

## Uniform Guidelines

### 1st Lye Company

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These Uniform Guidelines include our Company's interpretation of the national Uniform Regulations and provides a Provisioning Table which is intended to aid in the provisioning/ordering of Uniform.

## COMPANY INTERPRETATION OF UNIFORM REGULATIONS

The current national Uniform Regulations, as passed by Brigade Council in 1999 and amended in 2000, leave a number of options to the discretion of each Company. Following is our Company's interpretation of the national Uniform Regulations, reflecting our decisions regarding such options.

- 1 **Anchors** wear a red Boys' Brigade sweatshirt over a blue Boys' Brigade (or plain blue short-sleeve generic) polo shirt, with plain dark trousers, plain dark socks and black formal shoes.  
An armband will be worn on the right arm above the elbow upon which shall be worn awards as per the awards regulations.
- 2 **Juniors** wear a royal blue Boys' Brigade sweatshirt over a royal blue Boys' Brigade (or plain blue short-sleeve generic) polo shirt, with plain dark trousers, plain dark socks and black formal shoes.

An armband will be worn on the right arm above the elbow upon which shall be worn awards as per the awards regulations. The Leading Boy badge will be worn directly below the Anchor emblem of the sweatshirt if the Boy holds the position.

~~The Boys' hat will be worn with hat badge, yellow surround and Company number insert.~~ As of September 2023, until BB Supplies restores the supply of the Boys' hat, it will not be worn except by those forming a Colour Party and/or bearing the Colours.

- 3 **Company and Seniors** wear a navy blue Boys' Brigade shirt with Boys' Brigade tie<sup>1</sup> and plain dark trousers with a black leather belt with chrome Boys' Brigade buckle, plain dark socks and black formal shoes. An armband will be worn on the right arm above the elbow upon which shall be worn: awards as per the awards regulations and, where the Boy is an NCO, the appropriate badge worn at the bottom of the armband, viz:

3.1 Lance Corporal: one-barred chevron with its point downwards;

3.2 Corporal: two-barred chevron with its point downwards;

3.3 Sergeant: three-barred chevron with its point downwards;

An armband will be worn on the left arm above the elbow upon which shall be worn awards as per regulations.

~~The Boys' hat will be worn with hat badge, red surround for Company, blue surround for Seniors, and Company number insert.~~ As of September 2023, until BB Supplies restores the supply of the Boys' hat, it will not be worn except by those forming a Colour Party and/or bearing the Colours.

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1 Type of tie is as per clause 6.5 of the national Uniform Regulations, which is reproduced later in this document.

**4 Staff Sergeants** will wear the same uniform as Seniors, with the following exceptions:

- 4.1 A four-barred chevron badge will be worn at the bottom of the armband on the right arm with its point upwards;
- 4.2 ~~The Boys' hat and hat badge will be worn without any surround or Company number insert;~~ as of September 2023, until BB Supplies restores the supply of the Boys' hat, it will not be worn except by those forming a Colour Party and/or bearing the Colours;
- 4.3 When acting as Battalion Sergeant-Major, a Staff-Sergeant may wear a small red rosette under the hat badge.

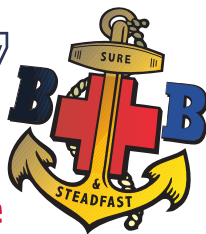
**5 Leaders** will wear a white Boys' Brigade shirt with Boys' Brigade Officers' tie, plain dark trousers with a black leather belt with chrome Boys' Brigade buckle, plain dark socks and black formal shoes.

Men Officers will wear the Glengarry Cap with Officers' cap badge; Women Officers will wear a hat of the same pattern as the Boys' hat, but of different material, with the special hat badge, the Boys' hat may be worn as an alternative, if desired; Warrant Officers will wear the same hat as Officers, as defined above, but with the special Warrant Officers' badge. NB: A red rosette behind the cap badge may be worn by Officers acting as Staff Officers, but only when so engaged, and will not be worn at other times as a mark of rank.

**6 General**

All General (6.) clauses found in the national Uniform Regulations do, of course, apply; however only some notable clauses have been reproduced here, for convenience.

- 6.1 *Relevant Officer* in these regulations shall mean the Company Captain or a member of staff within the Company to whom the Captain has delegated the option or a member of staff in charge of an event at Battalion, District or national level.
- 6.2 On appropriate occasions, the relevant officer may decide that the sweatshirts mentioned in the above regulations should not be worn.
- 6.3 A plain dark skirt may be worn in place of the trousers in the above regulations and a plain dark coloured handbag or shoulder bag may be carried.
- 6.4 When not on parade, officers may wear a plain dark jacket to match their trousers / skirt.
- 6.5 The tie referred to in the above regulations will be: a Boys' Brigade tie; a Boys' Brigade Seniors' tie; or, a Boys' Brigade officers' tie.
- 6.8 The BB buttonhole badge may be worn by any member when not in uniform.
- 6.12 Chaplains will wear either officers' uniform or their usual clerical attire. A clerical collar and shirt may be worn, if desired, in place of the shirt and tie stated in the above regulations.
- 6.14 A maximum of two Company medals may be worn on the left breast above The Boys' Brigade anchor.
- 6.15 On ceremonial occasions, Officers may wear the ribbon of their medals and decorations.



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### 7 Exceptions

In contrast to the national Uniform Regulations, the following Exceptions apply. Some of these Exceptions are already reflected in earlier clauses.

- 7.1 Anchors and Juniors may wear a plain blue short-sleeve generic polo shirt in place of the royal blue Boys' Brigade polo shirt.
- 7.2 In the case of Company, Seniors, Staff Sergeants, Captains, Lieutenants and Warrant Officers, the wearing of polo shirts or sweatshirts is not entertained as uniform.
- 7.3 ~~The wearing of hats/caps is the norm rather than an option, aside from specific occasions where an Officer decides otherwise. However, in the case of Battalion, District or national events, a relevant Officer (as defined in clause 6.1 of the national Uniform Regulations) may enforce a different decision on the wearing of hats/caps. As of September 2023, until BB Supplies restores the supply of the Boys' hat, it will not be worn except by those forming a Colour Party and/or bearing the Colours; officers will still wear caps.~~
- 7.4 ~~Contrary to clause 6.9 of the national Uniform Regulations, those who wear a hat/cap will wear a poppy behind their hat/cap badge during Remembrance parades and occasions; in the specific case of Glengarry Caps, the paper parts of a poppy should be placed behind the cap badge in a rosette-like fashion~~

Contrary to clause 6.9 of the national Uniform Regulations, Leaders will wear a poppy behind their cap badge during Remembrance parades and occasions; in the specific case of Glengarry Caps, the paper parts of a poppy should be placed behind the cap badge in a rosette-like fashion.

Others will wear a poppy on the left breast above The Boys' Brigade anchor during Remembrance parades and occasions.

## PROVISIONING TABLE

	Anchors	Juniors	Company and Seniors
<b>Provisioned by Company, paid for by Parent</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red Boys' Brigade sweatshirt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Royal blue Boys' Brigade sweatshirt</li> <li>Boys' hat, with               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hat badge</li> <li>Yellow surround</li> <li>Company number insert</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Navy blue Boys' Brigade shirt</li> <li>Boys' Brigade tie, or Boys' Brigade Seniors tie</li> <li>Black leather belt with chrome Boys' Brigade buckle</li> <li>Boys' hat, with               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hat badge</li> <li>Red surround for Company or Blue surround for Seniors</li> <li>Company number insert</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Provisioned and paid for by Company</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Armband (small)</li> <li>Badges, as awarded</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Armband (small)</li> <li>Badges, as awarded</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1-2 armbands (large)</li> <li>Badges, as awarded</li> <li>NCO stripes, where appointed</li> </ul>
<b>Provisioned by Parent/Carer</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plain blue short-sleeve polo shirt</li> <li>Plain dark trousers</li> <li>Plain dark socks</li> <li>Black formal shoes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plain blue short-sleeve polo shirt</li> <li>Plain dark trousers</li> <li>Plain dark socks</li> <li>Black formal shoes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plain dark trousers</li> <li>Plain dark socks</li> <li>Black formal shoes</li> </ul>

### Important notes:

- In the case of Anchors and Juniors, a Parent may choose to purchase a royal blue Boys' Brigade polo shirt rather than provision their own generic plain blue short-sleeve polo shirt.
- Armbands are only provisioned for a Boy once he receives his first badge(s) – i.e. in time for Awards Evening.
- As of September 2023, until BB Supplies restores the supply of the Boys' hat, it will not be worn except by those forming a Colour Party and/or bearing the Colours.