

## Retired Members Dress

Members of the Calgary Highlanders Regimental Association, while attending events project an image that is representative of the Regiment and will be of a high standard. This positive image recognizes our organization and demonstrates pride in our unit, its lineage and ourselves. To ensure that this image is reinforced, it is of utmost importance that we wear our distinctive dress in the appropriate manner.

When attending events with serving members of the Regiment, the following should guide the decision on which order of dress to wear:

DEU 1 – Parade Dress

DEU 1A – Medals Only

DEU 3 – Duty Dress

DEU 2 – Mess Dress

DEU 3B – Business Casual

CADPAT – Business Casual

### 1. Parade Dress:

- a. Headdress: Glengarry or headgear worn as applicable to religious custom with service cap badge of the unit/regiment/branch worn while serving in the Canadian or allied forces. Association members without prior military service are not authorized to wear headdress;
- b. Navy blue blazer or regimental tartan blazer, complete with the Regimental crest on the left-hand breast pocket, regimental buttons on front and cuff of blazer.
- c. Retired officers may wear a blue suit without the abovementioned blazer crest.
- d. Grey trousers, trews in regimental tartan or knee length skirt with dark grey hose or slacks.
- e. Black shoes.
- f. Grey socks.
- g. Plain white shirt.
- h. Regimental tie.
- i. White gloves.
- j. Functions for Parade Dress: It is recommended that dress for former serving members be worn while attending any formal Battalion functions that would include:
  - i. Formed group on parade or when carrying 'Colours'.
  - ii. Remembrance Day parades.
  - iii. Church parades.

2. Medals Only:

- a. As per “Parade Dress”, without white gloves.
- b. Functions for Medals Only Dress: It is recommended that dress for former serving members be worn while attending any formal Regimental functions that do not include moving as a formed group:
  - i. Tributes and/or funerals of Regimental members.
  - ii. Association General Meetings.
  - iii. When representing the Regiment at meetings or events in the community.



3. Duty Dress:

- a. As per “Medals Only” dress, without medals and similar accoutrements.
- b. Functions for Duty Dress: It is recommended that dress for former serving members be worn while attending any formal Regimental functions that the wearing of medals is not appropriate.
  - i. Dinners where Mess Dress is not appropriate, such as Battle of St. Julien Dinner.



4. Mess Dress / Black Tie:

- a. Black tuxedo with black bow tie and miniature medals; or
- b. Black “Prince Charlie” jacket.
- c. Miniature medals on lapel.
- d. Doublet in Regimental tartan.
- e. Regimental kilt.
- f. Sporrans, specific to retired rank (ie. Officers and Senior NCO’s may wear badger sporrans, others to wear horsehair).
- g. Bow or full tie in regimental colours or tartan.
- h. White hose with red flashes.
- i. Black shoes.
- j. Functions for Duty Dress: It is recommended that dress for former serving members be worn while attending any formal Regimental evening functions:
  - i. Dinners where Mess Dress is appropriate, such as Highland Ball, Regimental Officers’ Mess Dinners etc.

5. Business Casual Dress:

- i. Headdress: None or headgear worn as applicable to religious custom, Regimental ball cap for males/females or alternative civilian hat for females.
- ii. Regimental golf shirt or another appropriate shirt with collar.
- iii. Trousers or non-torn jeans, shorts, slacks or skirt.
- iv. Clean shoes;

Note: No t-shirts or sweat pants unless appropriate for occasion or activity.



6. Notes on wearing of Orders, Decorations, Medals, Commendations and qualification badges.

The Governor General's website offers guidance on the wearing of Orders, Decorations and Medals in various forms of dress: <https://www.gg.ca/sites/default/files/wearingguide.pdf>

Command Commendations can be worn below your Orders, decorations and Medals. Qualification badges such as parachute wings can be worn above your medals.

At Regimental events, those who have been inducted into the Clan of Gallant Canadians may wear their insignia. This should not be worn at non-Regimental events.