

COLOR GUARD - CEREMONIAL PROCEDURES

Minimum Color Guard shall be at least two flag bearers, and two Guards with or without arms.

PROCEDURE

1. The National Flag carrier shall be the Guard Commander regardless of rank.
2. If more than two flags are carried they will be carried in accordance with the Marine Corps Drill and Ceremonies Manual and NTP-13.
3. Drill cards may be taped to the staff of the National Colors if needed.
4. Once having reported in and been given permission to proceed, the full drill shall be executed without breaks.
5. Upon presenting colors, the Color Guard Commander reports
“_____ unit requests permission to continue with Color Guard Drill, Sir.”
6. When executing the Drill there shall be no more than ten paces between movements.
7. The following sequence of movements shall be followed exactly:

Carry COLORS
Forward MARCH
Present COLORS (report)
Carry COLORS
Counter MARCH
Left Turn MARCH
Right Turn MARCH
Colors HALT
Order COLORS
Parade REST
ATTENTION
Carry COLORS
Forward MARCH
Eyes RIGHT
Ready FRONT
Colors HALT
Order COLORS

JUDGING

Each Unit shall receive 50 Participation Points.

Units shall earn from 10 to 40 points in each of the following:

- Military Bearing
- Unit Formation
- Appearance
- Adherence to exact procedure
- Guard Commander Performance