

Annotated Bibliography of Reference Texts, Ongoing Formation Text & Text Devoted to the Rule

Book and author	<u>Guidelines for Initial Formation in the Secular Franciscan Order in the United States</u> by National Formation Commission of the National Fraternity of The Secular Franciscan Order	<u>Elements of Formation: A Reflection On The Formation Process</u> By Presidency of The International Council of The Secular Franciscan Order	<u>To Live As Francis Lived A Guide for Secular Franciscans</u> By Leonard Foley, OFM, Jovian Wiegel, OFM, Pattie Normile, SFO	<u>From Gospel to Life The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order With Commentary</u> By National Assistant's Commission, Benet A. Fonck, OFM Coordinator
Intended Audience	Reference tool for Formation Team	Reference tool for Formation Team	Initial Formation Ongoing Formation	Initial Formation Ongoing Formation
Book Set Up	8 ½" x 11", 83 pgs © 1986 NAFRA	8 ½" x 11", 38 pgs © 1992 NAFRA	6" x 9", 232 pgs	3 ¾" x 8 ½", 32 pgs © 1997 Franciscan Press
Price (as of 8/2002) Available from:	\$5 / Better Comm. Effort (see above for address etc.) \$6 / Franciscan Resources (see above for address etc.)	\$5 / Better Comm. Effort (see above for address etc.) \$6 / Franciscan Resources (see above for address etc.)	\$10.95 / Franciscan Resources (see above for address etc.)	\$1.25 / Franciscan Resources (see above for address etc.)
Subjects Covered	~ Meaning & Characteristics of Formation ~ Agents of Formation ~ Phases of Formation ~ Content of Formation ~ Methodology of Formation ~ Aspects of Formation	~ Franciscan Formation ~ Methods ~ Evaluation ~ Stages of Formation ~ Agents of Formation ~ Responsible parties of Formation	~ The Foundation / 11 sessions ~ Conversion / 11 sessions ~ Prayer / 8 sessions ~ The Apostolates / 17 sessions ~ practical involvement ~ Structure / 5 sessions ~ commitment to Gospel life in community	~ Text of each article of the Rule ~ Commentary
Use of Reflection Questions	~ Does not need or have Reflection Questions	~ Does not need or have Reflection Questions	~ 2+ end of each session plus Scripture Readings ~ Application to Daily Life	~ Does not have Reflection Questions
Writing Style	~ clear and direct	~ clear and direct	~ straightforward, easily read, universal appeal	~ straightforward, easily read, universal appeal
Use of References	~ SFO Rule ~ Ritual ~ Franciscan Sources ~ SFO Formation texts ~ Vatican II Documents ~ General Constitutions	~ General Constitutions & Rule ~ International Statutes ~ Scripture ~ Vatican II Documents ~ Franciscan Documents ~ SFO Ritual ~ Franciscan Sources	~ Rule / many articles + entire Rule in Appendix ~ Sacred Scripture – many ~ Resource list ~ Suppl books, audio & internet references, Fran Res Centers ~ Vatican II Documents	~ Sacred Scripture ~ Vatican II Documents ~ Church Documents ~ Franciscan Sources ~ OFM Rule