

# Order of Saint John of Jerusalem Knights Hospitaller- OSJ (Malta)



Under the Constitution given by His Late Majesty King Peter II of Yugoslavia

## Regalia Protocol

### Grand Priory of Australasia

Updates from 2013 Version:

- 2017 To align with Malta Rules (p8)
- 2018 Lapel Pin (Malta Form)
- 2021 Revised
- 2024 Revised



*Pro Fide Pro Utilitate Hominum* – For Faith for Service to Humanity

## MEMBERS' WEARING OF REGALIA

### INSIGNIA OF THE ORDER

The badge of the insignia of the Order has an eight pointed white enameled cross. Between each arm of the cross is a gold two headed eagle and the Arms of the Order, which is a white cross on a red oval shield.

The cross is surmounted with a gold crown and attached by a link ring to a gold trophy bearing the Arms of the Order. The insignia is suspended from a neckribbon.



### MANTLE OF THE ORDER

The mantle of the Order is a full-length red robe, vertically edged with white satin and with a white satin collar. The mantle is fully lined with white satin.

An eight-pointed Maltese cross also in white satin is on the left side of the mantle.



## ELEVATION TO HIGHER RANK

Recommendation for elevation to higher rank shall only be made because of meritorious conduct and exemplary service to the Order over a period of at least two years. Elevation of rank is not an automatic process and constitutes recognition of merit based on the work or deeds of the individual.

## GRAND PRIORY OF AUSTRALASIA ITEMS

### LAPEL BADGE

The lapel badge of the Order is an 15mm enameled red badge with the eight-pointed white Maltese Cross edged in gold and surmounted with a gold crown.



### TIE

The official tie of the Order is navy blue having a pattern of a white cross on a red shield and the eight-pointed white Maltese Cross.



### SCARF

The scarf of the Order is a rectangular navy blue scarf having a pattern of a white cross on a red shield and the eight pointed white Maltese Cross.



### BOW TIE

The bow tie of the Order is navy blue having a pattern of a white cross on a red shield and the eight-pointed white Maltese Cross.



**IMPORTANT:** The bow tie **only, must** be worn when wearing the mantle and collarette or, wearing collarette without the mantle.

## RANK OF THE ORDER BY NECK RIBBON AND MANTLE COLLAR

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*For braid placement and measurements, see the diagram on page 9.*

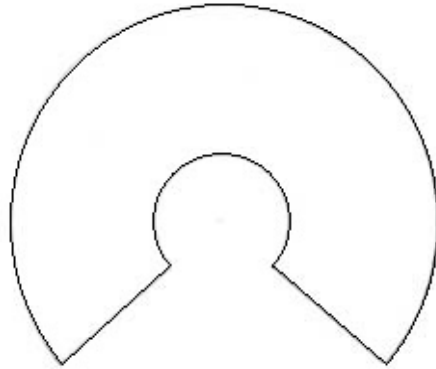
### **Knight/Dame of Honour KSJ/DSJ**

Neck ribbon bearing the insignia of the Order.



### **Knight/Dame of Honour**

Mantle collar with no braid.



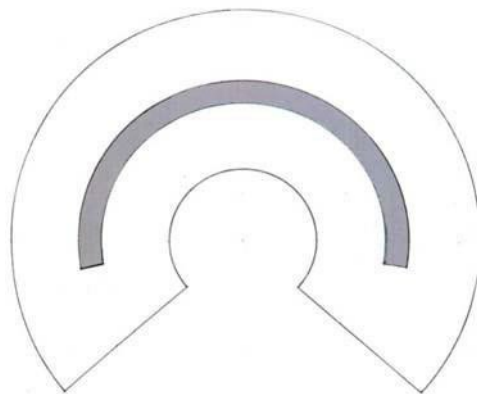
### **Knight/Dame of Grace KGSJ/DGSJ**

Neck ribbon with one silver stripe and bearing the insignia of the Order.



### **Knight/Dame of Grace**

Mantle collar with one silver braid



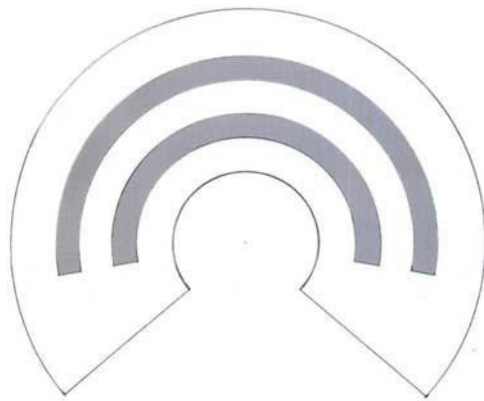
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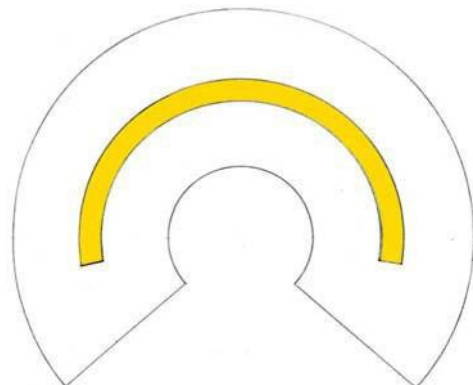
**Knight/Dame Commander of Grace CGSJ**  
Neck ribbon with two silver stripes and bearing the insignia of the Order.

**Knight/Dame Commander of Grace**  
Mantle collar with two silver braid.



**Knight/Dame of Justice KJSJ/DJSJ**  
Neck ribbon with one gold stripe and bearing the insignia of the Order.

**Knight/Dame of Justice**  
Mantle collar with one gold braid.



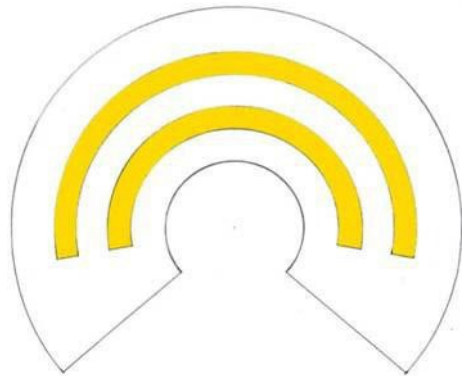
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**Knight/Dame Commander of Justice CJSJ**  
Neck ribbon with two gold stripes and bearing the insignia of the Order.

**Knight/Dame Commander of Justice**  
Mantle collar with two gold braid.



**Knight/Dame Grand Cross of Justice GCSJ**  
Neck ribbon with three gold stripes and bearing the insignia of the Order.

**Knight/Dame Grand Cross of Justice**  
Mantle collar with three gold braid.





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**Bailiff/Grand Dame Grand Cross of Justice  
OSJ**

Neck ribbon with three gold stripes and bearing the insignia of the Order.

**Bailiff/Grand Dame Grand Cross of Justice**  
Mantle collar with three gold braid



**Breast Star of the Order**

Worn on the left side of the coat by Knight/Dame Commander of Justice, Knight/Dame Grand Cross of Justice and Bailiff/Grand Dame Grand Cross of Justice. The Star is worn on a formal occasion.

**Sash of the Order**

Knight/Grand Dame Grand Cross of Justice and Bailiff/Grand Dame Grand Cross of Justice wear the Sash of the Order (with the badge of the Order on the lower edge) over the right shoulder to the left hip and under the jacket. The Sash is worn on a formal occasion.

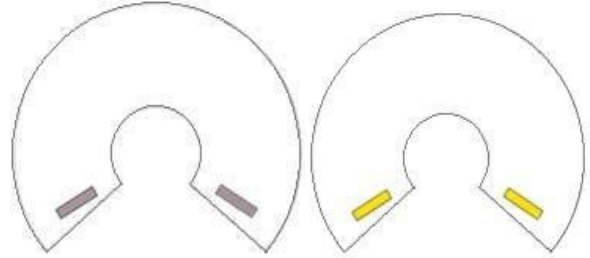


## LEADERS OF THE ORDER

*For Knights: The Insignia MUST be worn with only the OSJ bow tie. The neck ribbon is to be worn under the shirt collar.*

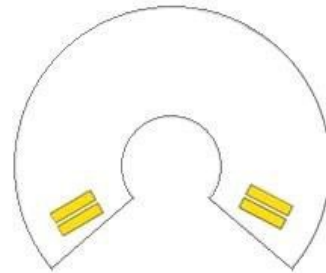
### **Commander of Commandery**

Braid of rank and one silver bar (50 mm long) at each front edge of the collar if K/D of Grace or one gold bar at each front edge of the collar if K/D of Justice.



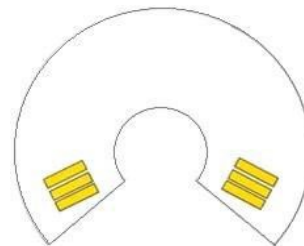
### **Prior of Priory**

Braid of rank and two gold bars each 50 mm long at each front edge of the collar.



### **Grand Prior of Grand Priory**

Braid of rank and three gold bars each 50 mm long at each front edge of the collar.



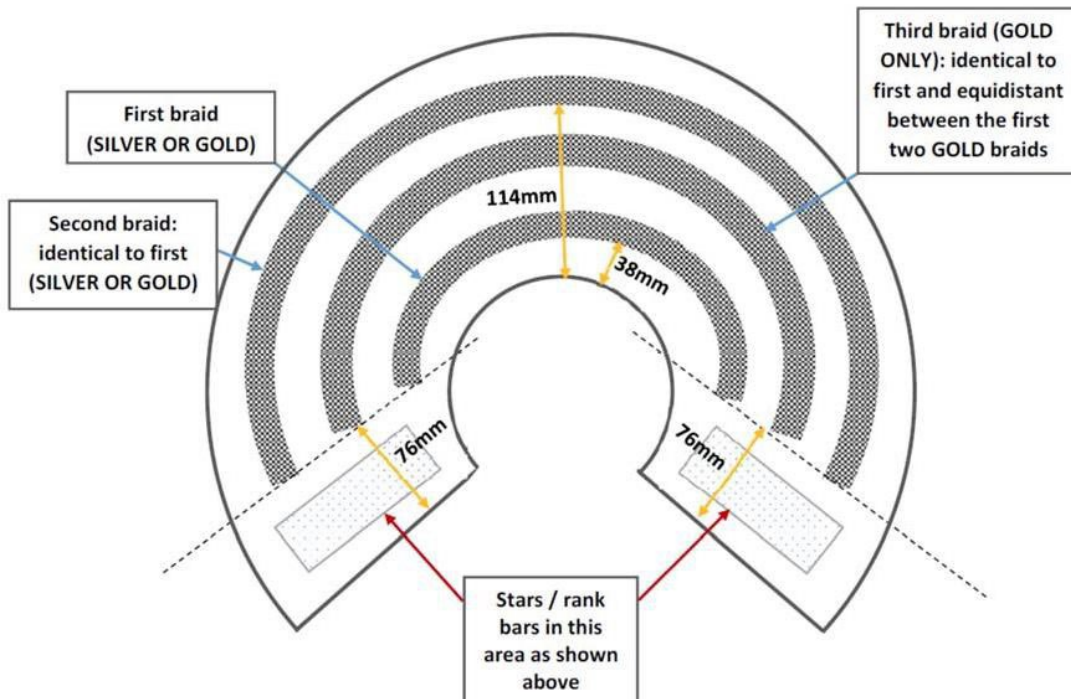


**Diagram summarizing rank placement. Braid width: 13mm. (Indicative only: not to scale)**

First Braid: Silver or Gold braid is to be measured 38mm from the collar neck seam to the inner edge of the braid and finishing 76mm from the front edge of the collar.

Second Braid: Silver or Gold braid is to be measured 114mm from the collar neck seam to the inner edge of the braid and finishing 76mm from the front edge of the collar.

Third Braid: Only Gold, and the braid is to be equidistant between the first two and finishing 76mm from the front edge of the collar.



Clergy Sash (Stole)



The stole is a symbol of priestly / ministerial office. It is worn by the officiating Prelate or Priory Chaplain at all religious services of the Order and when administering the oath during an investiture.

The *Medals of Merit*, namely those of Gold, Silver and Bronze, are awarded at the discretion of the Grand Prior/Prior and hence are not mandatory. The decision to grant these awards rest exclusively with the Petit Conseil. All three medals hang from a red and white ribbon. As with all other insignia, Dames may wear their badges or medals from a bow.

Medals of Merit will immediately follow that of the Order. When worn by a Dame and if this is her only award, the insignia of merit may hang from a ribbon mounted on a bow.

The Cross of Merit may be presented as a special reward from the LT Grand Master to those members who have given extensive and special services to the Order or to the communities that it serves whether over a period of years or as a special act deriving such recognition. The decision to grant such an award rest exclusively with the LT Grand Master.



*Miniatures and Ribbons.*

When you receive the Insignia of the Order you also receive a Miniature of the Order.

The Miniature is only worn with evening wear, on the right breast, it is not worn with day wear.

When mounted, the total length is not to exceed 50 mm unless other insignia so necessitate.



### *Wearing of Medals*

The Official “Order of Wearing Australian Honours and Awards” document states that only awards of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem may be worn with other Australian Honours and Awards.

Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, Knights Hospitaller awards may be worn on the right side of the body, **but under no circumstances** should they be mixed with authorised awards.

Only insignia of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem may be worn on ADF uniform.

It is recommended that the Neck Insignia is only worn at purely OSJ activities / functions not at unrelated functions.

Under no circumstances does the right to wear these Medals or their ribbons devolve to a family member or relative other than for family members of a deceased recipient.