

Jewels and Bars

There is no other subject that can cause as much controversy than the placement and number of Jewels worn on the Templar uniform. At the inspections, we must set the example when approaching this subject. Let us look at the regulations.

“SECTION 482. (b) Only Templar jewels are to be worn on the Templar Uniform. Meritorious Jewels, Badge of Commanderies and Malta Jewel shall be worn on the left breast welt, placed in the order precedence and spaced 1/8” apart. If the Malta Jewel only is worn, it shall be centered horizontally on the welt. **The top of the jewel or jewels worn should be even with the top edge of the pocket welt.** Jewels of Office may be worn suspended from a black neck cord or silver chain. United States Armed Forces Service Bar, as applicable shall be centered above jewels worn.

Provided also, that the Jewels of the Officers and Past Grand Commanders of this Grand Commandery may be worn on a chain collar of a design as may from time to time be approved, while appearing in civilian dress and representing the office to which the wearer has been duly elected or appointed.

Provided also, that the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana, may wear as a part of his official uniform the double red cordon for the Grand Commander’s Jewel.”

Only Templar jewels are to be worn on the Templar Uniforms. Reasonable enough is not it - Templar Uniform and Templar Jewels. But you still see Past Master Jewels, Past High Priest Jewels, Past Illustrious Master Jewels, Knight Masons Jewels, and Knight York Cross of Honor Jewels worn on or with the Templar uniform. **These jewels just mentioned are not Templar Jewels and should NEVER be worn on the Templar uniform.** You are likely to see a Triennial Medal worn well after they should be in display cases (they are temporary medals to be worn at Triennial only).

RESOLUTION ON THE WEARING OF JEWELS

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Whereas: Good order and appearance are encouraged by consistency and uniformity in the sequence of jewels or awards worn on the standard Templar uniform. And Whereas; The lack of authoritative guidance results in excessive time and effort being expended repeatedly to re-examine the issue.

Therefore, it is resolved as follows.

A person may not simultaneously wear more than three jewels on a standard Templar uniform pocket. For many Sir Knights, this entails choosing which jewels to wear or omit. Any jewels that are worn should be in the following sequence from the wearer’s right to left. The wearer’s right is the edge closest to the center of the uniform front. If a

person wears a jewel with a matching bar, they must choose which one to wear and not wear both.

Centered above the jewels a Sir Knight may wear approved service bars. Only three bars may be worn in a row, but multiple rows are permitted. Service bars should be worn in the order listed. From the top rows down and from the wearer's right to left. Thus, if multiple rows are worn, the highest ranked bars are in the top row.

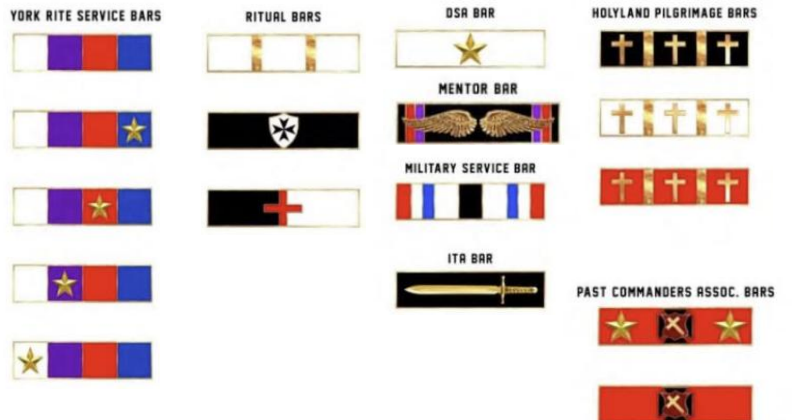


JEWELS

1. Office Jewels
 - a) Grand Commandery Office
 - b) Past Grand Commander
 - c) Grand Prelate Emeritus
 - d) Knight Templar Cross of Honor
 - e) Grand Encampment Membership Jewel
 - f) Constituent Commandery Office
 - g) Past Commander
2. Meritorious
 - a) Past Commander's Association
 - b) Distinguished Service Award
 - c) Triennial Drill Bars
 - d) State Drill Bars
3. Commandery Badges
 - a) Grand Commandery Badge
 - b) Constituent Commandery Badge (actual membership)
 - c) Commandery Badge (honorary membership)
4. Malta Jewel
5. Red Cross Jewel

SERVICE BARS

1. Armed Forces Service Bar
2. Masonic Service Award
3. Distinguished Service Award
4. Past Commanders Association
5. Ritualist Award
6. Indiana Holyland Pilgrimage
7. Mentorship Award
8. Indiana Templar Academy



The following examples may help you in arranging the jewels on your uniform.

Figure 1) The Red Cross Jewel (if worn) is worn closest to the left arm. Next the Malta Jewel then any meritorious jewel and lastly, the Jewel of Office.

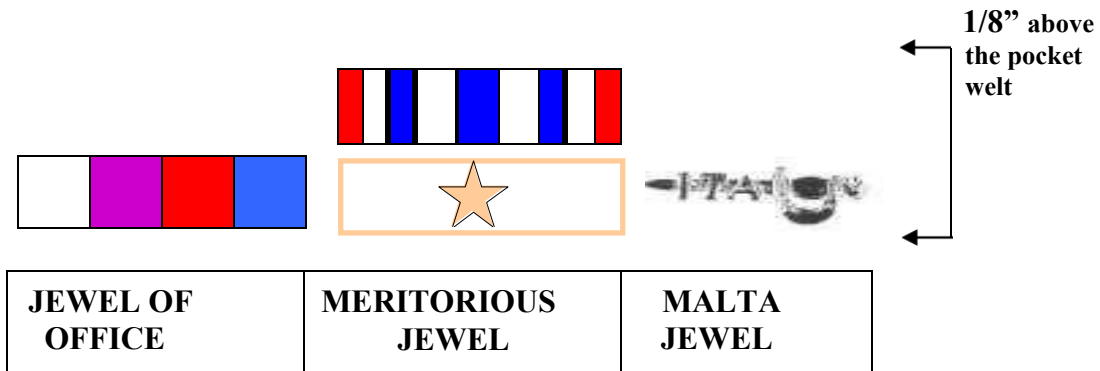
← **Center of Chest**

Left Arm →

POCKET WELT



Figure 4) The United States Armed Forces Service Bar and /or the Distinguished Service Award bar are worn centered and approximately 1/8” above the pocket welt. If you have a Masonic Service Award Bar it will be worn to the left of the Distinguished Service Award and if you have the Indiana Templar Academy award it will be worn to the right of the Distinguished Service Award.



INDIANA GRAND
COMMANDRY RITUAL
AWARD PROGRAM FOR SIR
KNIGHTS

As a way of increasing the interest and participation in the ritual work at the local level, the Grand Commandery of the State of Indiana has instituted a “**Ritual Award Program.**”

The program is based on the three Orders conferred in the Commandery. The award is to be a bar worn on the uniform and a certificate to be printed with the level of proficiency. Each part must have been performed two (2) times for credit. All work is to be done from memory and in full form. You are expected to do a creditable job in the part you are exemplifying. This implies not just memorization but also correct tactics, vocal emphasis, gestures, etc. appropriate to the part. Credit for previous exemplifications will be accepted for your honor as a Knight Templar. All work done is to be attested to by the application of your signature and the signature of your local recorder to this form.

There are four levels of proficiency for the Program:

Level 1: Pilgrim – 255 points



Level 2: Warrior – 600 points



Level 3: Knight – 1,050 points



Level 4: Commander – 1,455 points
Same bar as Knight with a diamond chip in the center.



The Challenge

As a Knight Templar, you are challenged to select and perform from the various parts and lectures from the rituals of three Orders that make up the Commandery. This provides you with an opportunity to play an active role within your Commandery. By taking part in this program, you will be making YOURSELF a dedicated Ritualist and your Commandery stronger.

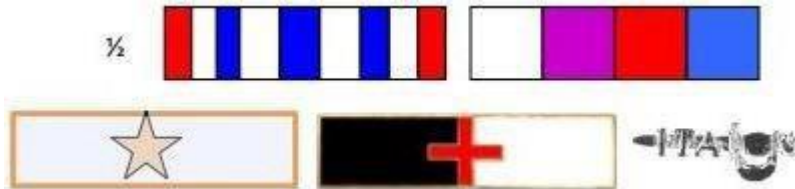
On the reverse side of this form are the point values for the various parts. Please initial by the point value for that part. Total up the points and submit this form along with a check made out to Grand Commandery of Indiana in the amount of \$10.00 to your local Recorder. He will sign off on the form and submit it to the Grand Recorder:

Awards will be sent to the local Recorder for proper presentation.

Incomplete or improper forms will be returned to the Recorder.

(The \$10.00 is the cost for the first award. After attaining enough points to move to the next level, you must update your form and resubmit it along with your previous award bar.)

The Ritual Bar is to be worn to the right of the ITA bar. In the absence of an ITA bar, it will be worn where the ITA bar is shown below. If the ritual bar is the only bar worn, then it will be centered 1/8" above the pocket welt.



Order of the Red Cross		
Sovereign Master	120	_____
Prince Chancellor	15	_____
Prince Master of the Palace	15	_____
Master of Cavalry	10	_____
Master of Infantry	100	_____
Excellent High Priest	70	_____
Master of Finance	5	_____
Master of Dispatches	5	_____
Warder	35	_____
Jewish Guard	5	_____
Persian Guard	15	_____
Vow	45	_____
Sash	10	_____
Sword	10	_____
Means of Recognition	30	_____
Banner of the Order	10	_____
<i>(Jewish Council)</i>		
Jeremiah	10	_____
Isaiah	15	_____
Haggai	10	_____
Hosea	15	_____
Obadiah	10	_____
Amos	15	_____

Mediterranean Pass		
Prior	60	_____
Chaplain	5	_____
Marshall	15	_____
Captain of the Outpost	15	_____

Order of Malta		
Prior	170	_____
Lieutenant Commander	5	_____
Captain General	5	_____
Chaplain	5	_____
Marshall	75	_____
Captain of the Outposts	15	_____
Birth Banner	15	_____
Life Banner	15	_____
Death Banner	30	_____
Resurrection Banner	15	_____
Ascension Banner	15	_____
Knight at the West Table	30	_____
St. John Banner	20	_____
Malta Banner	5	_____

Order of the Temple		
Commander	205	_____
Generalissimo	15	_____
Captain General	25	_____
Senior Warden	55	_____
Junior Warden	90	_____
Prelate	160	_____
Standard Bearer	5	_____
Sword Bearer	10	_____
Warder	40	_____
Hermit	10	_____
Prelate's Escort	5	_____
Guards	5	_____
Ode to the Skull	15	_____
Sword	25	_____
Baldric	10	_____
Spur	5	_____
Chapeau	10	_____
Remaining Attributes	45	_____
Banners	15	_____
Flag Lecture	20	_____
Explanatory Lecture	80	_____

Procedure to submit form for award:

1. Review the list of parts and lectures.
Initial the points by the parts that you have given from Memory twice during the Orders.
2. Add-up the total points.
3. Enter the total here _____

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Commandery: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Local Recorder's Signature