



Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Queensland

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TO: ALL SCRIBES EZRA, GCOs AND DGEs

REF: ROYAL ARCH REGALIA

Companions,

You will recall that on 24th April 2017 I wrote to you to advise that we had decided to stock and sell Companion's Aprons and Sashes and Principal's Aprons and Sashes at prices well below the going rate in Australia. I have included a copy of that letter with this one. In that letter I explained about the excellent quality of the product and asked for an indication of the support we would have from the Chapters and members for this proposal. I have to say that the response I received was overwhelmingly in favour of the stocking and sales of the regalia and pledging support for the items. The prices were as follows:

Companion's Apron and Sash – Kid Leather	\$135.00 plus postage
Principal's Apron and Sash – Kid Leather	\$150.00 plus postage

I am pleased to advise that these items are both now in stock and Tetty will be only too happy to handle your enquiries and orders. I can assure you all that when given the option of buying soiled second-hand regalia or opting for the new regalia, the majority of new Companions will opt for the new items. I have already sold one set to a new Companion at my own Chapter just by showing him the new product.

However, we have also sourced and now have in stock regalia cases particularly sized for Craft Masons and Royal Arch Companions and Principals. These are of excellent quality and will easily accommodate both Craft and Royal Arch Regalia together. The good thing about these is that they are made of a light but tough woven material of polyurethane and silk and are sewn on a wire frame. They have a zippered closure, carrying handles and also have a detachable shoulder strap. When travelling, they can be easily packed at the bottom of a port or luggage bag which I have been doing when travelling both intra-state and inter-state. These cases will be ideal to go with the new Royal Arch Regalia above. The item is as follows:

Masonic Regalia Soft Carry Case	\$40.00 plus postage
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The last item which I wish to bring to your attention is a thin regalia case designed for Grand Lodge/Grand Chapter regalia but particularly those with Chain Collars. Like the previous item it is sewn on a wire frame. It is made of kid skin and is fully zippered, has carrying handles and a lockable clip. Internally it has two clipped straps and a pocket for the chain collar and the pocket will also hold the sash, gloves and bow tie. On the other side there are hold down straps to accommodate the apron. When done up, the unit is only about 1 inch (25.4 mm) in thickness and like the previous item can be easily packed in the bottom of a port or luggage bag. The item is as follows:

Masonic Apron and Chain Collar Case

\$50.00 plus postage

Tetty has taken photographs of the two items, both empty and with regalia included. The Chain Collar Case photographs are taken with my regalia in place. I purchased one today and our M. Ex. First Grand Principal is calling in to purchase one during this week. We recommend these items to you.

We also believe that they will be of great interest to members at all levels of the Craft and will also be of interest to members of Other Masonic Orders.

Please direct all enquiries, either for the regalia and/or the regalia cases to Tetty Mackinnon on 07 3221 1911 or by email at tmackinnon@royalarch.org.au.

Yours fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John F. France', written in a cursive style.

**John F. France PDGZ GZSSA
Grand Scribe Ezra**