

NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, INC.
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NATIONAL REGULATION 18.1

Subject: Compliance with Grand Jurisdiction Requirements/Prohibitions

**Reference: (a) National By-Laws, ARTICLE 18.1
(b) National Regulation 8.2.4**

- 1. PURPOSE:** To ensure compliance by members of National Sojourner Chapters and Camp of Heroes of '76 with the edicts, rules and regulations and directives of the Grand Jurisdiction in which they meet.
- 2. BACKGROUND:** The majority of Grand Lodges in the United States have specific rules, regulations, edicts and decisions relative to the use of alcoholic beverages, lotteries, raffles, and other acceptable or unacceptable practices as defined by their Grand Jurisdiction.
- 3. POLICY:** To ensure harmonious compliance with such rules, the Chapter Officers will become familiar with the Grand Jurisdiction laws, rules, regulations, codes, policies and edicts which would affect the operation, conduct and practices of the Chapter or Heroes Camp. Strict adherence to the practices of the Grand Jurisdictions is essential. See Reference (b).
- 4. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** The following guidance applies to ALL Chapters of National Sojourners, Inc., and Camps of Heroes of '76.
 - a. No alcoholic beverages will be served or consumed during the formal session of any Chapter or Camp meeting. This shall be strictly observed during the period extending from the Opening Ceremony through the final gavel of the Closing Ceremony.
 - b. As a general rule, alcoholic beverages shall not be carried to dining tables or to any table in the same room with an open Bible. Each Chapter/Camp will take necessary steps to insure their policy concerning the serving of alcoholic beverages is in conformity with the rules and regulations of the Grand Masonic Jurisdiction in which they meet.

c. Unless otherwise prohibited, alcoholic beverages may be served at social hours preceding meetings and during meals, providing the Chapter/Camp has not been formally opened. Once the formal meeting has been opened, such beverages cannot be served or consumed in the same room with the open Bible.

5. IMPLEMENTATION: All National Officers, Area and Regional Representatives and Chapter and Camp Officers will be held responsible for strict compliance with this Regulation.

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ATTEST:



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