

# 19th District Traveling Gavel Rules

The purpose of the traveling Gavel is to encourage the Brethren of the district to travel to other lodges to share in Fellowship, Education and support other lodges in conferring our Degrees. The Gavel is considered a “hot potato”, and needs to be taken to another lodge as quickly as possible.

## Rules:

- 5 or more Brethren are needed to travel to a lodge with the Gavel.
- One of the 5 Brethren must be either the Worshipful Master, the Senior or Junior Warden.
- When the Gavel is tendered to another Lodge, the Sending lodge needs to report it on the 19th District Web site by filling out the form on the Traveling Gavel Page. Each member that attended needs to be listed, and a picture of the transfer uploaded. Ownership still counts to the sending lodge until this is completed. Assistance with this can be received from the DDGM or the DRI.
- Transfer of the gavel can only happen at a Regular Communication or Emergent Communication of the receiving Lodge.
- Next challenge runs from Sept, 1, 2018 until June 30, 2019.