

REVISED

REGULATIONS FOR UNIFORM AND REGALIA

GRAND COMMANDERY OF MISSOURI

XIII. UNIFORM REGULATIONS

FULL DRESS UNIFORM:

The full dress uniform of a Knight Templar shall consist of a dress coat, chapeau or white garrison cap with insignia of rank, shirt, tie, trousers, shoes, gloves, sword belt, sword and appropriate insignia of rank.

DRESS COAT:

The full dress uniform coat shall be black, double breasted, three buttons down each forepart, to close with two or three buttons, no vent in back and be semi to form fitting. Have two lower pockets without flaps, one pocket over left breast, shall have three buttons on each sleeve and all buttons shall be black. Belt hooks may be utilized.

CHAPEAU:

A military chapeau covered with black silk batters plush, edges trimmed with black silk velvet binding. Two black and one white ostrich plumes, so arranged that the black plumes shall show at the edges of the white over plume; Front and rear peaks of chapeau to extend four and one fourth inches from the head; side of chapeau to be beveled, being an inch smaller at the top than at the head. On the left side of the chapeau to a rosette, oval in shape, five inches in height by four inches in width, composed of not less than thirty satin points to the distance of one-half inch from the edge, is laid one row of quilled satin ribbon, in folds from one-eighth to one-fourth inches in height by two and five-eighth inches in width, On the velvet oval shall be a cross, according to rank, as hereafter specified.

For officers with the rank of commander and above, the chapeau shall be trimmed in front with a gold tassel, half round in shape, with bright bullions and dull head; diagonally across the peaks, both sides of front and back, with a band or slasher, according to rank, as hereby specified.

Details of cross and slashers follow

FOR GRAND COMMANDER:

Cross: A Templar Cross of red silk velvet, bordered by a single row of #26 gold bullion embroidery one-fourth of an inch in width (over slightly oval mold); in the center, the cross to be two and one-half inches square including embroidery. No twisted bullion at the several corners or angle of the cross.

Slashers: of black silk velvet, one and one-fourth inches wide, edged with rope pattern embroidery in #26 gold bullion, three-sixteenths of an inch wide, between which shall be embroidered in #26 and #27 gold bullion laurel and olive wreath, in vine, leaf and berry.

FOR PAST GRAND COMMANDERS:

Cross: Same as above described for Grand Commander except with purple centers.
Slashers: Same as above described for Grand Commander.

FOR OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY BELOW THE RANK OF GRAND COMMANDER.

This includes the Grand Sentinel and the Grand Drill Instructor.

Cross: Same as above described for Grand Commander.

Slashers: Of gold wire lace, one and one-fourth inches wide, of vellum pattern (# 1962).

FOR COMMANDERS AND PAST COMMANDERS:

Cross: A Passion Cross of red silk velvet, bordered on each edge with one row of #26 gold bullion embroidery one-fourth inch wide (over slightly oval mold), with rays between the arms of the cross alternately in #26 and #27 gold bullion in open pattern, rays alternately short and long. The cross, including embroidery exclusive of rays, to be three inches high; cross arms to be two inches long; center of the cross between the edges of the embroidery to be three-fourths of an inch wide, the longer lines forming the rays between the arms of the cross being the radius of the circle two and three-eighths inches in diameter measured from the center point of intersection of the arms of the cross, thus extending three-eighths of an inch beyond the three upper arms of the cross, No twisted bullion at the several corners or angles of the cross.

Slashers: Same as above described for Officers of the Grand Commandery below the rank of Grand Commander.

FOR OFFICERS AND SIR KNIGHTS BELOW THE RANK OF COMMANDER:

Cross: A Passion Cross of red velvet, bordered with #26 silver bullion embroidery. The cross to be the same size and dimensions as that prescribed for Commanders and Past Commanders except that said cross shall have no rays.

Slashers: No tassel, band or slashers of any kind whatsoever.

WHITE GARRISON CAP:

White garrison cap with appropriate cross badges according to rank.

For Sir Knights: The cover visor will have NO row of oak leaves and acorns (scrambled eggs)
The cover will have a two inch red metal Passion Cross.

For Past Commanders: The cover visor will have NO row of oak leaves and acorns (scrambled)
Eggs.

The cover will have a two inch gold metal Passion Cross with rays or sunburst.

Grand Commandery Officers: Cover visor will have NO row of oak leaves and acorns (scrambled
Eggs). The cover will have a two inch red metallic Templar Cross.

For Grand Commanders: Cover visor will have one row of oak leaves and acorns (scrambled
Eggs). The cover will have a two inch red Templar Cross.

For Past Grand Commanders: Cover visors will have one row of oak leaves and acorns
(scrambled eggs). The cover will have a two inch purple Templar Cross.

The White Garrison cap may be worn in place of the Chapeau to any templar function, unless it be

Drill, where all Sir Knights must be dressed alike.

COAT:

The full dress uniform coat shall be black, three button, double breasted, to close with two or three buttons, shall be semi to form fitting, with lower pockets without flaps, with pocket over left breast. There shall be three buttons on each sleeve and all buttons shall be black. Belt hooks may be utilized.

TROUSERS:

The trousers shall be of the same material and color as coat, with plain bottoms.

SHIRT:

The shirt shall be white, plain, with collar attached. No ribbed or ruffle material. Can be short sleeve or long sleeve.

TIE:

The tie shall be black, be long with no stick pin, no tie clasp or chain showing.

GLOVES:

Gloves shall be buff colored.

SOCKS:

Socks shall be black and plain.

SHOES:

Shoes shall be black leather.

SHOULDER STRAPS:

The shoulder straps shall be worn with the outer edge on the sleeve seam, the top about one-quarter inch behind the shoulder seam. In constituent commanderies, the Generalissimo shall wear the straps with the square to the outer side and the lamp to the inner side, the Captain General shall wear the straps with the level to the outer side and the cock to the inner side.

The shoulder straps of Officers and Past Officers of a Grand Commandery shall be as follows:

For the Officers of a Grand Commandery, during their incumbency in office: Bright red, silk Velvet two inches wide by four inches long, with one row of gold bullion embroidery, three-Eighths of an inch wide; The Templar Cross, one inch square of gold bullion embroidery in The center of the strap. Gold Mylar may be used as an alternate to gold bullion.

For Past Grand Commanders:

The same as for Officers of a Grand Commandery, except that the color of the Shoulder Strap

Shall be royal purple.

For Past Deputy Grand Commanders, Past Grand Generalissimos and past Grand Captain Generals.

The same as for Grand Commandery Officers; except with the initials of the office respectively,

To be embroidered in Old English characters, of silver bullion, on the lower end of the strap.

The shoulder straps of Officers and Past Officers of Subordinate and Constituent Commanderies Shall be as follows:

For Commanders: Emerald green silk velvet, one and three-fourths inches wide by four inches Long, bordered with one row of embroidery, of gold bullion, three-eighths of an inch wide, the Passion Cross with a halo embroidered of silver bullion in the center; Cross to be one and one-half inches in height; cross to be in proportion to height of cross. Gold Mylar may be used as an alternate to gold bullion.

For Past Commanders: The same as for Commanders; except for the color of the shoulder Strap shall be bright red.

For Generalissimos during incumbency in office: The same as Commanders, except that the Square surmounted with the Paschal Lamb; shall be used instead of the Passion Cross.

For Captain Generals during incumbency in office: The same as Commanders except that the Level surmounted with the Cock, shall be used instead of the Passion Cross.

For Captain Generals who have retired after six full years of service in office, and who have Not attained a higher office: The same as for Captain General except that the color of the Shoulder board shall be bright red.

For Prelates during incumbency in office: The same as Commanders except that the triple Triangle with small Passion Cross in the center shall be used instead of the Passion Cross.

For Prelates who have retired after six full years of service in office and who have not attained A higher office: The same as for Prelates, except that the color of the shoulder strap shall be Bright red.

INSIGNIA:

The word, "MISSOURI", in Gothic gold-colored letters, one-third inch in height, mounted on clasp pin, shall be worn on the center of the upper part of the top of the pocket on the left breast. The top of the bar to be on a line with the top of the pocket, and on center of the pocket.

Enameled metal crosses, one inch in height, with cross arms in proportion, mounted on pin clasps, shall be worn on the lower part of collar of the coat, on each side.

Cross to be worn in vertical position, bottom of cross one inch above point where collar and lapel joins, sides of arms equal distance from outer edge of collar and collar seam.

Enameled metal crosses, one and three-fourth inches in height, with cross arms in proportion, shall be worn on the outer side of sleeve, in the center, lower part of the cross one inch above the cuff edge of the sleeve.

For officers and members of constituent commanderies the crosses shall be the red passion cross, same for both collar and sleeve.

For Commanders and Past Commanders of constituent commanderies, a gold-colored background, with red passion with rays superimposed with red enamel, same for both collar and sleeve.

For officers of the Grand Commandery, a red Templar Cross.

For past officers of the Grand Commandery, a red Templar Cross.

For Past Grand Commanders, a royal purple Templar Cross.

GRAND COMMANDERS AND PAST GRAND COMMANDERS CORDS:

The Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Missouri shall be given the option of wearing of a red cord, worn around the neck with jewel suspended. The cord to have tassels at the ends to be held together by sliding holders. Past Grand Commanders the same as Grand commander except cord to be of Royal Purple.

SHOULDER CORDS:

Cords of distinct color may be worn on the left shoulder to distinguish rank or appointment to specific positions:

Green cord: To be worn by current Regional Grand Commanders.

Red cords: Can be worn by past Regional Grand Commanders

White cords: To be worn by current inner guards.

Silver cords: To be worn by current aide-de-camps.

Other color cords as may be the pleasure of current Grand Commanders.

JEWELS:

Only Templar Jewels are to be worn on the Templar Uniform. Meritorious Jewels, Jewels of Office, Badge of Commanderies, and Malta Jewel, in order named, the ranking jewel on the right and the Malta Jewel on the left, and shall be worn on the left breast of coat one inch below the word "MISSOURI".

Jewels to be worn and rank; Grand Commandery Officer, Past Grand Commander, Commander or Past Commander, Jewel of Office, Commandery Badge, Past Commanders Association, Drill and Malta Jewel.

If only the Malta Jewel is worn, it shall be directly below the center of the word "MISSOURI", on the left breast of coat; if two or more jewels are worn they shall be to the right and left of the center of the word "MISSOURI", the Malta Jewel on the left.

Military Service Bar: The military service ribbon is to worn above the word "MISSOURI" and centered.

KYCH Bar: The KYCH bar is to be worn above the word "MISSOURI".

If both the KYCH and the MILITARY service bar are worn the Military Service bar is to be worn To the inside of the KYCH bar.

BELT:

The belt shall be made of Black grain leather, one and three-quarters inches wide, garrison style and equipped with three slings of plain black leather on which to hang the sword; these shall be seven-eighths of an inch wide, two short and one long suspended by clasps or other suitable means of attachment to

inside of the belt. Each sling to have lengthening buckles and heavy metal swivels at the lower ends. On the second sling at the lower edge of the belt to be placed a rigid metal sword hook..

The belt shall have silver colored fittings for the Sir Knights, and gold colored fittings for Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, Commanders and Past Commanders.

All members of competitive Asylum or Field Teams shall wear the same style belt.

BELT BUCKLE:

The belt buckle shall be rectangular in shape, two by three inches, Of hard metal with one-eighth inch polished, raised, beveled edge, without ornamentation whatsoever except the face stippled in vermicelli pattern, dull finish; Passion Cross of red hard enamel, perpendicular arm one and one-fourth inches, transverse arm seven-eighths of an inch; said cross to be without rays and in center of plate, over which shall be displayed in semi-circle, the words, “ In Hoc Signo Vincet”, in block letters in relief, with polished face; the plate to be attached to the belt with a French fastener, and return end to be held in place by sliding loop of black strap leather one half inch in width. The plate shall be devoid of any jeweled ornamentation of any kind whatsoever, and no name or inscription shall be placed thereon other than that prescribed; provided however, that Officers of the Grand Commandery shall substitute for the red enameled Passion cross in the center of the plate, a Templar cross in red hard enamel, one and one-half inches square; and Commanders and Past Commanders shall wear the Passion cross, as above described, except with rays around the intersection of the arms of the cross. Past Grand Commanders will wear the Templar cross in Royal Purple hard enamel. For Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Past Commanders and Commanders the buckle shall be gold plated. For all other Sir Knights the buckle shall be silver plated.

SWORD AND SCABBARD:

The sword shall be thirty-four to forty inches in length, inclusive of scabbard, with helmet head at pommel, straight cross guard, metal scabbard, white grip. The scabbard to have three hard metal mountings, two metal rings at upper and one at lower mount. For Grand Officers, Past Grand Commanders, Commanders and Past Commanders , the white grip to be ornamented in front with monogram of owner, and opposite side with Pass Cross and rays, all metal to be gold plate. There shall be no chain from pommel to cross guard.

For all other Sir Knights, same as for Commanders except all metal trimmings shall be silver plate and grip of sword shall be black, without monogram of owner. On the black grip shall be inlaid the Passion Cross of silver or white metal, without rays.

PRELATE ROBE:

The prelate may wear a prelates robe of optional style or uniform at meetings, conclaves or drill,

OPTIONAL TEMPLAR UNIFORM FOR CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES:

Cap, Mantle, trousers, inside leather or nylon belt and sling, sword and scabbard, gloves, black shoes, Black socks, white shirt, long black tie. Officers of Commanderies may wear the Cap and Mantle as Prescribed by Grand Encampment in lieu of dress coat and chapeau only when all officers are so Clothed. This uniform may be worn to any Templar function. It is recommended that only the jewel

Of office and the Malta Jewel to be worn.

FATIGUE UNIFORM:

Fatigue Caps: Knights: Pershing style cap or Bell type cap of black cloth. Visor of black leather And gold band one-half inches wide and attached to corner of visor by gold plated cross and crown Buttons. In the center of the cap a red enameled passion cross two-inches in height.

For Commanders and Past Commanders: The same except Passion Cross with rays.

For Grand officers: The same as Commanders except a two inch wide band of Gold lace bullion And a red Templar Cross two-inches in height.

For Grand Commanders: The same as Commander except the visor to have one row of oak Leaves and acorns (scrambled eggs). Velvet band with gilt bullion embroidery of a laurel and Olive vine, in leaf and berry pattern.

For Past Grand Commanders: The same as for Grand Commander except the Templar Cross to Be in royal purple.

Dress coat: The same as the dress uniform without the belt and sword.

All other items the same as the dress uniform.

The Fatigue Hat is NOT authorized for wear, during the execution of any Knight Templar Order,

During the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery or during any Grand Encampment or Department assembly.

SUMMER UNIFORM:

The Summer Uniform for KT-MO is authorized for wear from March 1 through October 31

Of each calendar year, unless otherwise authorized by order of the Grand Commander, the Summer Uniform is NOT authorized for wear, during the execution of any Knight Templar Order, During the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery or during any Grand Encampment or Department assembly.

The Summer Uniform shall consist of a cover, shirt, trouser, belt and shoes. Neck ties, sword sling, Or belt, and swords are not to be worn, unless authorized by the Grand Commander for Class "C" Drill competition

COVER: The same as for Fatigue uniform, black or white caps with proper rank insignia.

SHIRT: Shirt will be a white, short sleeve with epaulettes on the shoulders, to be worn open at the Neck.

TROUSERS: The same as prescribed for the full dress uniform.

SHOES: The same as prescribed for the full dress uniform.

INSIGNIA—APPLIES TO ALL:

A metal bar depicting the Commandery, Malta Cross and Red Cross emblems can be worn over the Left breast pocket.

A metal ribbon representing Military Service and/or KYCH in that order and centered above the 3 order bar.

The "MISSOURI" bar to be above and centered the other bars.

A name tag can be worn above the right breast pocket, name tag shall be the same as dress uniform.

Collar pins will be centered and approximately one-half inch up from the point of collar, Pins will

Consist of the letters KT on right collar and MO on left collar. Silver in color for those under the Rank of Commander and gold for those of Commander and above.

EPAULETTES: The same one-inch metal crosses according to rank as the dress uniform.

BELT: Belt will be leather or military web style with a military style buckle.

COMMITTEE:

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