

Summary of Accepted Practices of the General Society of the War of 1812

Dress Evening attire (dinner jacket or full evening dress) is customarily worn on all formal occasions. Attire for formal or informal occasions follows the dictates of good taste and social usage.

Uniforms of the U.S. Armed Forces, service or dress, may be worn at any social function by those entitled to do so.

Insignia and Decorations for Gentlemen It is recommended that the insignia and decorations of the General Society of the War of 1812 be worn as prescribed below in keeping with customs and tradition.

Members Use rosettes, blazer patches, society ties, as well as standard and miniature membership badges as set forth above.

Chapter Presidents and Past Chapter Presidents (in State Societies that have Chapters) Use rosettes, blazer patches, society ties, as well as standard and miniature membership badges as set forth above. They may also wear the General Society standard membership badge suspended from the neck ribbon of the society.

State Society officers excepting Presidents and Past Presidents Use rosettes, blazer patches, society ties, as well as standard and miniature membership badges as set forth above in members section.

State Society Presidents and State Society Past Presidents Use rosettes, blazer patches, society ties, as well as standard and miniature membership badges as set forth above. They may also wear the General Society standard membership badge suspended from the neck ribbon of the society or the State President's Star as prescribed. A State Society President or Past State Society President may wear the narrow sash.

General Officers Use rosettes, blazer patches, society ties, as well as standard and miniature membership badges as set forth above. They may also wear the General Society standard membership badge suspended from the neck ribbon of the society. All General Society Officers and Emeritus Officers may also wear the broad sash.

President General, Past Presidents General and Honorary Presidents

General Use rosettes, blazer patches, society ties, as well as standard and miniature membership badges as set forth above. They may wear the President General's Plaque or the President General's Star as prescribed and all other insignia at their discretion.

In 1890, resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, that the distinctive badges adopted by military societies of men who served in the armies and navies of the United States in the War of the Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, and the War of the Rebellion, respectively, may be worn upon all occasions of ceremony by officers and enlisted men of the Army and Navy of the United States who are members of said organization in their own right.

Federal Statute in the United States Code Annotated at 10 U.S.C.A. 1123 (West, 1983)

(a) A member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps who is a member of a military society originally composed of men who served in an armed force of the United States during the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, the Philippine insurrection, or the Chinese relief Expedition of 1900, may wear, on occasions of ceremony, the distinctive badges adopted by that society.