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Ranks and Insignia of the Order of Christian Knights 19 December 2022


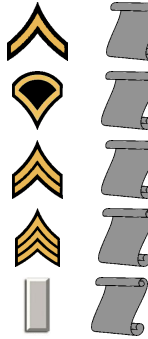












1. The purpose of this memorandum is to identify the ranks and insignia used by fellows and knights of the Order of Christian Knights, which are the two “true ranks” according to the Rule of the Order. While all Christians are brothers and sisters in Christ, it has become apparent that in the interest of ensuring effective management and communication, certain positions and offices must be further subcategorized. This memorandum shall take effect immediately by authority of the Grandmaster.
2. The rank category of Fellow shall be subcategorized as follows: Page, Cadet (1, 2, and 3), Specialist, Corporal, Sergeant, and Squire (1, 2, and 3). The rank category of Knight shall be subcategorized as follows: Knight (1, 2, 3, 4, and 5). All Knights shall be considered equal, and shall be differentiated for the purpose of honoring years of service. Each rank subcategory shall be identified by an insignia as outlined in the tables below. Insignia shall be worn on the collar of the uniform. The insignia has been selected with the greatest care of respect for the established traditions of the U.S. Military and paramilitary organizations such as fire, law enforcement, and EMS, while being true to the structure of traditional knightly Orders as well. Insignia is easily obtainable online or at brick and mortar military and law enforcement surplus and supply stores.
3. Most ranks have a male or female differentiation, to recognize the unique characteristics of men and women. However, the use of the differentiator is typically not necessary when spoken. Fellow Corporals and Lady Corporals are both referred to as Corporals, and both Knights and Dames hold the rank category of “Knight,” but are referred to as “Sir John” or “Dame Jane” respectively.
4. The Order shall also implement insignia based on officer billet. Marshals, Chaplains, Treasurers, Secretaries, and Heralds at all levels shall wear their branch insignia on their dexter collar and their rank insignia on their sinister collar. Deputies and Commanders shall wear their

rank insignia on both collars. Like the rank insignia, officer billet insignia has been selected with the greatest respect towards U.S. Military and paramilitary traditions, knightly tradition, and with an effort to be easily obtainable online and at brick and mortar military and law enforcement surplus and supply stores.




5. Below is a chart with the Fellow and Knight rank insignia.



<i>Rank Insignia</i>				
<i>Page / Paige</i>				
<i>Cadet / Cadette (1)</i> 	<i>Cadet / Cadette (2)</i> 		<i>Cadet / Cadette (3)</i> 	
<i>Novice Fellow / Novice Lady</i>				
<i>Fellow / Lady</i> 			<i>Squire / Squires (1)</i> 	
<i>Fellow Specialist / Lady Specialist</i> 	<i>Fellow Corporal / Lady Corporal</i> 		<i>Squire / Squires (2)</i> 	
	<i>Fellow Sergeant / Lady Sergeant</i> 		<i>Squire / Squires (3)</i> 	
<i>Knight / Dame (1)</i> 	<i>Knight / Dame (2)</i> 	<i>Knight / Dame (3)</i> 	<i>Knight / Dame (4)</i> 	<i>Knight / Dame (5)</i> 



6. Below is a chart showing the officer billet rank insignia.



<i>Officer Insignia - Current</i>				
<i>Regional Herald</i>	<i>Regional Secretary</i>	<i>Regional Treasurer</i>	<i>Regional Chaplain</i>	<i>Regional Marshal</i>
				
<i>Regional Deputy</i>				
				
<i>Regional Commander</i>				
				
<i>Master Herald</i>	<i>Master Secretary</i>	<i>Master Treasurer</i>	<i>Master Chaplain</i>	<i>Master Marshal</i>
				
<i>Master Deputy</i>				
				
<i>Grandmaster</i>				
				



7. Below is a chart that shows the fellow and knight rank insignia and identifies the promotion requirements, what the expected next promotion is, and what the rights, privileges, and expectations of each rank is.


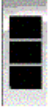
Rank and Insignia	Promotion Requirements	Rights, Privileges, and Expectations
<p><i>Page / Paige</i> <i>(no rank insignia)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be at least 8 years old ● Must be generally well behaved ● Must be the child of a knight or fellow ● Must have a letter from the parent requesting enrollment of the child as a page ● Next promotion is Cadet (1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May attend age-appropriate training at the discretion of the training cadre ● Is expected to serve guests during banquets and events
<p><i>Cadet / Cadette</i> <i>(1)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be 12-13 years old OR in 7th-8th grade ● Must be generally well behaved ● Must have a letter from the parent requesting enrollment of the adolescent as a cadet ● Next promotion is Cadet (2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May attend age-appropriate training at the discretion of the training cadre ● Is expected to serve guests during banquets and events
<p><i>Cadet / Cadette</i> <i>(2)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be 14-15 years old OR in 9th-10th grade ● Must be generally well behaved ● Must have a letter from the parent requesting enrollment of the adolescent as a cadet ● Next promotion is Cadet (3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May attend age-appropriate training at the discretion of the training cadre ● Is expected to serve guests during banquets and events
<p><i>Cadet / Cadette</i> <i>(3)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be 16-17 years old OR in 11th-12th grade ● Must be generally well behaved ● Must have a letter from the parent requesting enrollment of the adolescent as a cadet ● Next promotion is Fellow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May attend age-appropriate training at the discretion of the training cadre ● May be assigned to soft-duties during local missions (photographing the event, sandbagging, maintenance tasks, etc) under the supervision of a sergeant or knight



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Is expected to serve guests during banquets and events
<p><i>Novice Fellow / Novice Lady</i> <i>(no rank insignia)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be at least 18 years old OR have been emancipated OR have graduated the 12th grade ● Must have a background check and either a) have no record, or b) have the approval of a record review board ● Must have submitted an application, including an affirmation of the Order's statement of faith (the Nicene Creed), and received approval from the Commander ● Next promotion is Fellow OR Squire (1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must enroll in Fellowship Initial Training
<p><i>Fellow / Lady</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must have completed Child Safety Training ● Must have completed Fellowship Initial Training ● Next promotion is Specialist OR Corporal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre ● May be assigned to soft-duties during local missions (photographing the event, sandbagging, maintenance tasks, etc) under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● May attend events
<p><i>Fellow Specialist / Lady Specialist</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must demonstrate expert proficiency in some lay skillset, including but not limited to construction, ministry, agriculture, law, teaching, etc. ● Specialists may move laterally to the rank of Corporal by meeting the qualifications of Corporal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre ● May be assigned to soft-duties during missions, especially in their field of expertise, under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● May be serve as training cadre for Cadets under the

		<p>supervision of a sergeant or knight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise under the supervision of a sergeant or knight • May attend events
<p><i>Fellow Corporal / Lady Corporal</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be certified in basic first aid • Must pass the NRA Basic Pistol Marksmanship Qualification (Marksman or Sharpshooter) • Next promotion is Sergeant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre • May be assigned to hard-duties during missions under the supervision of a sergeant or knight • May be serve as training cadre for Cadets under the supervision of a sergeant or knight • May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise under the supervision of a sergeant or knight • May attend events
<p><i>Fellow Sergeant / Lady Sergeant</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must attend at least 18 Advanced Chivalry Training sessions • Sergeants may express a desire to be evaluated for knighthood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre • May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader, during missions under the supervision of another sergeant or a knight • May be serve as training cadre • May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise • May attend events
<p><i>Squire / Squiress (1)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 18-20 years old • Must submit a letter of interest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the

	<p>in enrolling as a Squire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must have been assigned a mentor-knight ● Must meet the qualifications of Fellow ● Squires (1) may move laterally to the rank of Fellow ● Next promotion is Squire (2) OR Corporal 	<p>discretion of the training cadre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May be assigned to soft-duties during missions, especially in their field of expertise, under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● May be serve as training cadre for Cadets under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly ● Is expected to meet with their mentor-knight weekly ● Is expected to serve their mentor-knight during events
<p><i>Squire / Squires (2)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be 19-21 years old ● Must submit a letter of interest in enrolling as a Squire ● Must be assigned a mentor-knight ● Must meet the qualifications of Corporal ● Squires (2) may move laterally to the rank of Corporal ● Next promotion is Squire (3) OR Sergeant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre ● May be assigned to hard-duties during missions under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● May be serve as training cadre for Cadets under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise under the supervision of a sergeant or knight ● Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly ● Is expected to meet with their


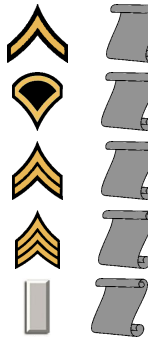

















		<p>mentor-knight weekly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Is expected to serve their mentor-knight during events
<p><i>Squire / Squires</i> (3)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be 20-22 years old ● Must submit a letter of interest in enrolling as a Squire ● Must be assigned to a mentor-knight ● Must meet the qualifications of Sergeant ● Squires (3) may move laterally to the rank of Sergeant ● Next promotion is to Knight 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre ● May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader, during missions under the supervision of another sergeant or a knight ● May be serve as training cadre for Cadets ● May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise ● Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly ● Is expected to meet with their mentor-knight weekly ● Is expected to serve their mentor-knight during events
<p><i>Knight / Dame</i> (1)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be a Baptized Christian ● Must be at least 18 years old ● Must have expressed a sincere commitment to live a life of chivalry ● Must generally meet the qualifications of a deacon listed in 1 Timothy 3:8-13: dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain, sound in faith and life, blameless, (if married) have a godly spouse, not committing adultery or fornication, and a well-managed household. ● Must be certified in basic first aid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May vote in elections ● May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre ● May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader or mission commander, during missions ● May be serve as training cadre ● May become a mentor-knight for a Squire ● May teach Fellowship Initial Training ● May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise ● May attend events









	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must pass the NRA Basic Pistol Marksmanship Qualification (Marksman or Sharpshooter) • Must take the vows of Obedience, Poverty, and Chastity • Must stand vigil • Next promotion is to Knight (2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly
<p><i>Knight / Dame (2)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must continue to meet the qualifications of deacon listed in 1 Timothy 3:8-13: dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain, sound in faith and life, blameless, (if married) have a godly spouse, not committing adultery or fornication, and a well-managed household. • Must be re-certified in basic first aid • Must re-pass the NRA Basic Pistol Marksmanship Qualification (Marksman or Sharpshooter) • Must have been a knight (1) for at least five years • Next promotion is to Knight (3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May vote in elections • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre • May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader or mission commander, during missions • May be serve as training cadre • May become a mentor-knight for a Squire • May teach Fellowship Initial Training • May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise • May attend events • Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly
<p><i>Knight / Dame (3)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must continue to meet the qualifications of deacon listed in 1 Timothy 3:8-13: dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain, sound in faith and life, blameless, (if married) have a godly spouse, not committing adultery or fornication, and a well-managed household. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May vote in elections • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre • May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader or mission commander, during missions • May be serve as training cadre • May become a mentor-knight for a Squire

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be re-certified in basic first aid • Must re-pass the NRA Basic Pistol Marksmanship Qualification (Marksman or Sharpshooter) • Must have been a knight (2) for at least five years • Next promotion is to Knight (4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May teach Fellowship Initial Training • May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise • May attend events • Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly
<p><i>Knights / Dames (4)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must continue to meet the qualifications of deacon listed in 1 Timothy 3:8-13: dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain, sound in faith and life, blameless, (if married) have a godly spouse, not committing adultery or fornication, and a well-managed household. • Must be re-certified in basic first aid • Must re-pass the NRA Basic Pistol Marksmanship Qualification (Marksman or Sharpshooter) • Must have been a knight (3) for at least five years • Next promotion is to Knight (5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May vote in elections • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre • May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader or mission commander, during missions • May be serve as training cadre • May become a mentor-knight for a Squire • May teach Fellowship Initial Training • May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise • May attend events • Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly
<p><i>Knights / Dames (5)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must continue to meet the qualifications of deacon listed in 1 Timothy 3:8-13: dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain, sound in faith and life, blameless, (if married) have a godly spouse, not committing adultery or fornication, and a well-managed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May vote in elections • May participate in Advanced Chivalry Training at the discretion of the training cadre • May be assigned to hard-duties, or assigned as a team leader or mission commander, during missions • May be serve as training cadre • May become a mentor-knight

	<p>household.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be re-certified in basic first aid ● Must re-pass the NRA Basic Pistol Marksmanship Qualification (Marksman or Sharpshooter) ● Must have been a knight (4) for at least five years 	<p>for a Squire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May teach Fellowship Initial Training ● May teach an Advanced Chivalry Training class in their field of expertise ● May attend events ● Is expected to attend Core Fellowship regularly
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8. The following chart is a look at what rank insignia will look like in the future as the Order expands. This system is NOT yet official, but is useful in helping all Fellows and Knights be on the same page about the vision for the future. My vision for the Order is that each community ought to be able to support one knight per one thousand men in a community. The goal, for example, is for Washington State to someday have roughly 3,500 knights, and for the entire Northwest Region to support roughly 8,000 knights. This is an ambitious goal, but would put the span of control for a 2-Star Regional Commander on par with a 2-Star division commander in the U.S. Army. A Local Commander with anywhere from 35 to 200 knights would be considered on par with a company commander (captain) in the U.S. Army. It is also possible to further expand our rank structure using gold ensign or second lieutenant insignia to represent a level of leadership below the Local Commandery in larger areas or gold captain insignia to represent an echelon of leadership between between the regional and local level in order to maintain span of control.

<i>Officer Insignia - Future</i>				
<i>Local Herald</i>	<i>Local Secretary</i>	<i>Local Treasurer</i>	<i>Local Chaplain</i>	<i>Local Marshal</i>
				
<i>Local Deputy</i>				
				
<i>Local Commander</i>				
				
<i>Regional Herald</i>	<i>Regional Secretary</i>	<i>Regional Treasurer</i>	<i>Regional Chaplain</i>	<i>Regional Marshal</i>
				
<i>Regional Deputy</i>				
				
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<i>National Commander</i>				
				
<i>Master Herald</i> 	<i>Master Secretary</i> 	<i>Master Treasurer</i> 	<i>Master Chaplain</i> 	<i>Master Marshal</i> 
<i>Master Deputy</i>				
				
<i>Grandmaster</i>				
