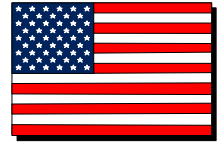


Flag Ceremonies

The **Color Guard and Color Bearer** are SILENT during the ceremony and stand at attention until dismissed.

The Honor Guard consists of:



Color Bearer: One who carries the Flag and precedes the Color Guard. There is one bearer for each flag. She is silent during the ceremony.

Color Guard: Two, four, six, or eight girls (even numbers) march in pairs, evenly spaced directly behind the Color Bearer. Their duties are to assist in the raising and lowering of the flag and are responsible for the folding of the flag. They are **silent** during the ceremony; they do not sing or talk, as they are the “official guardian” of the flag. The flag is raised briskly and lowered slowly.

Caller: One girl who gives the commands to the Color Guard. She is the only one who speaks. She starts the promise, pledge, songs; says the poems, verses, etc.

Additional items to remember:

Red sashes: Optional, found in the camp office. Bearer wears sash over right shoulder and tied in a square knot under the left arm at waist. Guards and Caller wear sash tied around waist with a square knot at left.

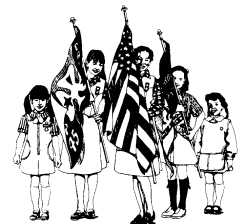
Silence: There is absolute silence from the time the horseshoe is formed until it is dismissed, unless otherwise directed by the Caller. Listen to the Caller for directions. Start the song or words at the direction of the Caller. If you are late coming to flag, enter slowly and quietly.

Salute: The campers in the horseshoe place right hand over their heart and stand at attention from the time the first clip is placed on the Flag until it reaches the top of the pole. When lowering the flag, the hand is placed over the heart again from the first moment of lowering to the last clip is undone. The Guard does not salute at this time.

Many Flags: If more than one flag is to be used, each has its own Bearer and Guards. The flag of the United States is the first up, highest flying, and last down. It is always on the right or in the middle.

Calls for raising the flag:

1. “Color Guard, Attention”
2. “Girl Scouts, Attention”
3. “Color Guard, Advance” (walk toward the flag pole with the point of the flag facing the pole)
4. “Post the Colors” or “Raise the Colors” or “Present the Colors”
After the flag is up, (in quiet command or signal from the Bearer) the Bearer and Guard in unison, give the civilian salute (right hand over heart).
5. Program portion
Pledge of Allegiance, GS Promise, Camp song, poem, or what ever is planned.
6. “Color Guard dismissed”
7. “Are there any announcements” (wait until color guard is at least 1/2 way out of the horseshoe)



Calls for lowering the flag:

1. “Color Guard, Attention”
(wait for quiet)
2. “Girl Scouts, Attention”
3. “Color Guard, Advance”
4. “Color Guard, retire the Colors”
5. At this time (before lowering the flag), the color guard may give the civilian salute.
6. Color Guard folds the flag.
7. “Color Guard Dismissed”
8. “Are there any announcements?” (wait until color guard is at least $\frac{3}{4}$ way out of the horseshoe)

Lunch Line

Attach about a 10' rope or length of twine between two trees or poles that are not in the way of walkers. Do not harm trees; use a clove hitch knot. Attach camper's lunches with the girl's clothespins they brought or a stick.

Handwash Unit

Handwash units are to be located within 16-50 yards of each unit near cook areas, and one near the latrine.

How to Make:

1. Use a 1-gallon empty, clean juice or water jug with a handle.
2. Label the jug "Handwash" and place an outline of a hand on the jug. Place a hole in the center of the cap. Attach a rope on the handle for hanging the container.
3. Place a small bar of soap in the mesh stocking that is tied to the jug handle. The soap will fall to the bottom of the stocking and stretch it, so be sure the stocking is not too long so that it drags the ground.
4. Fill the jug with water and hang 1 near cook area. Make sure area beneath has good water drainage, or place rocks and/or leaves beneath jug.
5. Check jugs throughout the day to be sure they contain water. If necessary, remove after use.

Latrine Cleaning as a Camp Kaper



General housekeeping duties usually are rotated among the campers. Kapers should be done quickly so that programs can take place. During kapers, staff should be with campers as they need **supervision** for their safety and to assure the kaper is done. Clean latrines each morning and/or afternoon. Check for TP & small bag availability, and for trash throughout the day. Report any problems to the Camp Office. Replace all tools to their storage area, regardless of where they were found, when finished cleaning.

Materials:

broom, dustpan, brush, rubber/latex gloves, small paper bags, trash bag, TP

- Each child must wear a pair of rubber or non-latex gloves
- Sweep the floor. Empty the dustpan into the trash bag.
- Pick up trash inside and around the outside of the latrine and put into trash bag.
- Put toilet paper in latrines that need it. Report shortages to Camp Office.
- Take off gloves and throw away in the unit trash can.
- Return all cleaning supplies to where you found them or where they belong, if found in wrong place.
- Thoroughly clean hands with soap and water.

Unit Cleaning

1. Fire Grates: Maintain site in clean and orderly fashion
2. Trash: Remove all trash from structures and grounds. Place in park dumpster.
3. Unit Sites: Remove all camper and adult equipment from unit area.
4. Return all supplies & equipment to camp storage areas/equipment boxes.