



GREENVILLE COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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# GENERAL ORDERS

# RENDERING RESPECT

**PURPOSE:**

This policy provides guidelines for rendering respect.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM:**

Uniformed personnel shall stand at attention, face the American Flag or toward music if there is no flag, and render a military hand salute. Salute begins at the first music note and continues until the last note. At that point, the hand is sharply returned to the side.

Plainclothes personnel shall remove hats and stand at attention with hands over their hearts.

**AMERICAN FLAG:**

Uniformed personnel shall salute the flag as it passes on all public occasions, ceremonies or parades. Salute is given when the flag is approximately six paces away and continues until the flag is six paces beyond. When deputies are in formation or organized groups, the salute is given on command by the deputy in charge stating, "Present Arms". After passing of the flag, the deputy in charge orders salute ended with command, "Order Arms".

Plainclothes personnel shall place their hat or right hand over their heart.

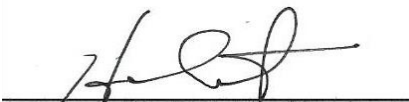
**PRAYER:**

During prayers, a uniformed deputy removes his/her hat and places it either over his/her heart or in his/her lap, if seated.

**FUNERALS:**

Civilians - A uniformed deputy attending funerals or involved in traffic control shall remove his/her hat and place it over his/her heart as the deceased and family approach. The hat is replaced after the passing of the last of the immediate family limousines.

**Law Enforcement Funeral** – The same procedure is followed as for civilian funerals, except a hand salute is given as the deceased officer and his/her family pass by.

  
Hobart Lewis, Sheriff