



## **Broad Ripple Lodge No. 643, F. & A. M.**

**1716 Broad Ripple Avenue  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220-2338**

Instructions for Membership Transfer Petition package (for out-of-state Brothers)

### **What to do:**

You (the petitioner) fill out all of **Form 16** and return it to Broad Ripple Lodge for presentation. **Form 16** must be accompanied by your check or money order in the amount of **\$10.00**. Your check or money order will not be cashed until you are elected. If your petitioning fee is not received with your petition, your petition will be held until the fee is received.

You must also fill out **Form 15**. Because your Lodge is in foreign jurisdictions (that is, not chartered under the Grand Lodge of Indiana F. & A.M., but chartered under a Grand Jurisdiction that is in amity with our Grand Lodge), please return the **Form 15** to Broad Ripple Lodge #643 and we will transmit them to your foreign jurisdiction Lodge via our Grand Secretary.

You should also send your Lodge a copy of **Form 17A** for their convenience in reporting your Masonic credentials back to Broad Ripple Lodge.

Submit the background check authorization at:

**<https://www.indianafreemasons.com/verification-background-check>**

1. Scroll down to the link that says Background Verification Site
2. Click Apply Now
3. Select MEMBERSHIP (\$14.95) and click Continue
4. Fill out the form, agree, and click Continue
5. Finish page 2 of the form, and for Location - specify **Broad Ripple**

**The verification process will NOT work properly on a cell phone or tablet for security reasons. Please use a computer when filling out your information.**

**Please note -- the petitioning fee does not include Lodge Dues!**

In addition to the petitioning fee, you will have to pay Lodge dues -- but not until after you have been elected to become a member of the Lodge. Broad Ripple Lodge's annual dues as of January 1, 2023, are \$155. Pro-rata dues are calculated starting on the first day of the month you are elected:

<b>Broad Ripple Lodge Pro-Rata Dues Schedule as of 2023</b>					
<b>Elected in</b>	<b>Dues are</b>	<b>Elected in</b>	<b>Dues are</b>	<b>Elected in</b>	<b>Dues are</b>
January	\$155	May	\$99	September	\$43
February	\$141	June	\$85	October	\$29
March	\$127	July	\$71	November	\$15
April	\$113	August	\$57	December	\$0

However -- keep in mind that dues for the next year are due on January 1. So if you are elected in December, don't let the zero dues fool you, because you will owe a full year's dues on January 1.

Thank you for your interest in Broad Ripple Lodge. We hope to read your petition soon!



Jacob C. Mann, P.M., Secretary

# Petition to Affiliate by Transfer

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens, and Brethren of

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F & A. M.  
\_\_\_\_\_, Indiana

THE PETITION of the subscriber, \_\_\_\_\_,  
Petitioner's Name

respectfully represents that he is a Master Mason and at this time a member in good standing of

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F. & A. M., located at  
\_\_\_\_\_, a certificate of which (or receipt for dues) accompanies

(City, State, Zip Code)

this, his petition. Being desirous of transferring his membership to your Lodge, he now prays to be admitted a member thereof, if found worthy.

He was born on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year) (City, State, Zip Code)

Residence address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of firm \_\_\_\_\_

Location of business \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Character of business \_\_\_\_\_

***I understand I must have a Background Check for this petition to be fully processed. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ or,  
I will not submit to a Background Check \_\_\_\_\_***

Notice in writing of his intention to file this petition was given to \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
All Names in Full

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Names in Full

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## Recommended by Brothers

\_\_\_\_\_ Have known petitioner for \_\_\_\_\_ years

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Referred to the following Committee:

Disposition

\_\_\_\_\_

Presented \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Elected \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

**Petitioner's Questionnaire**

(Both petition and questionnaire should be filled out in detail and signed by petitioner in his own handwriting)

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Usual Signature

14. List places of emolument for last 10 years  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Age \_\_\_\_\_

3. Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

5. Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

15. Have you ever been denied membership to, or withdrawn your petition to or been suspended or expelled from any fraternal organization? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Is (or was) your father a Mason? \_\_\_\_\_

16. If so, give particulars \_\_\_\_\_

7. If so, in what Lodge is (or was) his membership?  
\_\_\_\_\_

17. Give names and complete addresses of three business or professional references other than those who signed this petition \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. Are any of your brothers Masons? \_\_\_\_\_

9. If so, give their names, addresses and names and locations of their Lodges \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. Are you married? \_\_\_\_\_

18. Have you ever served in the armed forces? \_\_\_\_\_

11. If so, date \_\_\_\_\_  
and place of marriage \_\_\_\_\_  
and spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

19. Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offense (minor traffic violations excepted) in a court of competent jurisdiction? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Where did you last vote in an election, either local, state, or national?  
On \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

20. If so, give details \_\_\_\_\_

13. Give complete addresses of where you have lived the past 10 years \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

21. Do you have any physical impairment? \_\_\_\_\_  
Details \_\_\_\_\_

**MASONIC HISTORY**

Received degrees in \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F. & A. M., \_\_\_\_\_  
Location

E.A. \_\_\_\_\_

Suspended \_\_\_\_\_

F.C. \_\_\_\_\_

Expelled \_\_\_\_\_

M.M. \_\_\_\_\_

Restored \_\_\_\_\_

Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

Demitted \_\_\_\_\_

# Notice of Intention to Transfer Membership

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F. & A. M./A.F. & A. M.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

You are hereby notified that I, the undersigned, a Master Mason and member of said Lodge, desire and intend to transfer my membership therein to:

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F. & A. M./A. F. & A. M.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

On receipt of notice from said Lodge of my election therein, please forward my demit to its Secretary.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name in Full

\_\_\_\_\_  
Members Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

# Certificate of Good Standing

( To be utilized with Form 16)

(A separate Certificate is required for each Lodge to which the Brother belongs)

Hall of \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
City State

THIS CERTIFIES THAT Brother

\_\_\_\_\_  
Names in full

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street or P.O. Box

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

who has given notice of his intention to petition for Membership in

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F & AM/AF & AM, located at

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State)

is/was a Master Mason in good standing in \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and is free from charges.  
(City, State)

(LODGE SEAL)

Date \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary

This Certificate Expires on \_\_\_\_\_

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## GRAND SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

Grand Lodge \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, is a legally constituted Lodge under  
the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grand Secretary

(GRAND LODGE SEAL)

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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