

Uniform

Why Uniform?

- Encourages a sense of belonging;
- Promotes equality; and
- Sets us apart as members of a Christian organisation.

Companies can decide whether members should wear ceremonial uniform each week or the more informal company night uniform.

Official GB uniform is only available from the GB Shop (www.gbnishop.co.uk). By purchasing from the GB Shop you are supporting the ongoing work of the organisation. All proceeds are reinvested into GB.

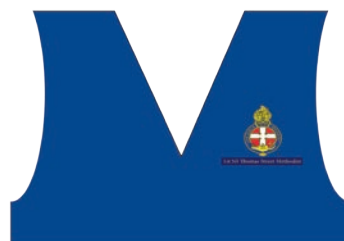
General Guidelines for all Uniform

- Short hair should be neat and tidy, clear of the collar;
- Long hair should be tied back neatly;
- No medals or jewellery may be worn, with the exception of wedding and engagement rings and one pair of plain stud earrings on the lobe. For safety reasons at all competitions, members participating on the floor are not permitted to wear earrings.;
- Wrist watches may be worn with ceremonial uniform. Only leaders may wear a wrist watch with working uniform;
- At no time are other brooches, awards, badges or medals to be worn;
- Only one Attendance Award (highest achieved) may be worn;
- Armband is worn on left arm;
- All shoes should be plain black with no restriction on material type or visible stitching. Straps across the foot and T-bar styles are permitted. However, stilettos or sling-back styles and adornments such as tassels or metal plates, are not permitted.
- All members are permitted to wear nail varnish, fake/acrylic nails or gel nails, but must only be nude or French polish in colour. For safety reasons at all competitions, members participating on the floor are not permitted to wear any nail varnish, fake/acrylic nails or gel nails.
- Members aged 18+ are allowed to have tattoos uncovered. However, they must be covered if not appropriate to the ethos and values of the organisation.

PE Uniform for all Age Groups

This is the required uniform for all participants in PE competitions.

- Navy GB tunic with GB Crest embroidered on the left side and company title directly underneath (gold lettering on navy) - tunic must be worn long enough to cover a girl's underwear during all movements in routines and activities;
- White open neck short sleeved GB blouse;
- Navy pants for Explorers and Juniors, navy long legged pants for Seniors, Brigaders and Associates
- Plain white ankle socks;
- White PE slippers laced with ribbon or tape;
- White ribbon or white fastenings to tie back long hair; and
- No jewellery or nail varnish should be worn. (This includes clear, nude or french polish).



PE Uniform

Leisurewear (optional)

GB hoodies and coloured polo shirts are leisurewear and not uniform. Only official GB hoodies/coloured polo shirts with the GB crest should be worn and are only available to be ordered by Captains for their company via the GBNI Shop. Refer to page 7 for 'GBNI Logo Branding Guidelines'

Hoodies/Coloured Polo Shirts can be worn as follows:

- For hoodies only - company nights - to and from weekly meetings, however it should be removed before the marking of uniform;
- Coloured polo shirts should not be worn on company nights;
- Company outings, sponsored walks;
- To and from competitions and GB activities;
- GB camp;
- DofE expeditions;
- Any other informal occasion and outside of GB during any leisure time; and
- Unofficial hoodies and polo shirts with any GBNI logos/GB crest should not be worn.

Associate Uniform

To reflect the flexible nature of this role, Associates can either wear the uniform choices below or opt not to wear uniform if they feel that is appropriate. Associates should chat to their Captain about this matter.

Ceremonial Uniform

- Navy GB skirt (knee-length);
- White open neck short sleeved GB blouse;
- Navy GB 'V' neck sweatshirt with GB Crest embroidered on left side and company title directly underneath (gold lettering on navy);
- Associate section badge worn on GB sweatshirt, directly underneath company title and in line with the bottom of the GB Crest;
- Armband (if they have come up through the ranks and wish to wear it);
- Plain black tights (up to 70 denier - providing there is uniformity within the section);
- Plain black flat shoes (refer to page 37); and
- Navy ribbon or plain navy elastic bobble to tie back long hair.

Working uniform

- Plain navy track bottoms;
- White open neck short sleeved GB blouse;
- Navy GB 'V' neck sweatshirt (as stated above);
- Associate section badge on GB sweatshirt (as stated above);
- Plain white ankle socks;
- Plain white trainers or white PE slippers; and
- White ribbon or plain white elastic bobble to tie back long hair.

PE Uniform

To be worn by Associates when taking part in GB PE. For more details, refer to page 37.

Wearing Associate Awards

- 125th Anniversary Badge, if applicable, to be worn on the GB sweatshirt at the point of the 'V'; and
- Endurance Award, if applicable, to be worn on right side of sweatshirt beside ribbon.

Associate that has come up through the ranks:

- Associates wear their awards on an armband which is worn on left sleeve of GB sweatshirt; and
- If Brigader Brooch is achieved, refer to page 42 for details of how to wear awards.

Associate that has not come up through the ranks:

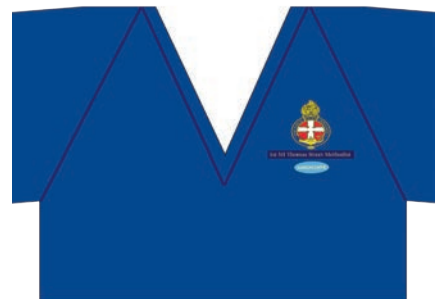
- An awards ribbon is to be worn on right side of GB sweatshirt, on right side of 'V', level with top of GB Crest;
- Awards to be placed on ribbon in the following order:
 - Open Bible Award,
 - Attendance Award,
 - Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award, if gained.



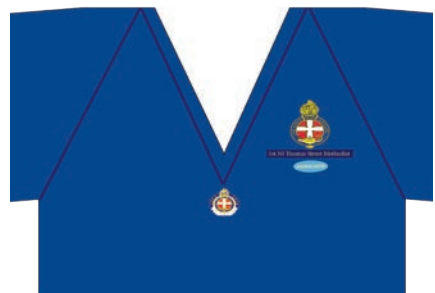
Associate Ceremonial Uniform



Associate Working Uniform



Associate Sweatshirt



With 125th Anniversary Badge