

COLOR GUARD COMMANDS POCKET CARDS

The troop meeting commands address Scouts and leaders who are familiar with the troop procedures. Therefore, it is not necessary to instruct them on what to do if not in uniform. For this ceremony, troop members are usually standing so it is not necessary to ask them to rise.

TROOP MEETING OPENING	TROOP MEETING CLOSING
Troop, attention. Prepare for presentation of the Colors. -- Scout salute. -- Color Guard, advance. -- <i>(flags are carried forward)</i> -- Post the Colors. -- Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance. I pledge allegiance ... -- Two. -- Color Guard, return to ranks. -- <i>(bearers return to their patrol lines)</i> -- Color Guard dismissed. -- Troop at ease.	Troop, attention. Prepare for the retiring of the Colors. -- Color Guard, advance. -- Color Guard, retrieve the Colors. -- <i>(bearers lift and prepare to carry flags)</i> -- Retire the Colors. -- Scout salute. -- <i>(flags are carried to back)</i> -- Two. -- Color Guard dismissed. -- Troop at ease.

The Court of Honor commands acknowledge that this is a public gathering and there may be guests present who are not in Scout uniform. For this ceremony, the audience is usually seated and is asked to rise.

COURT OF HONOR OPENING	COURT OF HONOR CLOSING
Rise for presentation of the Colors. -- Scout salute. If not in uniform, place your hand over your heart. -- Color Guard, advance. -- <i>(flags are carried forward)</i> -- Post the Colors. -- Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance. I pledge allegiance ... -- Two. -- Color Guard return. -- <i>(bearers return to back)</i> -- Color Guard dismissed. -- Troop at ease.	Rise for the retiring of the Colors. -- Color Guard, advance. -- Color Guard, retrieve the Colors. -- <i>(bearers lift and prepare to carry flags)</i> -- Retire the Colors. -- Scout salute. If not in uniform, place your hand over your heart. -- <i>(flags are carried to back)</i> -- Two. -- Color Guard dismissed. -- Troop at ease.