

COSSAR COLOR GUARD HANDBOOK

OBJECTIVE

The COSSAR Color Guard represents the Colorado Society Sons of the American Revolution in many ways. This hand book is an attempt to provide some guidance in presenting a safe and successful program. Here are some options for presentations

- **Posting Colors:** The U.S. Flag is secured in a standard and the Guard is dismissed. On occasion the Guard is asked to retire the Colors.
- **Present the Colors:** This is when the Color Guard marches into an event and lines up facing the audience. After the Pledges and or the National Anthem the Guard reties from the room. A good option when we use our own flags and can not stay till the closing to retrieve the colors. This would include sports events
- **Parades**
- **Local community presentations.** Including static displays, school presentations
- **Flag Ceremonies:** Which include 13 Folds of the Flag, U.S. Flag disposal, U.S. Flag Raising Ceremonies
- **Living History, reenactment and black powder events**
- Working with Historical Societies in American Revolutionary War subjects

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