



Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons West Yorkshire

Protocols for holders of.

West Yorkshire Mark Distinguished Service Award.

West Yorkshire Royal Ark Mariner Distinguished Service Award.

And

Presidents of Associations of Mark Master Masons.

For a good number of years our Past Provincial Grand Masters along with our current Provincial Grand Master have on special occasions presented certain members of the Province with the honoured award of The West Yorkshire Mark Distinguished Service Award and The West Yorkshire Royal Ark Mariner Distinguished Service Award for their outstanding service to the Province.

There are now a number of increased recipients for both these awards to Brethren, and so the Provincial Grand Master would like to ensure that all Lodges, both Mark and Royal Ark Mariners address the recipients correctly, both in Lodge and at Festive Boards.

If the holder of the West Yorkshire Mark Distinguished Service Award (formerly the Provincial Grand Master's Award) is present and a Grand Lodge Officer, then he/they should get the salutations appropriate to his rank before all other Grand Lodge Officers.

If he is a Provincial Grand Lodge Officer, then he/they should get his salutations before all other Provincial Grand Lodge Officers.

If they are neither of the above, then they should be given their salutation after the Provincial Grand Lodge Officers, and this should be with three.

We would therefore like to request that the following protocols are observed on all occasions within your Lodges, and at the festive board, The toast lists have been amended appropriately.

Regarding holders of West Yorkshire Royal Ark Mariner Distinguished Service Award. The protocol is now the same as the Mark with salutations given at the same points. The toast list has also been amended accordingly.

If a President of the Association of Mark Master Masons is present at a meeting and a Grand Lodge Officer, then he should get the salutations appropriate to his rank after all other Grand Lodge Officers.

If he is a Provincial Grand Lodge Officer, then he should get his salutations after all other Provincial Grand Lodge Officers.

If they are not either of the above, then they should be given their salutation after the Provincial Grand Lodge Officers, and this should be with three.

A list of all recipients in both the Mark and the Royal Ark Mariners is attached for reference, but please check at the start of the meeting as you would in relation to all other salutations.



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