

## PROVINCE OF YORKSHIRE, WEST RIDING

### PROTOCOL FOR THE ABBREVIATIONS OF CRAFT RANKS

#### LODGES

**Abbreviations should not contain spaces or full stops**

Worshipful Master	WM
Senior Warden	SW
Junior Warden	JW
Chaplain	Chap
Treasurer	Treas
Secretary	Sec
Director of Ceremonies	DC
Almoner	Alm
Charity Steward	ChStwd
Mentor	Men
Senior Deacon	SD
Junior Deacon	JD
Assistant Director of Ceremonies	ADC
Organist	Org
Assistant Secretary	ASec
Inner Guard	IG
Steward	Stwd
Tyler	Tyler

The prefix Brother/Worshipful Brother/Very Worshipful Brother may be abbreviated as follows – Bro. / W Bro. / VW Bro. – with a full stop only after Bro.

Civil Decorations or Honours (i.e., *JP, OBE, CBE, DL, TD, QPM*) should be show in *Italics*.

Academic or membership honorifics should not be used, unless special exemption has been granted for a School/University Lodge. (i.e., BSc, FCA) but academic titles are used as a prefix (i.e., Prof., Dr., Rev.)

Military Ranks are used as a prefix for Commissioned Officers but, if retired, only use the ranks of Major or above (or the equivalent rank in other branches of the Armed Forces).

A comma should be placed after a Brothers name and before the Grand or Provincial rank. A further comma should be placed between any subsequent Office.

#### PROVINCIAL RANKS

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Provincial Grand Master	ProvGM
Deputy Provincial Grand Master	DepProvGM
Assistant Provincial Grand Master	AProvGM
Provincial Senior Grand Warden	ProvSGW
Provincial Junior Grand Warden	ProvJGW
Provincial Grand Chaplain	ProvGChap
Provincial Grand Treasurer	ProvGTreas
Provincial Grand Registrar	ProvGReg
Provincial Grand Secretary	ProvGSec
Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies	ProvGDC

Provincial Grand Sword Bearer	ProvGSwdB
Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works	ProvGSuptWks
Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplain	ProvDepGChap
Provincial Deputy Grand Registrar	ProvDepGReg
Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary	ProvDepGSec
Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	ProvDepGDC
Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	ProvDepGSwdB
Provincial Deputy Grand Superintendent of Works	ProvDepSuptWks
Provincial Grand Almoner	ProvGAlm
Provincial Grand Charity Steward	ProvGChStwd
Provincial Grand Mentor	ProvGMen
Provincial Grand Orator	ProvGORat
Provincial Senior Grand Deacon	ProvSGD
Provincial Junior Grand Deacon	ProvJGD
Provincial Assistant Grand Chaplain	ProvAGChap
Provincial Assistant Grand Registrar	ProvAGReg
Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary	ProvAGSec
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	ProvAGDC
Provincial Assistant Grand Sword Bearer	ProvAGSwdB
Provincial Assistant Grand Superintendent of Works	ProvAGSuptWks
Provincial Grand Organist	ProvGOrg
Provincial Grand Standard Bearer	ProvGStB
Provincial Assistant Grand Standard Bearer	ProvAGStB
Provincial Deputy Grand Organist	ProvDepGOrg
Provincial Grand Pursuivant	ProvGPurs
Provincial Grand Steward	ProvGStwd
Provincial Grand Tyler	ProvGTyler

## PAST PROVINCIAL RANKS

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Past Provincial Grand Master	PPGM
Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master	PPDepPGM
Past Assistant Provincial Grand Master	PAPGM
Past Provincial Senior Grand Warden	PPSGW
Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden	PPJGW
Past Provincial Grand Chaplain	PPGChap
Past Provincial Grand Treasurer	PPGTreas
Past Provincial Grand Registrar	PPGReg
Past Provincial Grand Secretary	PPGSec
Past Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies	PPGDC
Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer	PPGSwdB
Past Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works	PPGSuptWks
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplain	PPDepGChap
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Registrar	PPDepGReg
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary	PPDepGSec
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	PPDepGDC
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	PPDepGSwdB
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Superintendent of Works	PPDepSuptWks
Past Provincial Grand Almoner	PPGAlm
Past Provincial Grand Charity Steward	PPGChStwd
Past Provincial Grand Mentor	PPGMen
Past Provincial Grand Orator	PPGORat

Past Provincial Senior Grand Deacon	PPSGD
Past Provincial Junior Grand Deacon	PPJGD
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Chaplain	PPAGChap
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Registrar	PPAGReg
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary	PPAGSec
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	PPAGDC
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Sword Bearer	PPAGSwdB
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Superintendent of Works	PPAGSuptWks
Past Provincial Grand Organist	PPGOrg
Past Provincial Grand Standard Bearer	PPGStB
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Standard Bearer	PPAGStB
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Organist	PPDepGOrg
Past Provincial Grand Pursuivant	PProvGPurs
Past Provincial Grand Steward	PPGStwd
Past Provincial Grand Tyler	PPGTyler

If it is the custom of the Lodge to show ranks of other Provinces and Districts then the rank should be shown with the name of the Province or District in brackets, i.e. PPSGD (Cheshire).

## GRAND RANKS

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Senior Grand Warden	SGW
Junior Grand Warden	JGW
President to the Grand Charity	PresGChar
President of the Royal Masonic Trust for Girls and Boys	PresRMTGB
President of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution	PresRMBI
President of the New Masonic Samaritan Fund	PresNMSF
Grand Secretary	GSec
Grand Director of Ceremonies	GDC
Grand Sword Bearer	GSwdB
Grand Superintendent of Works	GSuptWks
Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	DepGDC
Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	DepGSwdB
Senior Grand Deacon	SGD
Junior Grand Deacon	JGD
Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	AGDC
Assistant Grand Sword Bearer	AGSwdB
Assistant Grand Superintendent of Works	AGSuptWks
Grand Organist	GOrg
Grand Standard Bearer	GStB
Assistant Grand Standard Bearer	AGStB
Deputy Grand Organist	DepGOrg
Grand Steward	GStwd

[Past Ranks should be prefixed by a "P" e.g. PSGD = Past Senior Grand Deacon].