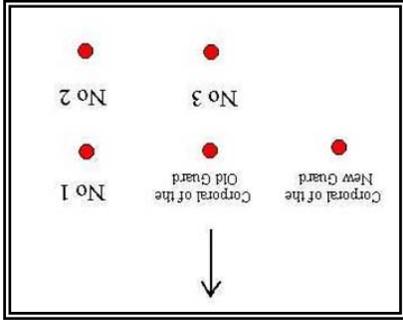


The relief will march at *Support arms*; Should an officer approach, the corporal will command "*shoulder arms*", and resume the "*support arms*" when the officer is past. The corporal will acknowledge the officer but will make no further salute. *This rule is general for guard duty.*



The relief will march by the right flank, in two ranks towards post No. 1, thus:

The relief will march by the right flank, in two ranks towards the old guard, which the latter will then do, accompanied by the corporal of the old guard.

The will then order the corporal of the relief to relieve the old guard, which the latter will then do, accompanied by the corporal of the old guard.

Relief, Close order - MARCH

Each relief will fall in at the guard tent in open order to enable the sergeant of the guard to inspect its weapons. (If the sergeant has come directly from a drill and firing display, the sergeant will dispense with the arms inspection.) After inspection, the sergeant will order:

- When a sentinel sees the relief approaching, he will halt and face to it with his arms at the shoulder. At six paces, the corporal says:

Relief ~ Halt.

- Then the relief will halt and shoulder arms. The corporal will then add, "No. 1", or "No. 2", according to the number of the post:

Arms ~ Port.

- The two sentinels will, with arms at port, then approach each other, when the old sentinel, under the correction of the corporal, will whisper the instructions to the new sentinel. This done, the sentinels will shoulder arms and the old sentinel will pass, in quick time, to his place in rear of the relief. The corporal will then command:

1. Support ~ Arms. 2. Forward. 3. March.

- And the relief proceeds in the same manner until all are relieved.
- When all the sentinels are relieved, the corporal of the old guard will take charge of his men and the sergeant will dismiss them.
- The corporal of the guard may rotate his privates as he sees fit, though one must always be present at the guard tent and at the Command tent.
- During drill, the guard will be reduced to two privates, one of whom must always remain at the guard tent. The others will return to their company for drill, but must resume their posts the moment the drill is over.
- The **Police-Guard** shall at all times be under the direct command of the Officer of the Day and the Officer of the Guard, and shall only take orders as received under such competent authority.

- Police-Guard** shall be posted at all times during the day, to begin after Morning Parade and end after Evening Retreat, or as indicated in the written Orders of the Day, and the guard shall be properly manned at all times therein, except for when the camp is secured by members of the Post guard or as ordered by the Officer of the Day.
- The **Police-Guard** is generally composed of a lieutenant (officer of the guard) and a Sergeant (or two) of the Guard, three corporals, two musicians, and enough privates to cover all the sentry posts three times over. The Guard is divided into three reliefs, or squads. *This rule is general.* The Field Officer of the Day/Post Marshal may amend as appropriate to the terrain, arrangement, and necessities of the Army.
- The assignment of the initial squad and of its relief will be by a designated sergeant. The sergeant will specify the length of time that each squad will be on duty and the time that each will be relieved. He will be present at the guard tent for the posting of the initial squad and whenever one squad relieves another. He will inspect the weapons of each squad as it comes on duty.
- Each squad will be assigned as follows: one private on duty at General Headquarters (Post No. 1); one private at the perimeter tent (Post No. 2); and one private each to patrol the perimeter of the camp (Post Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6) as needed.
- The off-duty privates and corporals at the guard tent may relax, but may not leave their post. The company's weapons are to be stored at the guard tent. The remainder of the guard company not on duty will be stationed at the guard tent to be called out if needed at a moment's notice.

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