



# The Imperial Council

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**This corresponds to January 30, 2019**

**To:** Imperial Deputies of the Desert, Imperial Deputies of the Oasis, Imperial Officers,  
Illustrious Potentates, Rabbans, Past Potentates, and Nobles

**Subject:** Improper Fezzes

Greetings!

I pray that the Lord is continuing to bestow his many blessings upon you and yours as we start another Shrine year under his matchless grace, peace, and mercy.

The purpose of this memorandum is to reiterate the importance of wearing a proper Fez while attending meetings and official Shrine functions. Just as a reminder, the Administrative Policy and Procedures Manual, 2018, page 37, specifically outlines the parameters surrounding Fez design:

“The Fez will be made of red velour or felt. The name and number of the Temple and the Shrine emblem (with the scimitar suspended from the crescent) will be on the front of the Fez. No other writing (except for Honorary Past Potentate and Honorary Past Imperial Potentate) will be on the front or rear of the Fez. A tassel pin may be worn to hold the tassel in place. No other pins, emblems, stickers, patches/badges, or other paraphernalia will be worn on or attached to the Fez. The tassel will not be braided or tied but will hang loose.”

Effective the date of receipt of this memorandum, compliance with the above is mandatory, no exceptions. I fully expect and charge the Deputy of Desert, Deputy of Oasis, and Illustrious Potentates to enforce the above standard. Bottom-line, if you do not have a proper Fez as outlined above, you are not allowed to participate in any regularly scheduled meetings or Shrine functions. I’m depending on each of you to enforce our standard with no exceptions!

If you have questions, please contact the Imperial Lecturer, Director, Imperial Council Education and Development (I.C.E.D.) Department, HPIP Dwayne E. Thomas, 703-963-9447, [impdir1893@gmail.com](mailto:impdir1893@gmail.com), or Frank “Tarkin” Jones, Chief Deputy, Compliance and Evaluation, I.C.E.D. Department, 201-290-4802, [starkum@aol.com](mailto:starkum@aol.com).

Sincerely,

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cc: Imperial Divan Members  
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