



PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF EAST LANCASHIRE

Circular No: 271

To: Chapter Scribes E
Cc: Royal Arch Executive
Royal Arch Area Officers

24 June 2025

Dear Companion Scribe E,

Royal Arch Honours 2026

I would wish to advise you that the Provincial Honours Guidance for 2026, which includes the Application Form, is now available on the Provincial Secretariat Website. I should be most grateful if you would now inform the Companions of your Chapter accordingly.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access the documentation.

The most important aspect is the return date for submissions – **10 October 2025**. The completed Form **must** go to your **Royal Arch Area Officer** who will be pleased to receive it.

The qualifying periods are clearly set out on the Application Form but for avoidance of doubt, I will restate them here;

- **First Appointment: Six years** must have elapsed by the date of the Annual Investiture Meeting since the Companion was first Installed as First Principal.
- **Promotion: Seven years** must have elapsed since the Companion received his First Appointment / previous Promotion.

If you are unsure as to the Companions in your Chapter who are qualified to make an application, this information can be obtained from your Assistant to the Provincial Grand Principals, if it is not available from the Chapter Summons or records.

It is hoped that you will encourage and assist those Companions who decide to submit an application with both the information required on the Form, and its submission.

Finally, you will note the Form should also be signed by yourself. **This is not to approve the application** but simply to confirm that you are aware of it and can confirm the contents are broadly correct.

I am, as ever, most grateful for your kind assistance in the administration of this process.
Yours sincerely and fraternally,

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Provincial Grand Scribe E

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