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Instructor Certified
Self Certification

I have completed the requirements to be recognized as a Certified Instructor consisting of having:

- Attend a lodge of instruction at one of the District meetings during current Masonic Year;
- Completion of and passing the Grand Lodge's open book test on the Constitution and Code within the previous five (5) years;
- And Conduct a lodge of instruction on at least two of the three degrees.

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Full Name of Brother

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Montana Lodge Name and Number

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Date of completion of Code Test

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Date /Place of District Lodge of Instruction (1)

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Degree demonstrated or conducted (1)

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Date /Place of District Lodge of Instruction (2)

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Degree demonstrated or conducted (2)

Mail Completed Order Form to:

Grand Lodge of Montana
P.O. Box 1158
Helena, Montana 59624

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Copies of the "Lesson Plan" for District Lodges of Instruction have been mailed to each Instructor. Additional copies of the Lesson Plan are available from the Grand Lodge Office. Also, you can use this lesson plan within your lodge when you conduct lodges of instruction.

To help prepare you to be an effective Instructor in your lodge, you are encouraged to attend at least one of the scheduled District Lodges of Instruction. For questions you may ask your District Officer. For additional information please refer to the Grand Master's "Plan" for the year. A was mailed to each Lodge Instructor and is also posted online at our website.

The following goals are consistent with the direction provided during the two prior Masonic years:

- To strengthen our Masonic culture through education processes which develop Pride and Excellence in the delivery of the Montana Standard Ritual work.

- To strengthen our constituent lodges through the education processes of the Lodge Instructor Program and the Ritualist Program.

- To attract new candidates of exemplary character and moral qualifications.
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We will continue with many of the same programs set into place over the prior two years. In the pursuit of Pride and Excellence, our overarching goals for the next year are:

1) Teach and instruct lodge brothers, officers, and instructors ritual proficiency and excellence in the conferral of degrees and in the opening and closing.
2) Provide educational resources and programs for lodges to continue making Masons, both newly initiated and established Brothers.
3) Provide assistance, when requested of the District Officer, to lodges in their conferral of degrees. Candidates will be conducted by the Lodge receiving the petition. The Grand Masters Classes program are discontinued.

District Lodge of Instruction: The purpose for the District Lodge of Instruction is to develop and teach excellence in Ritual work to the Lodge officers and brethren.

Lodge Instructor Program: Each lodge will recommend a Brother to the District Officer who will be appointed by the Grand Master to serve as Lodge Instructor. Instructors must be Masons who exemplify the virtues of Masonry and are knowledgeable in the Ritual and the Constitution and Code. During their appointment Instructors ensure their lodges do proper degree work in accordance with the Montana Standard Work

Ritualist Program: The primary intent of the Ritualist Program is to create a culture for the Lodges to be self sufficient and proficient in the Montana Standard Work.

Unauthorized Copies of the Work: District Officers and Lodge Instructors must ensure that lodges do not use unauthorized rituals or materials in the lodges. The only authorized materials that lodge officers may use in delivering ritual work are the Mnemonics and Monitor.

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Once you have completed the requirements for Instructor Certification you will need to submit the enclosed form to the Grand Lodge Office. The recognition awards will be presented by the Grand Master or District Officer.

Requirements:

Instructors: Each lodge will have an instructor appointed. However, there will be a higher recognition of instructor—the "certified instructor." For a lodge instructor to be certified, the instructor must meet the following criteria:

a. Attend a lodge of instruction at one of the district meetings during current Masonic Year;
b. Complete and pass the Grand Lodge's open book test on the Constitution and Code within the previous five (5) years; and
c. Conduct a lodge of instruction on two of the three degrees. This may be a District Lodge of Instruction or a Lodge of Instruction within your own lodge. If within your lodge it must be a new lodge of instruction conducted after June 30, 2008.