

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.

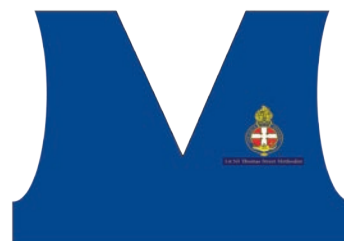
General Guidelines for all Uniform

- 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.

Officer Uniform

Ceremonial Uniform

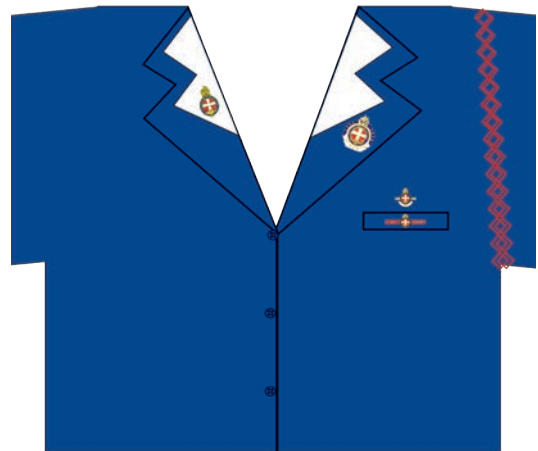
- Navy Officer suit (with buttons on jacket closed at all times, skirt knee length);
- Company numerals and GB flashes worn on jacket sleeves;
- Lanyard according to rank worn on left shoulder (with a GB whistle attached and placed in top pocket of jacket). Refer to page 46 for lanyard types;
- White 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 30 denier - providing there is uniformity within the Officers);
- Plain black shoes - heel no greater than 2 inches (refer to page 37); and
- Navy ribbon or plain navy elastic bobble to tie back long hair.



Officer
Ceremonial Uniform

Wearing Officer Awards

- Service Award to be worn in the centre of the jacket 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:
 - Brigader 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 the jacket; and
- Recipients of a Royal Honours Award (e.g. MBE, OBE or BEM) or a GBNI Past President's Badge should be suitably placed on the right hand side of the jacket.



Officer Uniform
with one other award



Officer Uniform
with two other awards

Company Night/Working Uniform

- 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 when marking uniform i.e. Choral Speaking, Junior Marching and PE;
- Queen's Award and all Duke of Edinburgh's Award Ceremonies; and
- National Recognition Award Ceremonies i.e. MBE, OBE & BEM or another award.

Working Uniform must be worn at:

- Sporting events, i.e. team games, dodgeball, volleyball, badminton, five a side football, touch rugby and unihoc.
- PE demonstrations and when stewarding at PE NI Finals.

