



SEA CADETS

A1) Command Script & Flow Roles (minimal):

- **Lead Cadet** – runs commands/spacing and keeps tempo.
- **Inspector** – conducts the inspection.
- **Recorder (cadet)** – marks the sheet.

Target tempo: ~10–15 minutes per platoon (adjust by size/uniform).

1) Form Up, Open Ranks, and Report

- **Lead Cadet:** “[Platoon/Company], **FALL IN.**” (*if not already formed*)
- **Lead Cadet:** “**Open Ranks, MARCH.**” (*cadets step out to proper inspection distance*)
- **Lead Cadet:** “**Second, third, and fourth squad, Parade REST.**” (*as applicable*)
- Once spacing is set, the **Lead Cadet returns to position**, salutes, and reports:
 - “[Platoon/Company] **is ready for inspection.**”
- **Inspector:** “**Very well.**”

2) Front Inspection

- **Inspector** begins with the **first squad leader, positioned on the inspector's left (the formation's right flank)**, and proceeds across the squad from left to right as seen by the inspector.
- Check: **uniform wear & cleanliness, cover fit/condition, grooming.**
- *Optional:* ask **one short knowledge question** (see A2).
- **Recorder** notes discrepancies; **Lead Cadet** quietly preps the next cadet.

4) Rear & Cover Check

- After finishing the **front of Squad 1**, the **Inspector is already at the far end** (inspector's right / formation's left).
- The **Lead Cadet commands:** “**Uncover, TWO.**”
- The **Inspector and Recorder** then **walk behind Squad 1 back toward the squad leader** (inspector's left / formation's right), checking **backs of uniforms, hairlines, and covers.**
- At the squad leader's position, the **Lead Cadet commands:** “**Cover.**”

- From there, the **Inspector right faces into Squad 2's front rank** to begin the same sequence.
- *This one-way flow with right-hand pivots keeps the inspection smooth and avoids doubling back.*

5) Cycle Squads

- **Lead Cadet: "First squad, Parade REST. Second squad, ATTENTION."**
- Continue cycling until all squads are inspected.

6) Close Ranks & Quick Feedback

- **Lead Cadet: "[Platoon/Company], ATTENTION."**
- **Lead Cadet: "Close Ranks, MARCH."**
- **Lead Cadet: "[Platoon/Company], AT EASE."**
- **Inspector** gives brief remarks to the formation or debriefs the Lead Cadet.

Tips:

- Use staggered or parallel inspections to avoid long stand-times.
- Keep commands clear and tempo brisk.
- Treat discrepancies as training opportunities; correct with professionalism.

A2) Optional One-Question Knowledge Bank

(Use sparingly – one per cadet. Units may add their own.)

Customs & Courtesies

- If the flag isn't visible during Colors, which direction should you face?
- Name a moment when you would render a salute while in uniform?
- What command signals that salutes end after Morning or Evening Colors?
- What should you do if you are caught walking when "Attention" is sounded for Colors?
- What action do you take when an officer enters a space?

Chain of Command

- Who is your **[next in chain of command]** today?
- Who is your **Commanding Officer**?
- Who is the **Executive Director** of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps?
- Who is the **Chief of Naval Operations**?
- What is the name of the billet that manages?

Uniform Care & Wear

- What is the **gig line**?
- What height should your **flash** be from your shoulder seam?
- What is the distance between the bottom of your **flash** and the top of your rank insignia (when worn)?
- How many **creases** should be pressed into your uniform blouse/jumper?
- How many **creases** should be pressed into your trousers/skirt?
- If you are wearing **ribbons or awards**, how are they supposed to be arranged?
- If you are wearing a **ribbon or award**, can you explain **how you earned it**?
- How should **shoes** be prepared for inspection?
- What are the **grooming standards** for hair length/appearance?

Readiness & Safety

- Where is today's **muster point** if the unit relocates?
- Who do you notify if you will **arrive late or leave early**?
- What steps do you take if you see another cadet showing signs of heat stress?
- What is the **emergency signal/command** to assemble the unit quickly?
- What is the proper way to **report an injury** during drill?

Naval Basics

- What time is **Morning Colors**?
- What does the command "**Open Ranks, MARCH**" do?
- What is the purpose of a **uniform inspection**?
- Recite the **Sea Cadet Oath**.
- Sing or state the first verse of **Anchors Aweigh**.

Open Pool:

- Recite any of the **11 General Orders**.
- Answer a question about **Sea Cadet history** (e.g., year founded).
- Name the **core values of the U.S. Navy**.