

# 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](http://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;
- 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 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, may be laced; or slip-on (T-bar, sling backs, suede or patent finish are not allowed); and
- No nail varnish should be worn. (This includes clear, nude or french polish).



## 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 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 should not be worn.

# Officer Uniform

## Ceremonial Uniform

- Navy Officer suit (with buttons on jacket closed at all times, skirt knee length);
- Company numerals and GB flashes worn on jacket sleeves;
- Lanyard according to rank worn on left shoulder (with a GB whistle attached and placed in top pocket of jacket). Refer to page 46 for lanyard types;
- White open neck short sleeved Officer GB blouse;
- GB Crest lapel badge is worn on the lower right lapel of the blouse;
- Plain black tights (no greater than 15 denier - providing there is uniformity within the Officers);
- Plain black shoes - heel no greater than 2 inches, may be laced, court or slip-on (T-bar, sling backs, suede or patent finish are not allowed); and
- Navy ribbon or plain navy elastic bobble to tie back long hair.



Officer  
Ceremonial Uniform



Officer Uniform  
with one other award



Officer Uniform  
with two other awards

## Wearing Officer Awards

- Service Award to be worn in the centre of pocket band (Company Attendance Awards may be worn until achieving the five year Officer Award);
- Two other awards may be worn immediately above the Service Award on the jacket and may be chosen from:
  - Brigadier Brooch or Queen's Award and/or
  - Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award or Discovery Award
- If only one of the above awards is applicable, it should be worn in line with the Service Award;
- If two of the above awards are applicable, they should be worn with the highest achieved GB award closest to the jacket lapel. With the other award being placed beside it;
- 125th Anniversary Badge, if applicable, may be worn on the left lapel of jacket; and
- Recipients of a Queen's Honours Award (eg. MBE, OBE or BEM) should be worn on the left hand side of jacket suitably positioned above the GB Awards.

## Company Night/Working Uniform

- Navy GB track bottoms with GB Crest or plain navy jogging bottoms;
- White GB polo shirt with GB Crest embroidered on the left;
- Navy GB 'V' neck sweatshirt with GB Crest embroidered on left side and company title directly underneath (gold lettering on navy);
- Plain white ankle socks;
- Plain white trainers; and
- White ribbon or plain white elastic bobble to tie back hair.



Officer  
Working Uniform

## Distinctive Marks of Rank in GBNI

The colour first mentioned runs through the centre of the lanyard.

**President** - Gold medallion and gold lanyard

**Vice President** - Gold and navy lanyard

**Chairperson** - Red, blue and navy lanyard (if Commissioned Officer)

**Brigade Council Representative** - Gold, navy and red lanyard

**District Commissioner** - Gold and white lanyard

**Assistant District Commissioner** - Red and white lanyard

**Captain** - Red lanyard

**Officer** - Blue lanyard

**Reserve Officer** - Blue and navy lanyard

**Past Member** - Blue and red lanyard

### Other Badges of Rank:

**Company President, Vice-President, Chaplain** - GB Crest with designation

### Other Badges:

**Friend** - May be presented to people giving service to a company or GBNI.

## District, Inter-district & GBNI Events

All GB personal serving at GB events must be wearing the correct uniform suited to that event.

Ceremonial Uniform must be worn at:

- District Services and Parades;
- All competitions ie. Choral Speaking, Junior Marching and PE;
- Queen's Award and all Duke of Edinburgh's Award Ceremonies; and
- National Recognition Award Ceremonies ie. MBE, OBE & BEM or another award.

Working Uniform must be worn at:

- Sporting events, ie. team games, dodgeball, volleyball, badminton, five a side football, touch rugby and unihoc.

