



# ***FR. HENNEPIN PROVINCE***

## **4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE**

# ***Knights of Columbus***

## **Official Provincial Dress Code:**



### **Official Formal Dress in full Regalia for Honor Guard and Color Corps**

- Black Tuxedo (Single Breasted. notched lapel is preferred)
- Plain standard collar (no wing tipped collar) white pleated front (no ruffles) Tuxedo Shirt.
- Black bow tie
- Black Cummerbund
- Black well polished plain toed shoes
- Black dress socks
- Shirt is fastened with shirt studs (plain black or plain black with gold or silver trim), and cuffs with cufflinks
- Fourth Degree pin (standard size as issued by Supreme approximately 5/8th of an inch in length) worn on the left lapel in the button hole (if lapel has no buttonhole. wear the pin in the approximate location of where a buttonhole should be on the left lapel).
- Black Chapeau with a white plume or the color of the office as set forth in the following, together with a Fourth Degree emblem on the right side.
- Black Cape with Red lining or the color of tile office as set forth in the following. Cape shall be with stand up military collar, gold collar chain, gold collar patches with KofC on both sides and a Fourth Degree Emblem Patch on the left shoulder only. Capes with a Black Fourth Degree Emblem Patch are still allowed, but replacement of the patch or a new cape is recommended.
- White gloves
- Service Baldric, together with a sword and scabbard is worn over the coat from the right shoulder to the left hip. When a sword is not permitted for any reason the Service Baldric shall be worn nevertheless. The Service Baldric shall be Red. White and Blue with the Emblem of the Order. The Emblem of the Order shall be parallel to the floor when worn. Old style Service Baldrics with Emblem of the Order on a diagonal are no longer approved for wear and shall be replaced.
- Soiled and/or poor condition Regalia should be replaced. Chapeaus with slashing (gold or silver diagonal strips on side of chapeau) are not approved. Slashing must be removed or Chapeau replaced. Chapeaus with yellowed or matted plumes should also be replaced.
- Sword shall be Silver (stainless steel or silver plated) with Black grip on the hilt and the grip cap shall be a bust of Columbus. The Blade of the sword is silver (stainless steel or silver plated) and may as an option be etched in gold with any of the following information: Sir Knights name, Assembly office, Knights of Columbus, Assembly name Fourth Degree District or Province. Vice Supreme Master, Former Vice Supreme Master, Masters, Former Masters. Faithful Navigators and past Faithful Navigators swords may have a white grip. The scabbard shall be silver (stainless steel or silver plated). Masters, Former Masters, Vice Supreme Masters and Former Vice Supreme Masters are permitted to wear a Gold Plated scabbard and a white griped Sword with gold plated Grip Cap and Guard. Old style Swords with scabbard upper band and foot which are gold or brass plated are not approved for use.
- Swords with silver or any other color grips except as noted above are not approved for use and are nor to be used when in Regalia.
- Old style Swords with eagle grip caps are no longer approved for use and are not to be used when in Regalia.

- Swords from other Fraternal or Military organizations are not approved for use when dressed in Fourth Degree Regalia.
- A current Navigator, current Master and current Vice Supreme Master may wear their Current Jewel of Office when in full Regalia. Except for the Emblem of the Fourth Degree Pin. All other members may NOT wear any jewels, pins or other attachments to their uniform when in Formal full Dress Regalia. Allowing current Master, Navigator and Vice Supreme Master to wear current Jewel is to identify the current Navigator, Master or Vice Supreme Master from other individuals who are authorized to wear' their White. Gold or Blue Cape and Chapeau at events where color is present.
- Color bearers wear a color harness and a Service Baldric, but no sword.
- When serving on the altar, such as a lector, Eucharist minister, etc. it is not proper to wear a sword in the sanctuary.
- **EXCEPT FOR THE EMBLEM OF THE FOUR THE DEGREE PIN, NO NAME TAGS, PINS, JEWELS, MINITURE JEWELS, EMBLEMS, PATCHES OR OTHER PARAPHERNALIA ARE TO BE WORN WHEN IN HONOR GUARD OR COLOR CORPS FULL DRESS REGALIA.**
- **WHILE THE FOURTH DEGREE IS THE PATRIOTIC ORDER AND WE SHOULD BE PROUD OF OUR NATIONAL COLORS, SUPREME HAS CURRENTLY NOT APPROVED A FLAG OR CROSSED FLAG PIN FOR USE ON THE UNIFORM. THE FR. HENNEPIN PROVINCE WILL ADHERE TO THIS POLICY UNTIL A PIN APPROVED BY SUPREME IS ALLOWED.**

### **COLORS FOR COLOR CORPS AND HONOR GLARD**

Supreme Master and Vice Supreme Master	Blue Cape and Chapeau
District Master	Gold (Tape and Chapeau
District Marshalls	Green Cape and Chapeau
Faithful Navigator	White Cape and Chapeau
Assembly Commander	Purple Cape and Chapcau
Color Corps and Honor Guard	Red Cape and White Chapeau
Former Vice Supreme Master	Blue Cape and CThapeau
Former District Master	Gold (Tape and Crhapeau
Past Faithful Navigator	White (Tape and Chapeau

#### **NOTE:**

Assembly Commanders and District Marshalls serve at the pleasure of the current Navigator and Master.

Each Assembly may only have one Commander and only one Purple Cape dressed at a Color Corps or Honor Guard event.

Purple and Green Capes and Plumes should be the property of the Assembly and Districts

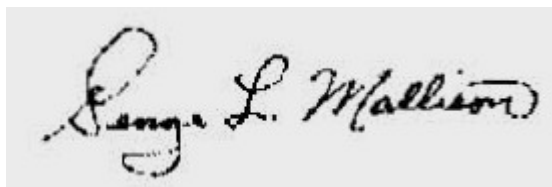
Individuals shall return the cape and plume when they are replaced at the Navigator or Masters direction.

**Official Formal Dress in Social Regalia at Fourth Degree Functions or when Representing the Fourth Degree at any Function**

- Black Tuxedo (Single Breasted, two button with notched lapel is preferred, but not mandatory)
  - White dinner jackets may be worn only from Memorial Day through Labor Day.
- Plain standard collar (no wing tipped collar) white pleated front (no ruffles) Tuxedo Shirt.
- Black bow tie
- Black Cummerbund or Black Vest.
- Black well polished plain toed shoes
- Black dress socks
- Shirt is fastened with shirt studs and the cuffs with cufflinks
- Fourth Degree pin (standard size as issued by Supreme approximately 5/8<sup>th</sup> of an inch in length) worn on the left lapel in the buttonhole. A Fourth Degree and American Flag pin may be worn in Social Dress. When Flag is a separate pin it shall be worn above all other pins on the lapel.
- Social Baldric shall be worn under coat from right shoulder to left hip. Old styles Baldric with Emblem of the Order not parallel to the floor when worn are no longer approved for wear,
- Miniature Jewels approved by Supreme Office may be worn in social dress.
- Miniature Jewels from Papal Orders (Knights of St. Gregory. Knights of the Holy Sepulchre, etc.) may also be worn in social dress. Miniature Jewels shall always be worn on the wearers left side of the coat with the highest office held next to the lapel and descending in rank to lowest.
- An appropriate name tag may be worn in social dress
- NO PINS, JEWELS, EMBLEMS, PATCHES OR OTHER PARAPHERNALIA FROM OTHER FRATERNAL, CIVIC MILITARY OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ARE TO BE WORN WHEN IN FOURTH DEGREE SOCIAL DRESS EXCEPT AS NOTED ABOVE.

A Fourth Degree member who is an active member of the Armed Forces, Police or Fire Departments may wear their **FORMAL** Mess Dress to a Fourth Degree Social event, Make sure you know it is Formal before approving. Standard Clerical dress is always acceptable for Priest, Religious and Bishops. Permanent Deacons should be encouraged to obtain and wear a Tuxedo as stated above when joining the order and attending social events.

As Approved by George L. Mallison Vice Supreme **Master of** the Fr. Hennepin on April 25, 2007

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light gray background. The signature reads "George L. Mallison" in a cursive script. The first letter "G" is large and loops around the first few letters. The signature is written in a fluid, connected style.