

SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION NUMBER 9
MAJORITY MEMBERS

1. Each member in good standing shall become a Majority Member upon becoming twenty (20) years of age, or married under that age, and shall immediately receive gratis a certificate of Majority Membership, Form 162 at the end of the term if she becomes twenty (20) or immediately if marrying prior to the age of twenty (20).
2. She shall be entitled to receive the Majority Degree at such time as may be convenient. The Degree may be conferred at a regular or special meeting of the Bethel. A special meeting called for this purpose may be an open meeting and may be conducted without formal opening or closing.
3. She shall be entitled to all the right and privileges of a member except voting and holding office.
 - (a) If she turns twenty (20) she shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges through the end of the term.
 - (b) If she marries she shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a member except voting and holding office.
4. She may enter the Messengers' semicircle, give honors, assume the attitude of prayer, and take part in the purging ceremony.
5. She shall be subject to the same discipline as a member.
6. She shall be exempt from further payment of dues.
7. She shall keep her Bethel informed of any change in name or address.
8. A member who had demitted from the Order and has passed the age of twenty (20) years, or who has married before that age, may be reinstated as a Majority Member by applying in writing to the Executive members of the BGC of the Bethel of which she was a member; or if the Bethel has been closed, to the Executive Manager of the SGC or the Grand Secretary in her Jurisdiction, for consideration by the Executive members of the SGC or the Executive members of the GGC, respectively.
 - (a) Application must be accompanied by her Demit (complete form), payment of dues from the date of the Demit to date of Majority and affiliation fee equal to one-half (1/2) the initiation fee. (See SI 14.21)
 - (b) It must be approved by a majority vote of the Executive members of the BGC.
 - (c) She shall then become a Majority Member and shall be reinstated on the next annual report sent to the Executive Manager (Form 112, 113 or 114) or sent to the Grand Secretary (Form 110 or 111).
 - (d) She shall receive gratis a Certificate of Majority Membership and shall be entitled to receive the Majority Degree.
9. As a Majority Member, even though married, she is privileged occasionally to fill an office for an absentee, or to act as an installing officer.