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## Raffle Special Dispensation Form

### Section 4.14: Special Dispensations Applied for by Lodge

All applications to the Grand Master for dispensations for any purpose shall emanate from a Lodge at a Stated Meeting, and be concurred in by a majority vote of the members present at such Communication; and such application shall set forth fully and clearly the emergency, under the Seal of the Lodge, and be signed by the Master and Secretary.

### Section 4.15: In Case of Special Emergency

In case of special emergency, where the provisions of the preceding section cannot be complied with, application for a dispensation may emanate from the Master.

### Section 4.16: Dispensation to Be Noted on Records

Every dispensation shall be noted in the records of the Lodge, and prompt report made to the Grand Master of the action taken by authority thereof.

### Section 5.01: Lotteries

Permitted: It shall be permissible for a Lodge to hold a lottery (raffle) under the following conditions. That all raffles comply with the South Dakota Judicial Code Section 22:25-24. See Special Dispensation form in the Appendix.

Definition: The term "lottery" shall be construed as a "raffle." Raffle defined: a method of raising funds for a charitable purpose by the sale of tickets or chances from which the winning ticket or tickets will be selected and the pre-determined prize or prizes awarded to the holder or holders of the winning ticket or tickets.

1. That a raffle will be for the purpose of raising funds for only approved Masonic Charities.
2. That no individual Mason will benefit or make a profit from any raffle.
3. Lodge not to lose money: if any raffle fails to raise the necessary funds to cover the expense of the raffle, the members of the Lodge shall, from personal funds, pay that portion not covered by the sale of raffle tickets.
4. The motion to hold a raffle must be seconded and passed by a 2/3 majority of the members present.
5. The Lodge must then submit a Special Dispensation form (see Appendix) to the Grand Master for approval.
6. Prohibitions: Any form of "chance enterprise" other than a raffle as herein defined, shall be strictly prohibited. No Lodge and /or no Mason shall give or attempt to give the aid or countenance of Masonry, in organized or individual form, to any other form of chance enterprise.

Lodge \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ South Dakota, respectfully requests a raffle dispensation from MWB \_\_\_\_\_ Grand Master of AF & AM in South Dakota, to conduct a raffle for \_\_\_\_\_ Masonic Charity on \_\_\_\_\_ date. We have attached copies of the letters to the SD Secretary of State and County States Attorney.

Lodge seal

\_\_\_\_\_ signature of WM \_\_\_\_\_ date

\_\_\_\_\_ signature of Lodge Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ date

Grand Master Seal

\_\_\_\_\_ signature of Grand Master \_\_\_\_\_ date



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