

Finding Books

Our Library uses a catalog/shelving system designed after the ones used by the Iowa Masonic Library, which is one of the finest in the world. This system is also similar to the system used at our Grand Lodge Library. Because we are much smaller than either of these other libraries there will be some deviations but for the most part the systems are the same. Following are the General classifications used in our library.

The Library has three (3) locations for books. The first letter or letters below represent those locations.

M	The Main Library shelves this is where 95% are located
A	Archives. This location is for books that have exceptional value either of a monetary, collector, or Lodge History value
OF	This is an overflow location where additional copies of books are kept.
OS	Book is in section for Oversize Books

The location is followed by multiple numbers The First number represents the main category or topic of a book

0	General Works
1	Masonic Education and Charities
2	Rituals, Degrees and Ceremonies
3	Anti Masonry, Negro Masonry, Spurious or Clandestine Masonry, Women and Freemasonry, Youth and Freemasonry
4	Philosophy, Symbolism, Religion, Ethics
5	Law and Jurisprudence
6	Quasi Masonic Societies
7	Architecture, Paraphernalia, Music etc
8	Literature
9	History and Biography