

38. AGREEMENTS WITH THE GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND RELATIVE TO THE CONFERRING OF THE MARK DEGREE

(a) 19th December 1860

The following are the Resolutions of the Committee appointed by Grand Lodge of Scotland and the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland on Mark Masonry, which were adopted by these two bodies, and declared to be held as laws and statutes.

1. That all Lodges holding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland shall be allowed to work the Mark Degree in virtue of the Charters which they already possess.
2. That, to prevent confusion with Brethren belonging to Lodges out of this Kingdom, or with Sister Grand Lodges, this Degree, **although held by the Grand Lodge to be a second part of the Fellow-Craft Degree**, shall only be conferred on Master Masons, *and the secrets shall only be communicated in presence of those who have taken it either from a Lodge or Chapter entitled to grant it.*
3. That the Grand Lodge of Scotland and the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland shall adopt the same Ritual in conferring the Degree, being that now adjusted by their respective Committees.
4. That any Candidate applying to be admitted to the Royal Arch Degrees - if he has received this Degree in a regular Lodge - shall not require to take it a second time from the Chapter into which he seeks admission; but in the event of his not having received it he shall be obliged to take it from that Chapter.
5. That as regards the Royal Arch Degrees, this Degree shall be reckoned the Fourth Degree in Masonry.
6. That nothing contained in these Regulations shall interfere with the superintendence which the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter claims over Mark Masonry out of Scotland - or with the Lodges holding of it in England or abroad.

(b) 3rd June 1921

1. Agreement with Grand Lodge of Scotland relative to the formation of the Mark.