

THE INCORPORATION OF WRIGHTS IN GLASGOW

APPLICATION FORM

In order to recognise those, including the Wrights or skilled carpenters, helping to build Glasgow Cathedral, King Malcolm III of Scotland granted them a charter in 1057. This meant that they were then officially recognised as a Craft by the State.

This condition continued for many years until the Seal of Cause was granted by the City of Glasgow in 1600. The Wrights had by this time become completely independent but did not immediately join the other Crafts under the Letter of Guildry granted to the Trades of Glasgow in 1605. Had they done so they would be a senior craft in the House, but they held-back and so are eighth in line of seniority.

In 1979 the Craft instituted an award scheme for young carpenters at the Glasgow College of Guilding. Promising youngsters compete annually for this award in which credit is given not only for practical skill and academic distinction but for a time element to emphasise the importance of delivery on time in modern industry. The Craft still appoints officers known as Lyners. Originally they were experts in building who assisted the Dean of Guild Court. Today, together with Lyners appointed by the Incorporation of Masons, they help to administer the charitable funds of the Dean of Guild Court Trust, which are mainly for the benefit of the architectural heritage of Glasgow.

Today the Wrights are the largest of the Crafts numerically, distribute very considerable funds to their pensioners and in-scope charities.

Membership:- Applications for Membership of the Incorporation are considered:-
At Far Hand for those whose families have never been involved in membership of the Incorporation and at Near Hand by virtue of their being a spouse, child or child-in-law of an existing member. Stepsons and Stepdughters of Members cannot be admitted at Near Hand and would require to apply at the Far Hand.

Burgess Ticket:- The Applicant must have a Burgess Ticket. If this is required it can be applied for at the same time as Application for Membership of the Incorporation by filling in the Glasgow City Council's Application form. Please note that the same rules apply to Far Hand and Near Hand.

Essay:- In earlier days the trade applicants had to make a test piece in a locked workshop in a set time. This practice has now almost become obsolete. If you wish further information on the Essay, ask a member of the Master Court or refer to the Incorporation's Blue Rule Book.

To the Deacon and Master Court of the Incorporation of Wrights in Glasgow.
Members of the Master Court,

As I wish to become a member of your Incorporation, I have completed the annexed Schedule. In the event of my being admitted a Member, I engage to discharge all duties and obligations which may thereby become incumbent on me.

I am,
Yours most respectfully,

(Sign Here)..... Date.....

SCHEDULE

Name of Applicant (in full)
Trade or Occupation
Place of Business
Residence
E-mail address.....
Date of Birth (per Certificate)
Date of Burgess Ticket (where applicable)
Of what Class or Trade?
Do you propose to make an Essay?

NEAR HAND ONLY (see note on 'Membership' opposite)

Name of Member through whom claim made.....
Date of their entry with the Incorporation.....
Their last residence.....
Your relationship to them.....
Are they still alive?.....

FEES APPLICABLE TO THE FOREGOING APPLICATION

	£-p	(Monies Table Over)
Entry Money	1 00	
Redemption of Quarter Accounts	3 00	
Copy of Charter and Rules	10.00	(Near Hand £5.00)
Burgess Ticket (if not already obtained)	3.00	
Membership Certificate	4.20	
Matriculation Fee	7.00	
Tie	(5.00)	
Less deduction for making Essay (if applicable)		
Received Payment of the sum of:-		

Collector..... Date.....
(Please make Cheque Payable to:- 'The Incorporation of Wrights in Glasgow')

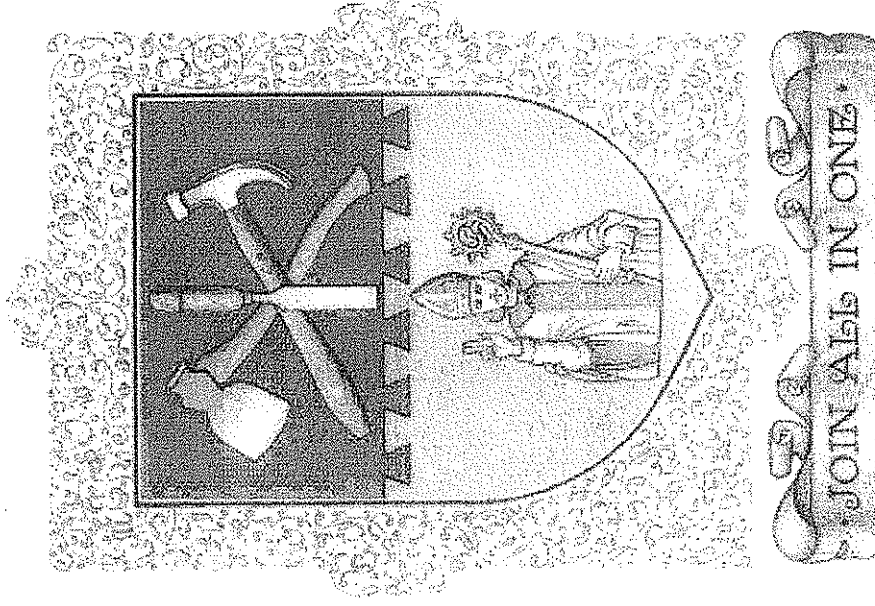
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FAR HAND ENTRANTS

NEAR HAND ENTRANTS BEING A SPOUSE, CHILD AND CHILD-IN-LAW OF AN EXISTING MEMBER

AGE NEXT BIRTHDAY	NEAR HAND ENTRANTS BEING A SPOUSE, CHILD AND CHILD-IN-LAW OF AN EXISTING MEMBER	FAR HAND ENTRANTS
10	£ 10.50	
12	£ 11.50	
14	£ 12.50	
16	£ 13.50	
18	£ 14.75	
20	£ 16.00	
21	£ 16.75	
22	£ 17.50	
23	£ 18.25	
24	£ 19.00	
25	£ 20.00	
26	£ 20.90	
27	£ 21.80	
28	£ 22.80	
29	£ 23.80	
30	£ 24.90	
31	£ 26.00	
32	£ 27.20	
33	£ 28.40	
34	£ 29.70	
35	£ 31.10	
36	£ 32.50	
37	£ 34.00	
38	£ 35.60	
39	£ 37.30	
40	£ 39.10	
41	£ 41.00	
42	£ 43.00	
43	£ 45.10	
44	£ 47.40	
45	£ 49.90	
46	£ 52.20	
47	£ 55.10	
48	£ 58.20	
49	£ 61.70	
50	£ 65.20	
Over 50	£ 75.00	
		£ 50.00
		£ 52.10
		£ 54.30
		£ 56.90
		£ 59.50
		£ 63.00
		£ 66.40
		£ 69.90
		£ 73.40
		£ 76.80
		£ 80.30
		£ 84.50
		£ 88.90
		£ 93.30
		£ 98.30
		£ 103.90
		£ 110.00
		£ 116.50
		£ 123.50
		£ 130.40
		£ 137.90
		£ 150.00

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

THE MASTER COURT IN THEIR SOLE DISCRETION MAY WITHOUT REASON ASSIGNED, REFUSE ADMISSION TO ANY APPLICANT WHETHER AT THE FAR HAND OR AT THE NEAR HAND.

THE AGE OF AN ENTRANT SHALL BE RECKONED AS AT THE BIRTHDAY AFTER THE DATE OF THEIR APPLICATION.

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