College will also receive 25 Charter Dues Cards and 25 membership pins, together with 10 Knight of York Rituals, which are issued numerically and to be recorded in the College Annual Return each year.

Upon receiving the "College Under Dispensation" form, the College should be instituted at the earliest possible occasion by the Governor General or his duly appointed representative.

While Under Dispensation, a quorum for consideration of business shall be five regular members.

Following appointment of the officers by the Governor General, jewels of office may be worn by the officers. Jewels may be purchased through the Sovereign College office. Colleges are encouraged to have jewels for their officers before the date of their Charter Ceremony and Installation of Officers.

**PETITION FOR DISPENSATION
TO OPEN AND HOLD A COLLEGE OF COMPANION KNIGHTS OF YORK**

To the Governor General of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America: We the undersigned Companion Knights of York, anxious to foster a spirit of cooperation among all the Bodies of York Rite Masonry and strengthen York Rite Masonry in every proper manner, do humbly petition a Dispensation to form, open and hold a College of Companion Knight of York, by the name and title of:

_____ Under Dispensation (U.D.)

Located at _____, _____
City State/Province

And we do, in consequence of said petition and of the great trust and confidence reposes in said Knights of York, request the appointment of:

GOVERNOR, Companion Knight: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

DEPUTY GOVERNOR, Companion Knight: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

CHANCELLOR, Companion Knight: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

TREASURER, Companion Knight: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

SECRETARY, Companion Knight: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

for the opening of said College Under Dispensation with the right to confer the Order Knight of York, and should this prayer be granted, we do hereby promise a strict conformity to the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Sovereign College of North America so far as the same shall come to our knowledge.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 20____.

APPROVED: _____ Date _____
Grand Governor

(This petition must be signed by not less than five (5) eligible petitioners, each of who must sign his full Christian name.)

Upon completion, return to: York Rite Sovereign College of North America, 500 Temple Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201