

Section 15 - TNSSAR Patriot Color Guard

Chapters -

1. It is suggested that at least two (2) Compatriots from each Chapter have a uniform. These Compatriots are to conduct Flag Ceremonies for Chapter and local community events.
2. Uniforms need not be identical (our Patriot Ancestors did not wear identical uniforms).
3. Feel free to call on other TNSSAR Chapters who have Patriot Color Guard members to assist with your Ceremonies when appropriate.
4. There will be certain State and National SAR meetings in which your Color Guard members will wish to participate. Keep in mind that if you march in State and/or National events, the State or National Color Guard Commander will be in charge.
5. A list of uniformed Patriots will be maintained at State level in order to coordinate activities and keep everyone apprised of progress.
6. Sources of supply for uniforms, equipment, and other supplies will be available from the TNSSAR Color Guard Committee.
7. Each Chapter or group of Color Guards is urged to choose a preferred Uniform and Hat Cockade for their Color Guard unless members have a personal reason for wearing a particular Uniform. (Such as a replica uniform that one's SAR patriot ancestor wore). The common Uniform will aid in identification at Flag Ceremonies and give a feeling of unity to the group.

State -

8. Please do not obligate Color Guard participation of members not in your Chapter without clearing the event with the TNSSAR Color Guard Chairman. If your event requires more than just your Chapter members, you **must** clear outside members through the Chairman or his designee.
9. Some Color Guards have restrictions on wearing SAR medals on Colonial/Color Guard uniforms. Check with the appropriate Color Guard Chairman or Commander before participating with medals on your uniform.
10. If you are planning to participate in a State Color Guard function, please contact the TNSSAR Color Guard Chairman and let him know if you plan on bringing any special equipment - Musket, Flag holder, Flag pole, Special Flag, Drum, Fife,

etc.

11. The TNSSAR Color Guard Chairman or his designee will be the Color Guard Commander for all TNSSAR functions.
12. The following are suggested appropriate occasions when a Patriot Color Guard participate:
 - a. SAR Meetings - Local, State, and National
 - b. DAR and CAR Meetings
 - c. Grave markings and wreath layings in conjunction with Patriot's graves or deceased Compatriot's graves.
 - d. Chapter installations
 - e. Holidays, to include but not limited to:
 1. Independence Day
 2. Memorial Day
 3. Flag Day
 4. Constitution Day
 5. George Washington's Birthday
 6. President's Day
 7. Truman's Birthday
 - f. Special Presentations
 1. New Citizen Ceremonies
 2. Heritage Celebrations
 3. Historical Commission Presentations.

National -

13. The National Color Guard Chairman or his designee shall be the Color Guard Commander for all NSSAR functions.
14. SAR medals are not worn at National Color Guard functions.