

Edict on Cell Phones in a Tyled Lodge

All cell phones carried into a Lodge Room must either be turned off or silenced prior to entering the Lodge Room.

The Master will announce prior to Opening that all Cell Phones and other electronic devices are to be shut off or silenced.

If an emergency call is received while the Lodge is in session the Brother must not answer the call within the Lodge Room. He must exit the Lodge Room according to proper Masonic protocol and respond to the call outside of the Lodge Room area.

If a Cell Phone rings within a Tyled Lodge, the Master will instruct the Lodge Marshal to escort the Brother from the room. Re-admittance of the Brother to the Lodge will be at the discretion of the Master.

Use of cell phones or other devices for texting, audio recording, video recording, or photography within a Tyled Lodge is strictly forbidden, except as has been previously approved for photography. Any reported infraction of this rule is subject to reprimand, suspension, or expulsion from Freemasonry.

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