

**RULES AND REGULATIONS  
WASHINGTON EVERGREEN AWARD**

**ARTICLE I  
ELIGIBILITY**

**Section 1.** This award shall be made in recognition of outstanding service to the Order.

(a) Any adult with a minimum of five years, during the past seven years, of outstanding service to the Order, who is at least twenty-five (25) years of age at the time of their nomination shall be eligible. A nominee's time served as an elected Grand Officer shall not be included as part of the minimum five years. All nominees must be living at the time of nomination. (2021)

**ARTICLE II  
REQUIREMENTS**

**Section 1. Nomination**

(a) Members of a Bethel or a member of the GGC may recommend a nominee to the Executive members of a BGC. (1998)

(b) Nomination shall be approved by any four (4) members of the nominating Bethel Guardian Council. (1998)

**Section 2. Recommendations**

(a) At least four (4) letters of recommendation from adults who know the nominee personally, other than relatives, shall be submitted with the nomination form. (1998)

(b) At least two (2) of the letters shall be from current members of the BGC (Executive and/or Associate) or from members of the GGC. (1998)

**Section 3. Presentation**

(a) The recipient shall receive the Washington Evergreen Award during the Formal Opening at the Annual Session of the Grand Guardian Council. In the event that it is impossible for the recipient to attend, other arrangements for the presentation will be made by the Grand Guardian. (2008)

(b) The GGC shall be responsible for providing each recipient with a certificate.

**Section 4. General**

(a) The cost of the approved award may be paid by the proposer, the family, or anyone who wishes to contribute. Checks should be made payable to the GGC of Washington and sent to the Grand Secretary of Washington by May 1. (2019)

**ARTICLE III  
WASHINGTON EVERGREEN COMMITTEE**

**Section 1. Members**

(a) The membership of this committee is defined in the WA B-GGC, Art. IV. Sec. 4 (g).

**Section 2. Duties of the Committee**

(a) Notify each Bethel of this GGC, in September, of requirements for a nomination. (2019)

(b) Receive the nomination no later than March 1, from a member or members of the GGC. (2019)

(c) Hold an annual meeting by April 1 to determine the recipients of this award. (2019)

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- (d) Notify each proposer the committee's decision regarding their nomination by April 15. (2019)
- (e) The committee shall not discuss the nominations outside their annual meeting as all nomination details shall be held in confidence. The decisions of the committee shall be final. (2019)

**Section 3. Duties of the Committee Chairman**

- (a) Designate the date and location of the annual meeting of this committee.
- (b) Submit a report at the Annual Session of the GGC.
- (c) Be custodian of the permanent file containing the list of recipients and copies of all annual reports.
- (d) Turn over all properties of the committee annually to the new chairman.

**ARTICLE IV  
AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.**

- (a) Amendments may be made to these Rules and Regulations as defined in the WA SOP-GGC 7 Sec. 1-2.