

The Challenges of Brotherhood Membership

Your completion of the Ordeal sets you on the path of an exciting adventure. After 6 months of service to your unit and fulfilling certain requirements, you will be able to seal your membership in the OA by taking part in the Brotherhood ceremony. Brotherhood membership marks the completion of your induction into the Order of the Arrow

You must meet five challenges before you can enter the Circle of the Brotherhood. The first of these you should meet now. The next three require steady effort over a period of months. The last challenge you must meet after you are satisfied that you are accomplishing the first four.

- 1. Memorize the Obligation, OA Song, Admonition, Sign of the Ordeal, and the Handclasp
- 2. Advance in your understanding of the Ordeal
- 3. Remain registered and continue to serve your unit for at least 6 months
- 4. Make a plan for continued service in your Lodge
- 5. After 6 months, review your progress and write a letter to the Lodge Secretary about your plan for continued service

This list may seem daunting at first, but when broken down into smaller parts, you'll find it's quite manageable. Click on the challenges - we'll show you everything you need to know.

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