### Curriculum on Military Courtesy

# "Everyday Cadet Courtesies"

Since 1911



# **Daily Cadet Courtesies Agenda**

- A1. Introduction to Military Courtesy
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### INTRODUCTION TO MILITARY COURTESY

A1. Describe what military courtesy is and why it's important in the Cadet Corps.



### **Introduction to Courtesy**

#### Military Courtesy:

A required set of rules that govern how members of the military (or Cadet Corps) address and treat each other.

#### Found in:

Tradition

Regulation

Unit Pride

The courtesy you learn and practice here in the Cadet Corps will also prepare you for success in any occupation you choose, not just the military.





"When restraint and courtesy are added to strength, the latter becomes irresistible."

Mahatma Gandhi





# **Check on Learning**

- 1. T / F Military Courtesy is a one-way street.
- 2. What do you think is the most important reason to practice courtesy?
  - 1. It's Required and in the Regulations
  - 2. It will prepare you for your future
  - 3. Order and Discipline of the unit
  - 4. A good way to treat people, and be treated
- 3. What do you think is different about <u>military</u> courtesy?



### RANK

A2. Identify all Cadet Corps and US Army ranks. Be familiar with the military history of rank. Understand the purpose of each rank.



## **History of Rank**

- CACC Adapted its rank from the US Army (1911)
- US Army adapted its rank from the British (1780s)
- British rank developed out of
  - Aristocracy
    - That's why we have Officers, Commissions, and Warrants
  - Medieval Europe
    - That's why we have French and Spanish words (lieutenant, colonel, etc)
- Rank has been in use since ancient times (at least 500 b.c.)
- In thousands of years, only a few militaries (Communist) have attempted to eliminate rank...only to return to them because of no command and control.





# Fun Facts About Rank

- "Lieutenant" comes from the French "lieu" meaning "place" and "tenant" meaning "holding." Literally, lieutenants are placeholders.
- The British originally corrupted the French pronunciation, pronouncing the word, "lieuftenant."
- While majors outrank lieutenants, lieutenant generals outrank major generals.
- Gold is worth more than silver, but silver outranks gold.
- Colonel is pronounced "kernal" because the British adopted the French spelling "colonel" but the Spanish pronunciation was "coronel" which became more popular.
- While rank insignia is important, sometimes it isn't smart to wear them. When the rifled musket made its appearance in the Civil War, sharpshooters looked for officers. Officers soon learned to take off their rank insignia as they approached the battle line.



### **Cadet Corps Ranks**

- Rank determines who gets to tell whom what to do.
- Higher rank = more authority and responsibility
- CACC rank categories:
  - 1. Field Grade Officers outrank...
  - 2. Company Grade Officers outrank...
  - 3. Warrant Officers outrank...
  - 4. Senior Sergeants outrank...
  - 5. Sergeants outrank...
  - 6. Entry Level Cadets





With each rank comes new leadership lessons.



## Cadet Corps Ranks

- Recruit
- Cadet
- Cadet First Class
- Corporal
- Sergeant
- Staff Sergeant
- Sergeant First Class
- Master Sergeant
- First Sergeant
- Sergeant Major
- Command Sergeant Major

### <u>Officers</u>

- Second Lieutenant
- First Lieutenant
- Captain
- Major
- Lieutenant Colonel
- Colonel

# Cadets (Entry level)

Recruits wear the uniform without any rank.

CALIFORNIA CADET CORPS

#### **RCT - Cadet Recruit**

- (Addressed as "Cadet")
- Lowest rank: a "Recruit" who's in their first semester of CACC. Primary role is to carry out orders issued to them to the best of his/her ability.
- Squad member.



#### CDT - Cadet

- (Addressed as "Cadet")
- RCTs are advanced to this level after one semester of CACC (or earlier) and passing their PTA. Carries
  out orders issued to them to the best of his/her ability.
- Squad member.



#### CFC - Cadet First Class

- (Addressed as "Cadet")
- CDTs are advanced to this level after their second semester of CACC (or earlier) and passing their PTA. Carries out orders issued to them to the best of his/her ability.
- Squad member.



#### C/CPL - Cadet Corporal

- (Addressed as "Corporal")
- CFCs are advanced to this level after their third semester of CACC (or earlier) and passing their PTA. Carries out orders issued to them to the best of his/her ability.
- Squad member. However, now as a non-commissioned officer may have to fill in for the squad leader or may be tasked to lead small work details.



### Sergeants



### C/SGT - Cadet Sergeant

- (Addressed as "Sergeant")
- CPLs are promoted to this level after taking the C/SGT exam and passing their PTA. Often in this rank cadets experience their first official leadership position, Squad Leader. Considered to have the greatest impact on Cadets because SGTs oversee them in their daily tasks. SGTs set an example and the standard for Entry-Level Cadets to look up to, and live up to.
- Assistant Squad Leader (5-11 Cadets).

### • C/SSG - Cadet Staff Sergeant



- (Addressed as "Sergeant")
- SGTs are promoted to this level after taking the C/SSG exam and passing their PTA. Also, commands a squad (9 to 10 Cadets). Often has one or more SGTs under their leadership.
- Squad Leader (5-11 cadets), Company Clerk/Guidon Bearer, Battalion Staff NCO





## Senior Sergeants

### C/SFC - Cadet Sergeant First Class

- (Addressed as "Sergeant")
- SSGs are promoted to this level after passing a promotion board and completing their PTA. Often SFCs serve as platoon Sergeant and advise the platoon leader as well as mentor squad leaders. SFCs are key to staff function.
- Company Supply Sergeant, Battalion Staff NCO, Regimental Staff NCO



### C/MSG - Cadet Master Sergeant

- (Addressed as "Sergeant")
- SFCs are promoted to this level after passing a promotion board and completing their PTA. Principal NCO at the Battalion, and all staff levels.
- Platoon Sergeant, Battalion/Regimental/Brigade/10<sup>th</sup> Corps Staff NCO









### **Senior Sergeants**

- C/1SG Cadet First Sergeant
  - (Addressed as "First Sergeant")
  - SFCs or MSGs are promoted to this level after passing a promotion board and completing the MSG PTA and being assigned to the First Sergeant Position. Principal NCO and life-blood of the company: the trainer, tutor, and wise counselor. Instructs other SGTs, advises the Commander and helps train Cadets.
  - Company First Sergeant, HHC First Sergeant
- C/SGM Cadet Sergeant Major
  - (Addressed as " Sergeant Major ")
  - 1SGs or MSGs are promoted to this level after passing a promotion board. SGMs experience and abilities are equal to that of the CSM, but the sphere of influence regarding leadership is generally limited to those directly under his charge.
  - Battalion Operations NCO, Regimental/Brigade/10<sup>th</sup> Corps Staff NCO
- C/CSM Cadet Command Sergeant Major
  - (Addressed as "Command Sergeant Major")
  - SGMs are promoted to this level after passing a promotion board. CSMs normally serve at the Brigade level and above.
  - Battalion/Regiment/Brigade/10<sup>th</sup> Corps Command Sergeant Major





# **Company Grade Officers**

- C/2LT Cadet Second Lieutenant
  - (Addressed as "Lieutenant")
  - SSGs and above are promoted to this entry-level officer rank after completing OCS, Promotion Board, and Officer PTAs . Leads platoon-size elements consisting of the platoon SGT and two or more squads (Commands at least 14 Cadets).
  - Platoon Leader, Company Staff Officer



#### C/1LT - Cadet First Lieutenant

- (Addressed as "Lieutenant")
- 2LTs are promoted to the senior lieutenant rank after completing a promotion board and 1LT PTAs. 1LTs are often assigned as the Company XO.
- Company Executive Officer, Battalion Staff Officer



#### C/CPT - Cadet Captain

- (Addressed as "Captain")
- 1LTs are promoted to this rank after completing a promotion board and Captain PTAs. Captains command companies (at least 32 cadets) and are primary staff officers at the Battalion
- Company Commander, Battalion Staff Officer





## Field Grade Officers

- C/MAJ Cadet Major
  - (Addressed as "Major")
  - CPTs are promoted to this rank after completing a promotion board and Major PTAs. Majors are primarily staff officers.
  - Battalion Executive Officer, Regimental/Brigade/10<sup>th</sup> Corps Staff Officer



### C/LTC - Cadet Lieutenant Colonel

- (Addressed as "Colonel")
- MAJs are promoted to this rank after completing a promotion board and LTC PTAs. Lieutenant Colonels command battalions and regiments.
- Battalion/Regimental Commander, Brigade Deputy/XO, 10th Corps Staff Officer



- C/COL Cadet Colonel
  - (Addressed as "Colonel")
  - LTCs are promoted to this rank after completing a promotion board and COL
     PTAs. Colonels command brigades and the 10<sup>th</sup> Corps (Several thousand cadets)
  - Brigade Commander, 10<sup>th</sup> Corps Command Element





## Miscellaneous Ranks

C/CW1 – Warrant Officer 1\*

- (Addressed as "Mr." or "Ms.")



C/CW2 – Warrant Officer 2\*
 – (Addressed as "Mr." or "Ms.")



C/OC – Officer Candidate
 – (Addressed as "Candidate")

CR 1-5 in 2017 removed Cadet Warrant Officer ranks from our system. There will be Cadet Warrant Officers around in dwindling numbers for a short time.



### **Check on Learning**

• Write down each Rank (abbreviations OK)

















### **US Army Enlisted Soldiers**



#### **PRIVATE (PVT/PV2)**

(Addressed as "Private")

Lowest rank: a trainee who's starting Basic Combat Training (BCT). Primary role is to carry out orders issued to them to the best of his/her ability. (PVT does not have an insignia)



#### PRIVATE FIRST CLASS (PFC)

(Addressed as "Private") PV2s are promoted to this level after one year—or earlier by request of supervisor. Individual can begin BCT at this level with experience or prior military training. Carries out orders issued to them to the best of his/her ability.



#### SPECIALIST (SPC)

(Addressed as "Specialist")

Can manage other enlisted Soldiers of lower rank. Has served a minimum of two years and attended a specific training class to earn this promotion. People enlisting with a four-year college degree can enter BCT as a Specialist.



### US Army NCOs

are responsible for individual training, personal appearance and cleanliness of Soldiers.









CORPORAL (CPL)

SERGEANT (SGT)

(Addressed as "Corporal")

(Addressed as "Sergeant")

(Addressed as "Sergeant") Also commands a squad (9 to 10 Soldiers). Often has one or more SGTs under their leadership. Responsible for developing, maintaining and utilizing the full range of his Soldiers' potential.

Typically commands a squad (9 to 10 Soldiers). Considered to have the greatest impact on Soldiers because SGTs oversee

them in their daily tasks. In short, SGTs set an example and the standard for Privates to look up to, and live up to.

The base of the Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) ranks, CPLs serve as team leader, the smallest Army units. Like SGTs, they



#### SERGEANT FIRST CLASS (SFC)

(Addressed as "Sergeant") Key assistant and advisor to the platoon leader. Generally, has 15 to 18 years of Army experience and puts it to use by making quick, accurate decisions in the best interests of the Soldiers and the country.



#### MASTER SERGEANT (MSG)

(Addressed as "Sergeant")

Principal NCO at the battalion level, and often higher. Not charged with all the leadership responsibilities of a 1SG, but expected to dispatch leadership and other duties with the same professionalism.



# **US Army Senior NCOs**

#### FIRST SERGEANT (1SG)

(Addressed as "First Sergeant")

Principal NCO and life-blood of the company: the provider, disciplinarian and wise counselor. Instructs other SGTs, advises the Commander and helps train all enlisted Soldiers. Assists Officers at the company level (62 to 190 Soldiers).

#### SERGEANT MAJOR (SGM)

#### (Addressed as "Sergeant Major")

SGMs experience and abilities are equal to that of the CSM, but the sphere of influence regarding leadership is generally limited to those directly under his charge. Assists Officers at the battalion level (300 to 1,000 Soldiers).

#### COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR (CSM)

#### (Addressed as " Command Sergeant Major")

Functioning without supervision, a CSM's counsel is expected to be calm, settled and accurate—with unflagging enthusiasm. Supplies recommendations to the commander and staff, and carries out policies and standards on the performance, training, appearance and conduct of enlisted personnel. Assists Officers at the brigade level (3,000 to 5,000 Soldiers).



#### SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE ARMY

There's only one Sergeant Major of the Army. This rank is the epitome of what it means to be a Sergeant and oversees all Non-Commissioned Officers. Serves as the senior enlisted advisor and consultant to the Chief of Staff of the Army (a four-star General).







### **US Army Warrant Officers**

#### WARRANT OFFICER 1 (WO1)

Appointed by warrant from the Secretary of the Army. WO1s are technically and tactically focused officers who perform the primary duties of technical leader, trainer, operator, manager, maintainer, sustainer, and advisor.

#### CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2 (CW2)

Chief Warrant Officers become commissioned officers as provided by the President of the United States. CW2s are intermediate level technical and tactical experts who perform increased duties and responsibilities at the detachment through battalion levels.

#### CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 3 (CW3)

Advanced-level experts who perform the primary duties that of a technical and tactical leader. They provide direction, guidance, resources, assistance, and supervision necessary for subordinates to perform their duties. CW3s primarily support operations levels from team or detachment through brigade.



#### CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 4 (CW4)

Senior-level experts in their chosen field. They primarily support battalion, brigade, division, corps, and echelons above corps operations. CW4s typically have special mentorship responsibilities for other WOs and provide essential advice to commanders on WO issues.



#### CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 5 (CW5)

Master-level technical and tactical experts that support brigade, division, corps, echelons above corps, and major command operations. They provide leader development, mentorship, advice, and counsel to WOs and branch officers.



## **US Army Officers**

SECOND LIEUTENANT (2LT)

(Addressed as "Lieutenant") Typically the entry-level rank for most Commissioned Officers. Leads platoon-size elements consisting of the platoon sergeant and two or more squads (16 to 44 Soldiers).

#### FIRST LIEUTENANT (1LT)

(Addressed as "Lieutenant")

A seasoned lieutenant with 18 to 24 months' service. Leads more specialized weapons platoons and indirect fire computation centers. As a senior Lieutenant, they are often selected to be the Executive Officer of a company-sized unit (110 to 140 personnel).



#### CAPTAIN (CPT)

(Addressed as "Captain")

Commands and controls company-sized units (62 to 190 Soldiers), together with a principal NCO assistant. Instructs skills at service schools and The United States Army combat training centers and is often a Staff Officer at the battalion level.



#### MAJOR (MAJ)

(Addressed as "Major") Serves as primary Staff Officer for brigade and task force command regarding personnel, logistical and operational missions.

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LIEUTENANT COLONEL (LTC)

(Addressed as "Lieutenant Colonel" or "Colonel") Typically commands battalion-sized units (300 to 1,000 Soldiers), with a CSM as principal NCO assistant. May also be selected for brigade and task force Executive Officer.

#### COLONEL (COL)



(Addressed as "Colonel") Typically commands brigade-sized units (3,000 to 5,000 Soldiers), with a CSM as principal NCO assistant. Also, found as the chief of divisional-level staff agencies.



# **US Army General Officers**

#### **BRIGADIER GENERAL (BG)**

(Addressed as "General")

Serves as Deputy Commander to the commanding general for Army divisions. Assists in overseeing the staff's planning and coordination of a mission.

#### MAJOR GENERAL (MG)

(Addressed as "General") Typically commands division-sized units (10,000 to 15,000 Soldiers).



#### LIEUTENANT GENERAL (LTG)

(Addressed as "General") Typically commands corps-sized units (20,000 to 45,000 Soldiers).

#### **GENERAL (GEN)**



(Addressed as "General") The senior level of Commissioned Officer typically has over 30 years of experience and service. Commands all operations that fall within their geographical area. The Chief of Staff of the Army is a four-star General.



#### GENERAL OF THE ARMY (GOA)

This is only used in time of War where the Commanding Officer must be equal or of higher rank than those commanding armies from other nations. The last officers to hold this rank served during and immediately following WWII.



### **Check on Learning**

• Write down each Rank (abbreviations OK)





### **HOW TO ADDRESS PEOPLE**

A3. Properly address other cadets, cadet officers, and adult members of all ranks using titles or rank. Know when to use "Sir" and "Ma'am".



## Use of Titles

- One military courtesy is the use of titles to show respect.
- When you are talking to someone in the Cadet Corps or the military, address that person by his or her rank.
- This form of a courtesy is not only a standard greeting, but it shows <u>respect for the</u> <u>responsibility that person has earned</u>.



# Addressing Rank

- All Generals: "General"
- Colonels and Lieutenant Colonels: "Colonel"
- Majors: "Major"
- Captains: "Captain"
- Lieutenants: "Lieutenant"
- Officer Candidate: "Candidate"
- Warrant Officers: "Mister" or "Miss"
- Sergeants Major: "Sergeant Major"
- First Sergeants: "First Sergeant"
- All other Sergeants: "Sergeant"
- Corporals: "Corporal"
- All Specialists: "Specialist"
- Recruits, Cadets and Cadets First Class: "Cadet"
- Privates and Privates First Class: "Private"

Example1: A C/SSG asks a CFC "Do you understand, Cadet?" The CFC answers "Yes, Sergeant!"

Example2: A C/CSM greets a C/LTC with "Good morning, Colonel" and the C/LTC responds with "Good morning, Sergeant Major"



# "Sir" and "Ma'am"

- Use when addressing an Officer (Cadet or Adult)
  - Greetings, e.g. "Good Morning, Sir"
  - Responses, e.g. "Yes Ma'am", "No excuse, Sir"
  - Statements, e.g. "Ma'am, all cadets are present"
- Not used when addressing 'enlisted' ranks (even CSM)
- Also may be appropriate to use with civilian leaders, teachers, parents, etc.



# **Check on Learning**

- T / F Addressing an Officer with "Sir" or "Ma'am" is optional.
- T / F A Major General is addressed as "Major General"
- T / F A male C/CSM asks a male C/RCT if he is OK. The C/RCT should respond with a "Yes Sir"
- T / F It's appropriate to use "Ma'am" or "Sir" to your principal



### SALUTING

A4. Describe the process of saluting. Give the correct verbal greeting for each time of day.



## **Military Salute History**

Knights in armor raised visors with the right hand when meeting a comrade.

This practice gradually became a way of showing respect and, in early American history, sometimes involved removing the hat. By 1820, the motion was modified to touching the hat, and since then it has become the hand salute used today.

You salute to show respect toward an officer, flag, or our country.





### How to Salute

- Face the person/flag you're saluting
- Your fingers are together, straight, and your thumb snug along the hand in line with the fingers, and not across your palm.
- Raise your flat <u>right</u> hand until the tip of your forefinger touches the outer edge of your right eyebrow (just above and to the right of your right eye).
- When wearing headgear with a visor, the forefinger touches the right front corner of the visor.
- Your hand, wrist, and forearm are straight, forming a straight line from your elbow to your fingertips. Your upper arm (elbow to shoulder) is horizontal to the ground.







# How to Salute (Cont)

- Hold salute until returned, dropping the salute, bring your hand directly down to its natural position at your side, without slapping your leg or moving your hand out to the side.
- The junior person salutes first and drops their salute last.
- Greet with a salute and the CACC Standard Greeting

Time of Day	Greeting
0000-1159:59	"Good Morning Sir/Ma'am/Sergeant"
1200-1659:59	"Good Afternoon Sir/Ma'am/Sergeant"
1700-2359:59	"Good Evening Sir/Ma'am/Sergeant"

#### **CACC Standard Greeting**



# **Check on Learning**

- T / F If you salute, then you don't have to verbally greet someone.
- T / F When saluting, your right upper arm should be parallel to the ground.
- T / F When saluting while wearing a brimmed hat, you should touch your finger to your eyebrow.
- 4. T / F Saluting an Officer is optional
- 5. At 1659, the standard greeting is "Good\_\_\_\_\_, sir/ma'am"



### **RULES OF SALUTING**

A4. Give the correct response to each situation in the Rules for Saluting. Identify what receives a salute (both rank and flag).


#### Saluting Rules, **OUTDOORS**

	Dress	Situation	Correct Response					
CALIFORNIA CADET CORPS	Uniform	US flag is raised or lowered *Note: Accompanied by <i>Reveille</i> or <i>Retreat</i> or <i>National Anthem</i> being played	Stop, stand at attention, face the flag and <u>salute</u> until flag is finished being raised or lowered or last note of music is played.					
	Uniform	US Flag passes by	Stop, stand at attention and <u>salute</u> until flag is 6 paces away					
	Uniform	Pass by an officer	Salute and greet him/her 6 paces away, continue walking without stopping					
	Uniform	Pass an officer from behind	Salute and greet with "By your leave, Sir/Ma'am" and continue walking without stoppingSalute and say "Sir/Ma'am, Cadet (include your rank and name) reporting as ordered."					
	Uniform	Reporting to an officer						
	Uniform	Reporting to an NCO	Stand at Parade Rest and say "Sergeant (or First Sergeant or Sergeant Major), Cadet (include your rank and name) reporting as ordered."					
	Uniform	Reciting the <i>Pledge of Allegiance</i>	Salute and recite the pledge					
	Civilian	US flag is raised or lowered *Note: Accompanied by <i>Reveille</i> or <i>Retreat</i> or <i>National Anthem</i> being played	Stop, stand at attention, put your hand over your heart, and face the flag until it is finished being raised or lowered or last note of music is played .					
	Civilian	US Flag passes by	Stop, stand at attention until flag is 6 paces away Greet him/her 6 paces away, continue walking					
	Civilian	Pass by an officer						
	Civilian	Pass an officer from behind	Greet with "By your leave, Sir/Ma'am" and continue walking without stopping					
	Civilian	Reporting to an officer	Stand at attention and say "Sir/Ma'am, Cadet (include your rank and name) reporting as ordered."					
	Civilian	Reporting to an NCO	Stand at parade rest and say "Sergeant (or First Sergeant or Sergeant Major), Cadet (include your rank and name) reporting as ordered."					



#### Saluting Rules, IN FORMATION (IN-PLACE OR MARCHING)

Dress	Situation	Correct Response
Civilian	Reciting the <i>Pledge of</i>	Place your hand over your heart and recite the
	Allegiance	pledge
Uniform	US flag is raised or lowered	Entire Formation Salutes at "Present, Arms"
		Command
Uniform	An officer passes by	<u>Formation's leader salutes</u> on behalf of the unit, continues marching without stopping. If at Parade Rest or At Ease, the formation is called to Attention.
Civilian	US flag is raised or lowered	Entire formation stands at attention and salutes
Civilian	An officer passes by	Formation's leader greets officer on behalf of the unit, continues marching without stopping. If at Parade Rest or At Ease, the formation is called to Attention



## Saluting Rules, IN DOORS

Dress	Situation	Correct Response
Uniform	Reciting the Pledge of	Stand at attention, place your hand over
or	Allegiance	your heart and recite the Pledge
Civilian		
Uniform	Reporting to an officer	Salute and say "Sir/Ma'am, Cadet (include
or		your rank and name) reporting as ordered."
Civilian		
Uniform	Reporting for a Board	Salute the Board President and say
or		"Sir/Ma'am/Sergeant Cadet (include your
Civilian		rank and name) reporting for board."
Uniform	Reporting to an NCO	Stand at parade rest and say "Sergeant (or
or		First Sergeant or Sergeant Major), Cadet
Civilian		(include your rank and name) reporting as
		ordered."
Uniform	Pass by an officer or passing	Greet officer
or	from behind	
Civilian		
Uniform	US Flag passes by; National	Stand at attention and place your hand over
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Civilian		



## What to Salute

#### Flag of the United States:

- As it's being raised or lowered
- As it's passing by in a parade
- As you are passing by it in a parade
- As you are pledging allegiance outdoors (CACC-only)

#### Commander in Chief:

- President of the United States
- Governor of the State of California

#### Officers in the CACC:

- Warrant Officers
- Company Grade Officers (2LT-CPT)
- Field Grade Officers (MAJ-COL)









## What to Salute Cont.

#### Officers in the military:

- Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard
- California State Military Forces
- Officers of Foreign countries (If you recognize them)

#### Medal of Honor Winners

All Ranks

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# What If...

- My hands are full
  - Do a verbal greeting such as "Good morning sir."
- The other person's hands are full
  - Salute the senior officer even though the salute can't be returned
- I'm at a sporting event, theater, church, or on public transportation
  - No salute required, though a verbal greeting is appropriate
- I'm not sure if I should salute
  - Salute if in doubt

If you can't salute, you should still attempt to render a respectful verbal greeting.



Salute or Not? (In uniform, outdoors, and you're a RCT)

- 1. Pass a Cadet CSM
- 2. National Anthem is being played
- 3. In formation (not leading) and an Officer passes by
- 4. You're carrying a big box and pass an adult Commandant who is a Major
- 5. You're a spectator at a parade and the US flag passes by.
- 6. You're reporting in to a C/MSG on a promotion board



#### REPORTING

A6. Report to an officer or NCO correctly in an office or outside.



## Reporting

- When reporting to an officer Indoors or in an office:
  - Cadet removes headgear, knocks twice, and enters when told to do so.
  - Cadet approaches within three steps of the officer's desk, halts, salutes, and reports, "Sir (Ma'am), Recruit Jones reporting as ordered."
  - The salute is held until the report-in is completed and the salute has been returned by the officer.
  - When the business is completed, the cadet salutes, holds the salute until it has been returned, executes an about face, and departs.
- Reporting Outdoors
  - When reporting outdoors, the Cadet moves rapidly (double time) toward the officer, halts approximately three steps from the officer, salutes, and reports (as when indoors).
  - When the Cadet is dismissed by the officer, salutes are again exchanged.



Tip: When reporting to a Non-Commissioned Officer the salute is not rendered and the "Sir/Ma'am" is replaced with rank.



- T / F When reporting in, you may drop your salute when your report is complete.
- T / F If outdoors you should walk to an Officer when told to report.
- T / F You should salute an NCO when reporting in.
- 4. When reporting indoors, knock \_\_\_\_\_ times on the Officer's door.



### **POSITION OF ATTENTION**

**A7.** Properly call a room to Attention, or a group or formation outside, upon the approach of an officer.

## Attention, At-Ease, or Nothing

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- When talking with an Officer who outranks you, stand at:
  - Attention. Maintain until relieved with an "at ease", "as you were", "at rest" or similar statement.
- When talking with a senior NCO, stand:
  - At Ease.
- When an Officer walks in to a room, call:
  - "Room, Attention"-if you are the first person to see him or her. If there is already an officer in the room, only call it to attention if the new officer out-ranks the officer already in the room. Remain at attention until relieved with an "at ease", "as you were", "at rest", "carry on" or similar statement.
  - "Room, At Ease"- When an NCO of superior rank enters the room, the first cadet to recognize the NCO calls the room to "At ease." Remain at ease until relieved.
- When an Officer walks into a class that is already in session
  - Continue Working
  - The officer should be greeted by the person in charge.
- When an Officer walks into a class that is just beginning
  - Commandants may establish local policies on calling the room to attention
- Dining facility, do:
  - During Mess, the command "At Ease" may be given, however you should remain seated, stay silent, and continue eating. Leaders, under normal circumstances, do not want to interrupt limited meal time.



- You are in a room (not class) with an adult Major, and an adult Captain walks in. Do you call the room to attention out of respect for the Captain?
- 2. You are a C/LTC and you walk into a room that gets called to attention for you. What do you say to get the room back to what they were doing?
- 3. If class is in session do you normally call the room to attention when an officer walks in?



### THE SENIOR'S POSITION OF HONOR

A8. Describe the position of honor for junior and senior personnel walking, posted, or entering a vehicle together.



# The Right Way

- A long-held military tradition dictates that you should always walk on the left side of senior ranking individuals.
  - For hundreds of years men fought with swords and shields. Most warriors carried the sword in their right and the shield in their left hand. Individuals and units who were proud of their fighting ability and desire to go offensive requested the right side of the battle line as a post of honor.
  - Thus, the right became the honored side.
  - When you permit a senior ranking individual to sit or walk on your right, you're showing them
    respect by allowing them to symbolically fill the post of honor.
- In-Ranks Inspection Exception
  - Senior inspector is to the left and as a result has the best vantage point from which to conduct the inspection.
- Transportation Etiquette
  - When entering a car, the junior ranking person enters first.
  - The senior person enters last.
  - When leaving the car, the senior officer goes first.
  - The senior person sits on the right.



- 1. You are walking with your Commandant to class. On what side do you walk?
- Is the highest ranking person the first person to go into a car or the last person?
- 3. What side is the position of honor?



### **EVERY DAY COURTESIES**

A10. Identify the basic courtesies cadets should use at all times.





- 1. What are the best words to repair mistakes?
- 2. What words express gratitude?
- 3. What one word best express respect?
- 4. What words are best used when you have to interrupt someone?



### **CADET CORPS TRADITIONS**

A9. Identify examples of Cadet Corps Customs/Traditions.



## Customs / Traditions



The California Cadet Corps has a long, proud tradition going back to its formation in 1911. The Cadet Program has changed over the years, but we still carry out a basic mission – to make our cadets better citizens of the United States of America.



### Some CACC Traditions



Stillwell Saber

Red Beret for Survival









Name two Cadet Corps traditions.
 Is the salute a custom/tradition or a courtesy?



### **CADET CORPS TABOOS**

A11. Identify, from a list Taboos, things that members of the Cadet Corps will not do.



## Taboos

- Never criticize the Cadet Corps or a leader in public. (this includes Social Media)
- Never go "over the heads" of superiors don't jump the chain of command.
- Never offer excuses, unless asked to explain.
- Never "wear" a superior's rank by saying something like, "the First Sergeant wants this done now," when in fact the First Sergeant said no such thing. Speak with your own voice.
- Never turn and walk away to avoid giving the hand salute.



## Taboos

- Never go indoors or pretend you don't hear to avoid standing reveille or retreat. Proudly respect the flag!
- If you don't know the answer to a superior's question, you will never go wrong with the response, "I don't know sir, but I'll find out."
- Never chew gum while in uniform
- Never spread gossip or rumors
- Never use profanity or vulgar words
- Never walk or stand with your hands in your pockets



Identify which of the examples below are taboos.

- Never arrive at class late
- Never offer an excuse unless asked to explain
- > Never stand with your hands in your pockets
- Never use the chain of command to solve a problem



#### GROOMING

A12. Identify how good grooming shows respect and courtesy for those around you.





- 1. T / F Grooming is only important in uniform.
- T / F It's okay to put on your make-up in the back of the classroom.
- T / F Your Class B shirt should have military creases down the back and front.



### **CHAIN OF COMMAND**

A14. List in order the positions of the chain of command from Cadet through the Governor. Describe the three chains of command that exist within the Cadet Corps structure.



## A Chain of Command









## **Other Chains**



#### **NCO SUPPORT CHANNEL**

10<sup>th</sup> Corps: S1, S2, S3, S4, S5 & Asstants & NCOs

Brigade: S1, S2, S3, S4, S5 & Asstants & NCOs

Battalion: S1, S2, S3, S4, S5 & Asstants & NCOs

Company: Clerk, Supply, Admin, Training NCOs

YOU

#### **STAFF SUPPORT CHANNEL**



#### Fill in the blanks:

