



Oklahoma
DeMolay Association

RITUAL
TOURNAMENT
SPECIFICATIONS

Oklahoma DeMolay Ritual Tournament

Policies, Procedures, Rules, & Information

1. **RULE AND POLICY ADHERENCE:** The Oklahoma DeMolay Ritual Program is based on and adheres to the guidelines, policies, procedures, rules and Specifics of the Frank Marshall Championship Tournament (**FMCT**) System.
 - A. **FMCT SPECIFICS** may be downloaded from <http://www.frankmarshall.org>. Contact the Director of Ritual at director_ritual@okdemolay.com for username and password to access competitive file area. Always check the file legend on the web site before using any file to insure that you are using the latest revision. Special attention should be given to the latest version of the FMCT Specifics to insure an understanding of the competitive performance, room set-up and paraphernalia requirements.
2. **POLICY:** The ritual policy of the Oklahoma DeMolay Association is that each DeMolay memorize and pass proficiency in the obligations of the fraternity. Each Chapter must endeavor to proficiently perform the Opening and Closing Ceremonies including the Nine O'clock Interpolation. Each Chapter should be able to initiate their own members from memory.
3. **CONCLAVE RITUAL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION:** Every DeMolay who attends Conclave is expected to participate in at least one ritual competition. New members should compete in the Obligation portion of the program and should be encouraged to learn and perform one Preceptor part. At a minimum, every chapter should participate in the Chapter Proficiency competition. Chapter members and advisors are encouraged to observe any and all competitions by other chapters.
4. **TIME AND PLACE:** The annual Oklahoma DeMolay Ritual Tournament will convene on the Friday of Conclave at the time and place published by the Director of Ritual.
5. **PERFORMANCE BOND:** A monetary performance bond for individuals or teams will not be required for Tournament at this time. When a team or individual is entered into a contest, a word bond exists between the DeMolay, the Chapter Advisor and the judging team awaiting your competition. There are mitigating circumstances that may preclude the performance of an individual DeMolay or perhaps a team that he is a part of. When this condition is identified, please contact the Tournament Director as soon as possible that appropriate rescheduling actions can be made.
6. **QUALIFICATIONS & COMPETENCY:**
 - A. All competitors must have proved competency in their parts and be certified by their advisor or a qualification official before performing in a competition.
 - B. When an advisor or coach affixes his signature to a tournament entry form he is certifying that the individual or team members have qualified the necessary parts previous to the competition and that the correct age is entered thereon.

- C. If a DeMolay has qualified a part for the first time, he should receive a qualification medal that is provided by the Oklahoma DeMolay Association. There are two methods for registering the DeMolay for this award:
- 1) Fill in the form and fax to the Director of Ritual or,
 - 2) Forward an email to the Director containing the same information that is on the form.
 - 3) A medal will be forwarded as soon as possible.
- D. Judging sheets for qualifications can be forwarded on request of the Director of Ritual or downloaded from <http://www.frankmarshall.org>.
- E. If a DeMolay qualified a part by performing at FMCT and his score meets the qualification criteria, the Chapter Dad should provide the following to the Director of Ritual via email: Name, Chapter, Degree, Part, raw score and if this was the participants first qualification of this part.

7. **SPECIFICS:**

- A. Specifics for the Oklahoma DeMolay Ritual Tournament **competitions** are found in the Frank Marshall Championship Tournament (FMCT) System Specifics.
- B. EXCEPTIONS to FMCT SPECIFICS document are to **OMIT PARAGRAPH 4.**

8. **CONCLAVE RITUAL TOURNAMENT COMPETITIONS and AWARDS:**

A. **CONCLAVE TOURNAMENT; TEAM COMPETITIONS:**

- 1) Chapter Proficiency Team
 - a. Awards:
 - I) Small Class - Trophy for 1st, **Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.**
 - II) Large Class - Trophy for 1st, **Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.**
 - III) Title - Grand Champion
- 2) Initiatory Degree Team
 - a. Awards:
 - I) Small Class – Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - II) Large Class - Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - III) Title - Grand Champion
 - IV) F. Carley Bryant Sword; Traveling Trophy for the Initiatory Degree with the highest score over 900.
- 3) DeMolay Degree Team
 - a. Awards:
 - I) Small Class - Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - II) Large Class - Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - III) Title - Grand Champion

- 4) Fourth Section Team
 - b. Awards:
 - I) Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - II) Title - Grand Champion
- 5) **EXCALIBUR AWARD** – for the highest composite score over 2600 in the Initiatory Degree, DeMolay Degree and Fourth Section.
- 6) Ceremony of Light Team
 - a. Ceremony of Light Team - Junior; All team members must be in the Junior Division, age range (12 to 15), on the date of the contest.
 - I) Award: Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - b. Ceremony of Light Team - Senior; Team members may be in the Senior Division, age range (16 to 20), on the date of the contest. Mixed age teams (Junior and Senior) will be entered in this event.
 - II) Award: Trophy for 1st, Certificates for 2nd & 3rd.
 - c. Title – Grand Champion; Highest score of both Divisions.

B. CONCLAVE TOURNAMENT; BEST PART COMPETITIONS:

- 1) Best Parts competitions in Chapter Proficiency, Initiatory Degree, DeMolay Degree and Fourth Section are open to all active DeMolays without regard to age.
- 2) Best Part entries are limited to one entry per chapter per part.
- 3) Eligible members must have proved competency to their Chapter Advisor or qualifying official:
 - a. Chapter Proficiency, Master Councilor
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
 - b. Chaplains Contest
 - I) Award: Champion – Trophy and Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
 - c. Initiatory Degree, Master Councilor
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
 - d. Initiatory Degree, Marshal
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
 - e. Initiatory Degree, Senior Deacon
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion

- f. DeMolay Degree, Master Inquisitor
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
- g. DeMolay Degree, Junior Inquisitor
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
- h. DeMolay Degree, Jacques DeMolay
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
- i. DeMolay Degree, Orator
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion
- j. Fourth Section, Master Councilor (scores may be taken from team competition)
 - I) Award: Champion – Medal
 - II) Title – State Champion

C. **CONCLAVE TOURNAMENT; INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS;** The Junior Division age range is from 12 to 15 and the Senior Division is 16 to 20. Junior Division contestants shall not have reached their 16th birthday by the day of the Conclave Ritual Tournament:

- 1) Flower Talk:
 - a. Junior Division:
 - I) Awards: Trophy and medal for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
 - b. Senior Division:
 - I) Awards: Trophy and medal for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
 - c. State Champion Award: Memorial Plaque and Medallion
 - d. Title – State Champion
 - e. Two (2) competitors from each chapter will be allowed in each age division.
 - f. Eligible members must have proved competency to their Chapter Advisor or qualifying official.

- g. Competitors who have earned the State Champion Flower Talk Award are excluded from entering the contest at the Conclave following the Conclave in which they won the award. He may enter the contest on the second year thereafter, provided he meets the age requirement. Championship year is year “0”. The year after the Championship year is year “1”. The second year after the Championship year is year “2”. The Champion may reenter the Flower Talk contest in year “2”. (i.e. A DeMolay wins the State Championship Flower Talk Award in 2013. He may not enter the contest during Conclave 2014, but may enter in 2015.)

2) Ceremony of Light:

- a. Junior Division:
 - l) Awards: Trophy and medal for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
- b. Senior Division:
 - l) Awards: Trophy and medal for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
- c. State Champion Award: Plaque and Medallion
- d. Title – State Champion
- e. One (1) competitor from each chapter will be allowed in each age division.
- f. Eligible members must have proved competency to their Chapter Advisor or qualifying official.
- g. Competitors who have earned the State Champion Ceremony of Light Award are excluded from entering the contest at the Conclave following the Conclave in which they won the award. He may enter the contest on the second year thereafter, provided he meets the age requirement. Championship year is year 0. The year after the Championship year is year 1. The second year after the Championship year is year 2. The Champion may reenter the Flower Talk contest in year 2. (i.e. A DeMolay wins the State Championship Flower Talk Award in 2013. He may not enter the contest during Conclave 2014, but may enter in 2015.)

- 3) Magnificent 7:
 - a. Junior Division:
 - l) Awards: Trophy and medal for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
 - b. Senior Division.
 - l) Awards: Trophy and medal for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
 - h. State Champion Award: Plaque and Medallion
 - i. Title – State Champion
 - j. Eligible members must have proved competency to their Chapter Advisor or qualifying official.
 - k. Magnificent Seven entrants may not enter individual Preceptor competitions.
 - l. Magnificent Seven State Champion may compete until reaching majority.
- 4) Obligations and Preceptor Individual Competitions:
 - a. Obligations Awards: Medal and Trophy for 1st; Medals for 2nd & 3rd.
 - b. Preceptor Awards: Medals for 1st; 1st through 7th Preceptor.
 - c. Eligibility to register for Obligations and Preceptor Individual Competitions is limited to those initiated at or since Conclave last year.
 - d. Each contestant can compete in Obligations competition and up to 3 Preceptor competitions of their choice.
 - e. There is no limit on the number of contestants a chapter may enter in the Obligations and Preceptor competitions.
 - f. Eligible members must have proved competency to their Chapter Advisor or qualifying official.