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DRESS UNIFORM

The Templar Dress Uniform of an officer or member of a Constituent Commandery of Utah Shall be as follows:

(A) For Commanders

Coat AA

The Templar Dress Coat AA shall be a (3) three button, double breasted, square-cut form fitting sack coat, unvented, with peak lapels, to close with three buttons. With two lower set-in pockets with flaps, and one set-in pocket on left breast without flap. At wearers left side, near the pocket closing and his waist line, a four-inch horizontal slit opening with zipper closing, to allow sword belt slings (black in color) to be worn on concealed belt or on trouser waist belt. Coat is to be made of either black broadcloth, black unfinished worsted, black serge, black tropical worsted or black un-textured double knit and to be one-quarter lined. Buttons to be of black metal composition with raised cross and crown. Two rows of three buttons each on front of coat, two buttons on each sleeve at cuff. No lapel pins to be worn.

Belt

No belt to be worn with uniform coat AA

Coat AB

The Templar Dress Coat AB shall be a three button, double breasted, square-cut, form fitting sack coat, unvented, with peak lapels, to close with three buttons. With two lower set-in pockets with flaps, and one set-in pocket on left breast without flap. Coat is to be made of either black broadcloth, black unfinished worsted, black serge, black tropical worsted or black un-textured double knit, and to be one-quarter lined, Buttons to be of plain black composition. Two rows of three buttons each on front of coat, two buttons on each sleeve at cuff. No lapel pins to be worn.

Belt for Coat AB

The belt shall be of black grain leather, (1 $\frac{3}{4}$) one and three-fourths inches wide, mounted with a lace, woven of gold plated stripes, four of gold and three of black, the black stripes to be of equal width and the gold stripes to be (5/32) five-thirty seconds of an inch wide. The belt clasped with gold plated belt plate of a pattern hereinafter described and to have three slings of black grain leather or barrel chains of suitable design, on which to hang the sword, each to be (7/8) seven-eighths of an inch wide, two short and one long, upon the leather slings shall be mounted a lace of the same material as that of the belt, (3/4) three-fourths of an inch wide consisting of two stripes of gold, each (5/32) five-thirty seconds of an inch and one of black. The slings to be suspended by gold plated clasps from a leather strap, fastened to the inside of the belt; each sling to have lengthening buckles and heavy gold plated swivels at the lower ends. Barrel chains to be suspended by gold plated chain hangers. On the second sling at the lower edge of the belt to be placed a gold plated rigid sword hook. The belt plate shall be

rectangular in shape (2) two by (3) three inches in size, of hard metal, with (1/8) one eighth inch polished raised beveled edge, without ornamentation whatsoever, except the face stippled in vermicelli pattern, dull finish. In the center of the plate shall be the Passion Cross of hard enamel, bright red in color; perpendicular arm of the cross (1 ¼) one and one quarter inch; transverse arm (7/8) seven-eighths of an inch; said Cross to be with rays between the arms, and over it shall be displayed in a Semi-Circle the words "In Hoc Signo Vinces" in Black block style letters in relief, with polished face. The plate is to be attached to the belt with a French fastener, and the return end of the belt is to be held in place by a sliding loop of black leather, (1/2) one half inch in width. The plate shall be devoid of any jeweled ornamentation on any kind whatsoever and no name or inscription shall be placed thereon other than that described.

Shoulder Straps

Emerald green silk velvet, (1 $\frac{3}{2}$) one and three fourths inches wide by (4) four inches long, bordered with one row of embroidery, of gilt or real gold bullion, (3/8) three-eighths of an inch wide, the Passion Cross with a halo embroidered of silver bullion in the center; Cross to be (1 $\frac{1}{2}$) one and one half inches in height; cross arm to be in proportion to height of Cross. Shoulder straps to be placed (1/2) one-half inch from the shoulder seam.

Sleeve Crosses

Red Enameled Passion Cross with gold colored border and rays, total height (1) one inch with cross in proportion, fitted with clutch back fasteners. Or a Passion Cross of bright red silk velvet, embroidered on each edge with one row of either No. 26 gilt or real gold bullion embroidery, (3/16) three-sixteenths of an inch in width, with open rays between the arms of the Cross alternately in either No. 25 and No. 26 gilt or real gold bullion embroidery. The Cross, including embroidery, to be (2) two inches in height; Cross arm to be (1 1/3) one and one-third inches long; center of the Cross between edges of embroidery to be (3/16) three-sixteenths of an inch wide. (No twisted bullion at the several corners or angles of the Cross.) Gold Mylar may be used as an alternate to gold bullion. The position of the cross shall be centered on outside of sleeve, bottom of cross to be (2) two inches above bottom of sleeve.

Trousers

The trousers shall be of the same material as the coat, standard military cut, without cuffs or ornamentation of any kind.

Chapeau

A military chapeau shall be trimmed with black silk velvet binding, and with two black and one white ostrich plume, so arranged that the black plumes shall show at edges distinctly and the end of the white plume shall not extend beyond the chapeau more than (3) three inches, the length and width to be in proportion to the size of the Sir Knights. Front and rear peaks of the chapeau to extend (4 1/4) four and one quarter inches from the head; diagonally across the peaks, both front and back, a band of gold plated wire lace, (15) fifteen lignes wide of vellum pattern (No. 1962); in front a gilt or gold plated tassel, half round in shape with bright bullions and dull head; on the left side a rosette, oval in shape (5) five inches in height by (4) four inches in width, composed of not less than (33) thirty three satin points, in single fold, on top of which so as to display said points to the distance of (2) two inches from the edge is laid one row of plate satin ribbon, in folds (1/8) one-eighth inch to (1/4) one quarter inch wide, and on top of this is laid an oval black silk velvet rosette (outlined with gilt jaceron cord), (3 1/4) three and one quarter inch in height by (2 5/8) two and five-eighths inches in width, thus displaying the pleated satin ribbon around the edges of said velvet rosette to a distance of (3/8) three eighths to (1/2) one half inch. On the velvet oval shall be the Passion Cross, the upright arm (3) three inches and the transverse are (2) two inches of bright red silk velvet, bordered by No 26 gilt or real gold embroidery (1/4) one quarter inch wide, leaving the velvet exposed in the center to the width of (5/16) five-sixteenths inch. Said Cross to have at the points of intersection alternate rays of No 26 and No 27 gild or real gold bullion embroidery in open pattern. (No twisted bullion at the several corners or angles of the Cross). Gold Mylar may be used as an alternate to gold bullion.

Sword and Scabbard

The sword shall be (34) thirty four to (40) forty inches in length, inclusive of the scabbard with helmet head at pommel, straight cross guard, white grip. The scabbard to have three hard metal mountings, two metal rings at upper and one at lower mount. The white grip to be ornamented in front with monogram of the owner and the opposite side with Passion Cross with rays. All metal to be gold plate. There shall be no chain from pommel to cross guard.

Shirt

The shirt is to be plain white with the collar to be of same material as shirt. The collar is to be turned down.

Neck Tie

The neck tie is to be plain black with no ornamentation, tied in a "four-in-hand" or "Windsor" knot.

Gloves

Gloves to be buff-colored, of lisle thread or chamoisette.

Shoes

The shoes to be of black – leather with no ornamentation.

For Past Commanders

The entire full dress uniforms AA or AB shall be the same as that for Commanders, except that the color of the shoulder straps shall be bright red.

For Generalissimo During Incumbency In Office

The entire full dress uniforms AA or AB shall be the same as that for Commanders except for the following;

Shoulder Straps

The same as for Commanders, except that the Square surmounted with the Paschal Lamb be used instead of the Passion Cross.

Sleeve Crosses

The emblem on the coat sleeves shall be the Passion Cross of bright red enameled metal with silver colored border and shall have no rays; total height (1) one inch with cross arms in proportion, fitted with clutch back fastener, or of bright red silk velvet, embroidered on each edge with one row of No. 26 silver plated bullion embroidery; the Cross of the same dimensions as for Commanders, except it shall have no rays. (No twisted bullion at the several corners or angles of the Cross.)

Chapeau

The same as for Commanders, except that there shall be no tassel or side lace of any kind whatsoever, and on the rosette shall be a bright red silk velvet Passion Cross, bordered with No 26 silver plated bullion embroidery (outlined with silver jaceron cord) of the same size and dimensions as for Commanders, except that said Cross shall have no rays.

Sword and Scabbard

Same as for Commanders, except all metal trimmings shall be silver plate and grip of sword shall be white. The Passion Cross on grip shall be without rays. There shall be no chain from pommel to cross guard.

Belt for Coat AB

Same as for Commanders, except that mountings shall be silver plated and the lace on belt body and the slings shall have silver plated wire substituted for gold plated wire. The belt plate shall be the same as for Commanders, except the plate shall be of white metal or silver plate and the Passion Cross without rays between the arms of the Cross.

For Captain General During Incumbency in Office

The entire full dress uniforms AA or AB for Captain General shall be the same as for Generalissimos except for the following;

Shoulder Straps

The same as for Generalissimos, except the Level surmounted with the Cock shall be used instead of the Square and Paschal Lamb.

For Sir Knights and Officers Below the Rank of Captain General

The entire full dress uniforms AA or AB for Sir Knights and Officers below the rank of Captain General shall be the same as for Generalissimo, except the *Shoulder Straps are Omitted*.

The Templar Dress Uniform of an Officer of the Grand Commandery and for a Past Grand Commander are as follows:

For Grand Commandery Officers During Incumbency in Office

The entire full dress uniform shall be the same as that of Commanders, except the following;

Coat

Coat AA is the only coat to be worn by Grand Commandery Officers.

Shoulder Straps

Bright red silk velvet, (2) two inches wide by (4) four inches long, with one row of either gilt or real gold bullion embroidery, (3/8) three-eighths inch wide; The Templar Cross, (1) one inch square, of either gilt or real gold bullion embroidery in the center of the strap.

Sleeve Crosses

Red enameled Templar Cross with gold border, Cross height to be (1) one inch with Cross in proportion; fitted with clutch black fasteners. Or red velvet, embroidered on each edge with one row of either No. 26 gilt or real gold bullion embroidery, and (2) two inches in height. It is optional to have 1 small red stone placed at intersection of Cross. Sleeve Crosses are positioned as for Commander.

Chapeau

Same as for Commander, except that the rosette shall have a Templar Cross of red velvet, bordered with a single row of No 26 gilt or gold bullion embroidery, (1/4) one quarter inch width. Said Cross to be (2 ¼) two and one quarter inches square, including embroidery. It is optional to have 1 small red stone at intersection of Cross

Belt

No belt is to worn with this uniform.

For Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Utah

The entire full dress uniform for a Past Grand Commander of this jurisdiction shall be the same as for the Grand Commandery Officer, except for the following;

Shoulder Straps

The same as for officers of a Grand Commandery except that the color of the shoulder strap shall be royal purple.

Sleeve Crosses

Purple enameled Templar Cross with gold border, Cross height to be (1) one inch with Cross in proportion, fitted with clutch back fasteners. Or Purple velvet embroidered on each edge with one row of either No. 26 gilt or real gold bullion embroidery, and (2) two inches in height; *It is optional for 1 small purple stone to be placed at intersection of Cross*. Sleeve Crosses are positioned as for Commanders.

Chapeau

Same as for Grand Commandery Officers, except the rosette shall have a Templar Cross of purple velvet, bordered with a single row of No 26 gilt or gold bullion embroidery (1/4) one quarter inch in width. Said Cross to be (2 ¼) two and one quarter inches square, including embroidery. It is optional for 1 small purple stone to be placed at intersection of Cross.

Belt

No belt to be worn with this uniform.

FATIGUE CAP

A Templar Fatigue Cap shall be authorized for wear at all occasions except those specifically requiring the Dress Uniform.

For Commanders

<u>Cap</u>

As prescribed in Section 251 of Chapter XIX Uniforms, of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar USA.

The cap shall be a bell crown cap of black silk with three welts, the total depth three and three-eighth inches; diameter across the top, eight and three-quarters inches for a cap of size seven, the top to be one-eighth of an inch larger or smaller for every size above or below size seven. The sides to be made in four pieces; to be one and one-half inches between the upper welts and stiffened with haircloth and wire around the crown, Visor to be of black patent leather one and three-fourths inches deep at the center and of green color underneath; to droop at an angle of forth-five degrees. Front strap to be flat and to be of four ligne gold wire lace with two vellums (No 1962) stitched on leather with two loops of the same pattern of lace; strap attached at the corners of the visor by

gold cross and crown Knights Templar buttons. Between the lower welts of the cap, a band of gold wire lace, 18 lignes wide of two vellums (No 1962) and on front of cap to be a Passion Cross of bright red silk velvet, embroidered on each edge with one row of No 26 gilt or real gold bunion embroidery, three-sixteenths of an inch in width with open rays between the arms of the cross alternately in No 25 and No 26 gilt or real gold bullion embroidery. The cross, including embroidery, to be two inches in height; cross arm to be one and one-third inches long; center of the cross between edges of embroidery to be three-sixteenths of an inch wide (No twisted bullion at the several comers or angles of the cross.)

For Past Commanders

The Fatigue Cap for Past Commanders shall be the same as for Commanders.

For All Other Officers and Members

Same as for Commanders except the band shall be of black silk velour with narrow leather strap. The buttons shall be silver plated. The cross shall be of the same size as commanders except that the embroidery shall be of silver plated bullion, and the cross shall have no rays.

For Grand Commandery Officers During Incumbency in Office

Same as for Commanders except there shall be a Templar cross of bright red silk velvet; and, including embroidery shall be two inches in height and width.

For Past Grand Commanders

Same as for Grand Commandery Officers, except the Templar Cross shall be of royal purple velvet.

MILITARY STYLE NAVAL DRESS CAP

In lieu of the chapeau, The Grand Commandery of Utah, has adopted a Military Style Naval Dress Cap of the following description:

For Past Grand Commanders

Military Style Naval Dress Cap with white top, black band, and black visor with one row of gold oak leaves and acorns, metal purple Templar Cross 2 ¼ inches square, fixed to the front of the black band and a gold chin strap attached with gold buttons.

For Grand Commander

Same as above except red Templar Cross.

For Grand Commandery officers

Same as Grand Commander except plain black visor.

For Commanders and Past Commanders

Same as above except with a 1 3/8 x 2-inch red metal Passion Cross trimmed in gold with rays.

For all other Sir Knights

Same as above except using a red metal Passion Cross trimmed in silver with a silver chin strap attached with silver buttons.

TEMPLAR CAP AND MANTLE

Templar Mantle

In general, the mantle shall be of the style worn by medieval Templar's and by members of the Sovereign Great Priories. It shall consist of white material with hood reaching to approximately twelve inches from the floor and ornamented as follows;

For members of the Order below the rank of Commander

The mantle shall be of white, the hood to be lined with silky white material; the Passion Cross in bright red, nine inches in height, on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with white cords with white tassels.

For Commanders and Past Commanders

The mantle shall have a single red ribbon, one (1) inch wide, stitched one-half (1/2) inch from the outer edge; the hood to be lined with a similar red material; the Passion Cross in red with gold rays, nine (9) inches in height, on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with red cords with red tassels.

For Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers entitled to permanent rank

The mantle shall have the ribbon of a Past Commander and an additional red ribbon one-half (1/2) inch wide, stitched one-half (1/2) inch from said ribbon; the Templar Cross in red. Nine (9) inches in height, on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with red cords and red tassels.

For Grand Commanders

The mantle shall have a single red ribbon, two (2) inches wide, stitched one (1) inch from the outer edge; the hood lined in red with a similar material; the Templar Cross in red. Nine (9) inches in height on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with red cords and red tassels.

For Past Grand Commanders

The mantle shall have a single Purple ribbon, one and one-half (1 %) inches wide, stitched three quarters (%) of an inch from the outer edge; the hood lined in purple with similar material; and the Templar Cross in purple material on the left breast, nine (9) inches in height; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with purple cords and purple tassels.

No other ornamentation or Templar jewels or recognitions shall be worn on the Templar Mantle

Templar Cap

The Templar cap shall follow the design and specifications of the style worn by the Sovereign Great Priories, three in depth and very slightly flared at the top.

For all members of the Order below the rank of Past Grand Commander

The cap shall be of bright red velvet (or silk) and the cross displayed on the front of the cap shall be appropriate to rank. Red Passion Cross for members below the rank of Commander; Red Passion Cross with rays for Commanders and Past Commanders; and Red Templar Cross for all Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers entitled to permanent rank. For **ALL Ranks** the Cross shall be 2 inches high

For Past Grand Commanders.

The cap shall be of purple velvet (or Silk) with purple Templar Cross.

Commandery Badge

The distinctive badge of a constituent Commandery shall be worn on the right breast of the mantle. The badge will be no less than five (5) inches or more than eight (8) inches high. The badge of the Commandery shall be superimposed upon the Malta Cross, or the Malta Cross shall be incorporated within the Commandery badge. The design shall be approved by the Grand Commandery Committee on Jewels and Uniforms.

Sword and Scabbard

The sword and scabbard shall conform to the regulations of the Grand Encampment.

Sword Sling

The sword shall be suspended, when required to be worn, on a sling to be worn over the right shoulder, or black leather one and one half (1 ½) inches wide, of tailored or adjustable length according to the height of the Sir Knight, to terminate in two straps with snaps to fasten to two upper rings of the scabbard.

Coat

A suit coat may be worn as weather dictates. It shall be black and should match the trousers, no medals or jewels of office shall be worn on the coat.

Trousers

Trousers shall be black, no cuffs or ornamentation of any kind.

Shirt

Plain White long sleeve with collar of same material

Necktie, Shoes and Socks

Same as required with Dress Uniform.

SUMMER UNIFORM

A Summer Uniform has been adopted by The Grand Commandery of Utah, and is authorized for use for the period beginning with Memorial Day and Continuing through Labor Day of Each Year.

Shirt

White shirt, short sleeve, of military style with shoulder epaulets and two flap pockets, one on each breast.

<u>Pants</u>

Plain black with no cuffs or ornamentation of any kind.

Tie

Plain black with no ornamentation of any kind. The wearing of the tie is optional at the discretion of the Senior Officer Present.

Sword Belt and Sword

The use of a sword belt and sling are optional and are at the discretion of the Senior Officer. The use of sword slings is not allowed. The sword belt and sword are the same as prescribed in the Dress Uniform regulations according to rank and office.

Shoes

Black as prescribed in the Dress Uniform regulations.

Name Badge

The name badge shall be of metal, gold color, (½) one half inch wide by (2 ½) two and one half inches long, with the full name of the wearer in black letters to be worn centered above the wearer's right pocket.

Malta Jewel

A Malta Pin of design, available from the Grand Encampment Office, shall be worn centered over the wearer's left pocket. (Option instead of pin: A metal ribbon bar, representing Commandery Jewels, to be worn centered over the wearer's left pocket. The metal bar shall contain three black panels, each surrounded with a silver line, each panel (½) one half inch high by (1) one inch wide. On the left panel shall be centered a miniature Red Jewel, on the center panel shall be centered a miniature Malta Jewel, and on the right panel, shall be a Templar Cross with a Cross and Crown in the center). The jewel of office may be worn.

Shoulder Insignia

For Grand Commandery Officers: A Red Templar Cross surrounded by a gold line, (1) one inch square, to be worn in the center of each epaulet. For Past Grand Commanders: The same except the color shall be purple. For Past Commanders, Commanders, Generalissimos, and Captains General: A metal bar, (3/4) three-quarters inch by (1 1/2) one and one half inch of green or red color surrounded by a gold or silver line, as appropriate to the office, with appropriate emblems of their rank as currently prescribed to be worn centered on each epaulet. Essentially these are miniatures of currently prescribed shoulder straps in metal, and of similar configuration.

Collar Insignia

For Grand or Past Grand Commandery Officers, shall be (½) one half inch gold "UT" cut out letters (no periods) to be worn on the wearer's left collar, and (½) one half inch gold "KT" cut out letters (without periods) on the right collar.

Commanders or Past Commanders, (½) one half inch State abbreviation as above on left collar with (½) one half inch cut out gold Commandery Number on right collar. Sir Knights below the rank of Commander are the same as for Commanders and Past Commanders, except the color shall be silver.

These insignia to be worn centered on the collar and parallel with the top edge and set back (%) three-quarters inch from the leading edge of the collar.

<u>Cap</u>

The Military style Naval Garrison Cap as previously described in the uniform regulations is the only cap to be worn with the Summer Uniform.

Grand Encampment Regulation

CHAPTER XXI

UNIFORMS OF GRAND AND CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

Section 256. Templar uniforms may be worn for all Templar occasions, provided that when appearing in public, the entire Commandery MUST be dressed in like manner – either in Regulation Uniform, Cap and Mantle, Summer Uniform or Ceremonial Uniform. (1940, p 257-315) (1952, p 572-581) (1955, p 463-470) (1979, p. 132-134) (1988 Pages 198-199)(2003 Pages 91-94)(2012)

All members of The Grand Commandery or constituent Commanderies in Utah, must be dressed in like manner including headwear during **ANY** occasion the Templar Uniform is worn. The constituent Commanderies may differ from each other, but all members of such Commandery need to be dressed in like manner.

REGULATION JEWELRY, ORNAMENTATION OR ADORNMENT OF UNIFORMS

The **ONLY** authorized equipment other than previously described to be worn on any Knights Templar Uniform of the State of Utah consists of the following, worn with the top of the medal or jewel aligned with the top of the wearers left breast pocket. No Lapel Pins or jewels may be worn on the lapels of Templar Uniforms.

Jewels from the wearer's right to left are as follows;

Jewel of Office, Meritorious Jewels, and Malta Jewel.

A jewel of the Past Commanders Association or Past Prior of the Past Commanders Association is considered a meritorious jewel.

A maximum of 4 jewels may be worn on the Templar Uniform and one of those jewels must be the Malta Jewel.

The jewels authorized for wear in the State of Utah are:

1. Order of Malta, 2. Past Commander Association or Past Prior of Past Commanders Association, 3. Past Eminent Commander, 4. Jewel of Office of Constituent Commandery, 5. Jewel of Office of Grand Commandery 6. Jewel of Past Grand Commander. Awards of the Knight Templar Cross of Honor can also be worn on the left breast, or suspended from a red ribbon from the neck.

Only one jewel of office shall be worn at one time.

The State name (UTAH), gold in color, one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) inch in height shall be worn one (1) inch above the left pocket and centered above the jewels.

The following uniform bars are authorized, and wear is optional;

If authorized to wear the Veteran Service bar by virtue of service in The Armed Forces, it may be worn one-half($\frac{1}{2}$) inch above the left pocket and centered above the jewels.

If authorized to wear the Meritorious Service (KYCH) uniform bar by virtue of membership in the Knights of York Cross of Honor (KYCH), it may be worn one-half (½) inch above the left pocket and centered above the jewels. The blue square of the bar will be situated to the wearers right.

If authorized to wear both the Veteran Service and Meritorious Service bars, a dual bar may be worn in the same manner as described for the single bar.