



**Prieuré de Sion
Ordre de la Rose-Croix Véritas**



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Article I

The “Prieuré de Sion – Ordre de la Rose-Croix Véritas O.D.L.R.C.V.” is an initiatory Order of chivalry composed by Gentlemen and Ladies, which shares the principles and the ideals of fraternity, chivalry, equality and liberty; at the same time, all the Members shares the love for culture, passion for the study of history and the keen interest for the mystic and the transcendent.

The Prieuré de Sion, being an Order of Chivalry, is not a masonic or para-masonic Order.

Article II

The Prieuré de Sion is not a secret society, but its nature is reserved, therefore, all the informations which are related to the Members as the name, profession, place of birth, residence or any other personal information has to stay reserved.

The violation of this Article, will have severe consequences, which could easily culminate in the expulsion of the transgressor.

Article III

The “Prieuré de Sion – Ordre de la Rose-Croix Véritas O.D.L.R.C.V.” has as its objectives the perpetuation of the traditionalist order of chivalry, its initiatory teaching and knowledge, which are reserved to the Members only.

The other objective of the Order is the divulgation of general knowledge and informations which are supposed to be a cultural enrichment for the public in order to benefit the humanity in its wholeness, as much as it is reasonably possible for this association.

Article IV

The duration of the “Prieuré de Sion – Ordre de la Rose-Croix Véritas O.D.L.R.C.V.” is unlimited.

Article V

The Grand Master is the highest spiritual authority and the sovereign of the Order, consequently his final decisions can not be overturned by any collegial vote.

The office and the title of Grand Master is for life.

The betrayal of the Grand Master is punished by direct expulsion with the aggravating circumstance of dishonor.

The Secretary General is the highest office for what concerns the association, under the institutional and bureaucratic aspect and is the only person who can make agreements with third parties on behalf of the Order or who can express himself officially with the public in the name of the Priory of Sion.

It may happen that sometimes the Grand Master is also the General Secretary.

The Prieuré de Sion adopts, as its registered office, the domicile of the General Secretary, which is elected by the Arch of the Thirteen Rose-Croix which is composed by the Doge, the eight illustrious Constables, the three Sénéchaux and the Grand Master.

Article VI

The Prieuré de Sion has no limits in recruiting new Members and it is open to all adult persons who recognize its aims and accept the obligations specified in this present constitution. Members are admitted without regard to sex, race, philosophical, religious or political ideas.

Article VII

Once the Candidacy is accepted, the Novice Member will stay on trial till the attainment of the First Degree. During this period, he/she will be valued under any aspect, through his/her studies and even through the valuation of his/her behaviour toward any situation, in order to delineate his/her moral quality.

Article VIII

Members which will not be strictly scrupulous in the respect of the values and actions which delineates the characteristic of a gentleman, will be expelled, inasmuch as this is a chivalry Order and it's not tolerated the presence of Members which are not of excellent reputation and of great moral stature.

Article IX

At the time of registration, it is required the payment of the annual Capitation fee of 149 Euros or 167 U.S. Dollars.

The price of 149 Euro or 167 US Dollars, concerns only the rights of the Secretariat, if you choose to register inside one of our Commanderies, the price may vary from one to the other.

The "Cercle Sigebert IV" are our external circles, in which historical, esoteric, philosophical and traditional studies are elaborated.

The 149 Euro or the 167 US Dollars, can not be collected by the "Cercle Sigebert IV" groups, by the Chapters or Commanderies and must be paid every year directly to the bureau of the Secretariat General of the Prieuré de Sion, by bank transfer, without intermediaries.

The possible surcharges of each Commandery or Chapter are managed individually and independently by each of them.

To be initiated and access a Commandery or a Chapter, it is necessary to have successfully passed the novitiate, which lasts an average of 4 or 5 months and to have attended one of our "Cercle Sigebert IV" for at least 5 months.

Each step in Grade costs 59 Euros or 65 US Dollars and the paper certificate is included in the fee.

Article X

The Annual fee, is mandatory for everyone which is following the educational program of the Order, making exceptions for the Members which collaborates concretely to the internal activities.

Article XI

The admittance of a Member which has already attained the Third Degree to the “Order of the Lily” is deliberated under votation by the Arch of the Thirteen Rose-Croix, which will value the reports of the Tutors, in matter of study preparation and skills of the student but also in terms of the impressions received about the Novice Member in a more global sense.

Article XII

The hierarchy is divided into the following Grades

Grand Maître, Nautonnier de l'Ordre, Supérieur, Ormus, Magnifique Souverain 10°

Sénéchal et Grand Dépositaire Mystique et Arcane 9°

Doge Sublime et perfect de l'Ordre du Lys et de l'Ordre de Sion 8°

Connétable illustre de l'Ordre de Sion et de l'Ordre du Lys 7°

Grand Commandeur de l'Ordre de Sion et de l'Ordre du Lys 6°

Chevalier Grand Commandeur consacrée au Ordre du Lys 5°

Chevalier de l'Ordre du Lys et de l'Ordre de Sion 4°

Noble Croisé de l'Ordre de Sion 3°

Vaillant de l'Ordre de Sion 2°

Écuyer Valiant de l'Ordre du Temple 1°

The Prieurè de Sion, is divided in three internal Orders, from the First to the Third Degree, the Members belongs to the Order of Sion, from the Fourth to the Eighth Degree the Members belongs to the Order of the Lily which is the Most high regent and enlightened Council of the Order of Lys and of the Order of Sion; Members from the Ninth to the Tenth Degree belongs to the Supreme and Mystic Quadrumvirate Sovereign and enlightened of the Priory of Sion.

Article XIII

The most high regent and enlightened Council of the Order of Lys and of the Order of the Sion, is the "Order of the Lily", this body, has the power to propose innovations of any kind, about anything concerning the Order; at the same time, The most high regent and enlightened Council of the Order of the Lys and of the Order of Sion, could propose changings to the present Statute or could propose even the expulsion of a Member, after having attained the majority of the favorable votes, as results of a votating, which to have place, needs to be submitted at least by two Members with a motivation which has to be objectively retained concrete and serious.

Any Member of The most high regent and enlightened Council of the Order of Lys and of the Order of Sion, can propose a subject for votating, this will go under polling inside the body.

If the votating result will be positive, the motion will be forwarded to the Arch of the Thirteen Rose-Croix and put under final votating, then in case of a positive result, the motion will be approved with immediate effect.

Article XIV

The Doge is, under delegation of the Supreme and Mystic Quadrumvirate Sovereign and enlightened of the Priory of Sion, the Sovereign in charge of both the "Order of Sion" and the "Order of the Lily".

Because of this power conferred from the Supreme and Mystic Quadrumvirate Sovereign and enlightened of the Priory of Sion, he can govern the daily life of both the Orders, in the limits which are defined by our Statute, rules and already established activities.

Article XV

The Arch of the Thirteen Rose-Croix is the body which will deliberate the eventual active role of any Member inside the Order.

Article XVI

Any Member which attained the First Degree, is allowed to propose, to anyone he/she considers to deserve it, to join the Order; this person will then have a time limit of 31 days, to accept the invitation and propose his/her candidacy or to renounce the privilege.

Article XVII

All decrees has to be approved through vote by the Arch of the Thirteen Rose-Croix and receive the validation through the Seal of the Grand Master.

Article XVIII

The General Secretary is named by the Arch of the Thirteen Rose-Croix and must be at least of the Grade of illustrious Constable to receive the charge, but it could be also the Doge or a Member of the Mystic Quadrumvirate Sovereign and enlightened of the Priory of Sion.

Article XIX

The Arch of the thirteen Rose-Croix, will assembles in the function of internal Tribunal, when has to settle any serious dispute inside the Order or to judge any abusive or unethical action.

Article XX

The funds of the Prieuré de Sion are composed of gifts and fees of the Members, this patrimony, could be used only for the maintaining of the Order or to improve its structure.

Article XXI

Any attempt to conditionate the Order's Members through any political ideology, or in favour of any politic parties or even a single politician, will determine the immediate expulsion as consequence.

Article XXII

It's forbidden to debate or discuss political or religious matters inside the Order; continuous infringement to this article, will be punished with expulsion.

Article XXIII

Any Member which wil try to abuse his/her Title, in the attempt to create pressure toward others inside the Order, with the purpouse to obtain unfair and/or unreasonable advantages will be punished with suspension.

Article XXIV

Any of the Members, which will involve others, in activities or actions which are not absolutely legitimate, ethical and legal, will be “expelled with dishonour”, with immediate effect, regardless the Degree achieved and the role inside the Order.

Article XXV

Any Member, regardless of his/her Degree, social position and role inside the Order, will behave fraternally and in a kind and brotherly attitude, toward any of his/her Brothers or Sisters as this Fraternal Order is that in fact and not just by empty words or mere conventions.