



## ORIGINAL GENERAL GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

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To: All Right Eminent Grand Commanders (Past/Present), Eminent Commanders (Past/Present), Generalissimos' (Past/Present), Captain Generals (Past/Present) and Sir Knights working under this Original General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar:

From: Most Eminent Omar Scaife, Grand Master of K.T.

## GENERAL ORDER #14-1208-001

### KNIGHTS TEMPLAR UNIFORM SPECIFICATIONS

As the Knights Templar Uniform as long been a matter of deliberation for the members of this Grand Encampment and in an effort to bring some uniformity to the basic uniform requirements of all Commanderies working under this Original General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar; I Sir Omar Scaife, the Grand Master of Knights Templar, issues this General Order:

**It is Ordered**, the following shall be the preliminary Knights Templar Uniform Specifications:

### Required Standard Sir Knight Uniform Items:

1. [Knight Templar Chapeau](#) Complete with Ostrich Plume with Silver Front Tassel and [None Rayed Red Cross](#) with Silver Border,
2. Jacket: elbeco [Top Authority™ 2-Pocket](#) Dark Navy Blue with [6- Silver Cross and Crown Buttons](#) and Sir Knight [Sleeve Cross](#),
3. Pants: elbeco [Top Authority™ 2-Pocket](#) Trousers
4. Black & Silver [Sword Belt](#) & Silver Buckle with 3 lace straps and silver plated scabbard snap connectors,
5. 32" Minimum / 34" Maximum [Sword](#) with Black or White Handle
6. [Red Cross](#) & [Malta](#) Jewels Worn on the Left Breast



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### Optional Standard Sir Knight Uniform Items:

The following are optional items that maybe purchased -

1. Miniature [Metal Sir Knight Sleeve Crosses](#) in place of Cloth Sleeve Crosses indicated in #2 above.

### Standard Local Commandery Officer Uniform Items:

The Required Standard Knights Templar Uniform with the following additions or alterations based on Rank: Eminent Commander, Generalissimo or Captain General –

1. Eminent Commander:
  - a. [Commander Rosette](#) on Chapeau,
  - b. Commander [Shoulder Boards](#) – Green with White Cross,
  - c. [Commander Jewel](#) (Silver) worn on Left Side,
  - d. Gold Metal [Sleeve Cross](#)
2. Past Eminent Commander:
  - a. [Past Commander Rosette](#) on Chapeau,
  - b. Past Commander [Shoulder Boards](#) – Red with White Rayed Cross,
  - c. [Past Commander Jewel](#) (Gold) worn on Left Side,
  - d. Past Commander Cloth [Sleeve Cross](#)
3. Generalissimo:
  - a. Generalissimo [Shoulder Boards](#) – Green with White Lamb,
  - b. [Generalissimo Jewel](#) (Silver) worn on Left Side,
  - c. Standard Sir Knight [Sleeve Crosses](#)
4. Captain General:
  - a. Captain General [Shoulder Boards](#) – Green with White Rooster,
  - b. [Captain General Jewel](#) (Silver) worn on Left Side
  - c. Standard Sir Knight [Sleeve Crosses](#)

Uniform listed in this General Order is to be worn with a white collar shirt and black straight tie. Original Long Coat uniform is exempt from this requirement.



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### Standard Grand Commandery Officer Uniform Items:

The Required Standard Knights Templar Uniform with [gold buttons](#) and the following additions or alterations based on Rank: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo or Grand Captain General. The following specifications assume that Grand Officers are at least presiding Eminent Commanders -

1. Past / Right Eminent Grand Commander:
  - a. [Grand Officer](#) Rosette on Chapeau with Gold Front Tassel,
  - b. Past Grand Commander [Rosette](#) / [Sleeve Crosses](#)
  - c. Grand Officer [Shoulder Boards](#) – Red with White Malta Cross,
  - d. Black & Gold [Sword Belt](#) & Gold Buckle with 3 lace straps and gold plated scabbard snap connectors,
  - e. [Grand Commander Jewel](#) (Gold) worn on Left Side
2. Grand Generalissimo:
  - a. [Grand Officer](#) Rosette on Chapeau with Gold Front Tassel,
  - b. Grand Officer [Shoulder Boards](#) – Red with White Malta Cross,
  - c. Black & Gold [Sword Belt](#) & Gold Buckle with 3 lace straps and gold plated scabbard snap connectors,
  - d. [Grand Commander Jewel](#) (Gold) worn on Left Side
3. Grand Captain General
  - a. [Grand Officer](#) Rosette on Chapeau with Gold Front Tassel,
  - b. Grand Officer [Shoulder Boards](#) – Red with White Malta Cross,
  - c. Black & Gold [Sword Belt](#) & Gold Buckle with 3 lace straps and gold plated scabbard snap connectors,
  - d. [Grand Commander Jewel](#) (Gold) worn on Left Side

All other Grand Commandery Officers may wear the jewel of their respective office on their left side.



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The Required Standard Knights Templar Uniform with [black buttons](#) and the following additions or alterations based on Rank: Past / Most Eminent Grand Master and other Supreme Officers. The following specifications assume that Grand Encampment Officers are at least presiding Eminent Commanders -

1. Past / Most Eminent Grand Master:
  - a. [Grand Master](#) Rosette on Chapeau with Gold Front Tassel,
  - b. Grand Master [Shoulder Boards](#) – Purple with Cross of Salem
  - c. Purple & Gold [Sword Belt](#) & Gold Buckle with 3 lace straps and gold plated scabbard snap connectors,
  - d. Grand Master Cloth [Sleeve Cross](#)
2. Right / Very Eminent Grand Officer(s):
  - a. [Grand Encampment](#) Rosette on Chapeau with Gold Front Tassel,
  - b. Grand Encampment [Shoulder Boards](#) – Purple with Patriarchal Cross
  - c. Purple & Gold [Sword Belt](#) & Gold Buckle with 3 lace straps and gold plated scabbard snap connectors,
  - d. Grand Encampment Cloth [Sleeve Cross](#)

### Miscellaneous Uniform Equipment:

The original long coat is still and will always be accepted by this Grand Encampment. If you already have the long coat there is no need for you to purchase another uniform.

All Past and other Local Commandery Officers may wear the jewel of their respective office on their left side along with the standard Chapeau and Sir Knight Sleeve crosses.

[Gloves](#), whether buffed or white cotton, are permitted along with shoulder patches bearing the name of your State and Commandery. Chapeau and/or sword cases are suggested.

Shoes should be patent leather or other black shoe or boots with rubber bottom.



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Chain collars are optional but in no way relieve a Sir Knight from obtaining the required uniform as outlined in this General Order. Skull caps and aprons are **NOT** an approved substitution for the required Chapeau and uniform.

Knights Templar cuffs or other items are permitted as long as they do not take away from the fraternal meaning of the uniform.

The vendors outlined or otherwise referenced in this General Order are used strictly to provide photos of the listed items. This Grand Encampment does not endorse any specific vendor. You are free to use any vendor of your choice.

**When in doubt if an item is permitted contact the Most Eminent Grand Master for determination.**

This General Order is made pursuant to Article 1 Section 6 of the Constitution, Rules, Regulations and Edicts of the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar in an effort to provide clarity as it relates to the uniform requirements of the Order,

**So Ordered**, this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2014 A.D.; 896 A.O.; and I have caused the seal of the Original General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar to be affixed hereto.

Fraternally,

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Attested,

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