

## **PRIVACY STATEMENT**

### **THE UNITED GRAND LODGE of NEW SOUTH WALES and the AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

#### **IDENTITY OF THE ORGANISATION**

The Privacy Act (Cth.) regulates the collection, security, quality, use and disclosure of personal information. The United Grand Lodge of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ('the Grand Lodge') considers that it is subject to the Privacy Act from 21 December 2001.

#### **PURPOSES FOR WHICH INFORMATION IS COLLECTED**

Information provided by you to the Grand Lodge will be used by the Grand Lodge in the following ways:

Maintain your individual membership record and a comprehensive membership data base;

provide information to you to enable you to access the services and benefits available to you as a member of the Grand Lodge;

provide your information to Masonic charities that are associated with but not part of the Grand Lodge;

conduct research in order to identify and analyse the ongoing needs of Freemasons and their families, and to identify future potential members, services and benefits.

#### **ORGANISATIONS (OR TYPES OF ORGANISATIONS) TO WHICH PERSONAL INFORMATION IS USUALLY DISCLOSED**

Information provided by you to the Grand Lodge may be disclosed to:

all Lodges within this jurisdiction of which you are, or of which you have indicated that you wish to be, a member;

any other Lodge within this jurisdiction making enquiries about you;

The Royal Freemasons' Benevolent Institution of New South Wales;

The Frank Whiddon Masonic Homes;

The Masonic Youth Welfare Fund;

Other Grand Lodges and the governing bodies of other Masonic Orders operating within Australia making enquiries about you; and

Other Grand Lodges (or equivalent) and the governing bodies of other Masonic Orders operating outside Australia making enquiries about you.

**CONSEQUENCES IF ALL OR PART OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IS NOT PROVIDED**

If you choose not to provide your personal information to the Grand Lodge when requested then neither the Grand Lodge nor any other Lodge may be able to provide services to you. If you are interested in joining Freemasonry yet choose not to provide your personal information to the Grand Lodge, your application to join cannot be processed.

**ACCESS TO PERSONAL INFORMATION HELD BY THE GRAND LODGE**

You have the right to request access to any information held by the Grand Lodge that relates to you and to correct any information that is inaccurate. Any corrections should be advised to the Grand Secretary in writing.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

If you require any further information about either the information held by the Grand Lodge which relates to you, or the Grand Lodge's Privacy Policies and Procedures, you should write to:

The Privacy Officer  
United Grand Lodge of NSW and ACT  
279 Castlereagh Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

***PRIVACY STATEMENT for SPOUSES and PARTNERS of MEMBERS***

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**PURPOSES FOR WHICH INFORMATION IS COLLECTED**

Information provided by you, as a partner or spouse of a Freemason who is a member of the Grand Lodge, to the Grand Lodge will be used by the Grand Lodge in the following ways:

maintain your spouse's or partner's membership records and a comprehensive membership data base;

provide information to your spouse or partner to enable him to access the services and benefits available to you as a spouse or partner of a member of the Grand Lodge;

provide your information to Masonic charities that are associated with but not part of the Grand Lodge;

conduct research in order to identify and analyse the ongoing needs of Freemasons and their families, and to identify future potential services and benefits.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION IS USUALLY DISCLOSED**

Information provided by you to the Grand Lodge may be disclosed to:

all Lodges within this jurisdiction of which your spouse or partner is, or which he has indicated that he wishes to be, a member;

The Royal Freemasons' Benevolent Institution of New South Wales;

The Frank Whiddon Masonic Homes;

The Masonic Youth Welfare Fund;

Other Grand Lodges and the governing bodies of other Masonic Orders operating within Australia making enquiries about you; and

Other Grand Lodges (or equivalent) and the governing bodies of other Masonic Orders operating outside Australia making enquiries about you.

**CONSEQUENCES IF ALL OR PART OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IS NOT PROVIDED**

If you choose not to provide your personal information to the Grand Lodge when requested then neither the Grand Lodge nor any other Lodge may be able to provide services to your spouse or partner or to yourself.

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