

WHEN TO WEAR THE UNIFORM

For KAB Scouts

1. In all formal Scouting activities, such as Color Group and Kawan meetings, outings, rallies, etc.
2. At special religious services for Scouts
3. During presentation of awards
4. During Scouting Month
5. When prescribed for special Scouting service
6. On such other occasions as may be specifically recommended or prescribed by either the Local Council or the National Office

For KAB Scouters

1. At all Color Group and Kawan meetings
2. At camps, educational trips, and other activities with the Kawan, District, or Council, the uniform is worn to and from camp with informal clothes being reserved for regular (camp routine.)
3. At formal Council affair, such as ceremonies and similar public events.
4. At special church services for members of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, or other formal occasions requested by the sponsoring institution.
5. During training courses, conferences, and district, council, regional, and national gathering.
6. Whenever appearing before the public with uniformed KAB Scouts

The Type A uniform should be worn during Kawan meetings, formal ceremonies and occasions, and in specified activities. The Type B uniform should be worn during camping and informal Scouts activities.

KAWAN AND COLOR GROUP FORMATIONS

Simple Kawan formations are necessary to orderliness and smartness and for getting the Color Groups lined up quickly for games and projects.

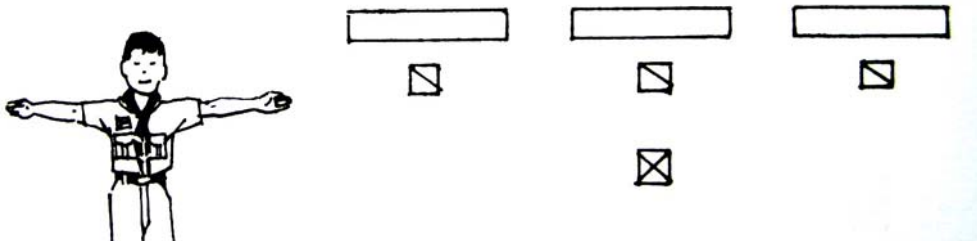
These formations compose Scout drill using silent hand signals, and not the military-type drill with shouted commands.

Silent Signals for Kawan Formations

The arm signals for Kawan formations are intended to facilitate preparations for unified group action even when the noise and the fury of the elements prevail. These signals are given by the Kawan Leader or whoever is designated as drill master facing the Kawan in operational activities.

The intelligent leader should not limit herself to the use of signals suggested. Conditions like terrain, weather, kind of emergency, physical conditions of the Scouts, and the like, should enable her to determine more practical uses of signals.

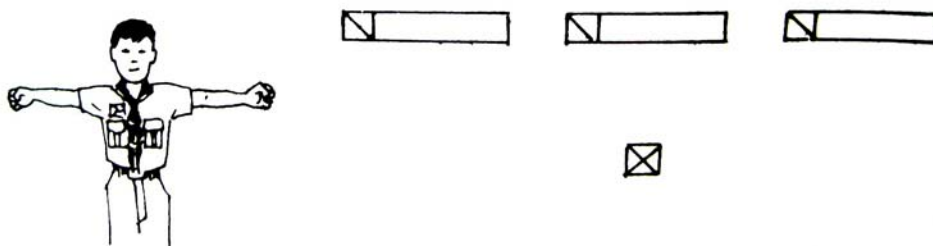
Herewith are brief descriptions and some uses of the arm signals:



- a) **SINGLE RANK FORMATION** (Kawan Line) – Extend both arms horizontally, parallel to the line you wish Kawan to take, palms turned front if you want the Color Groups in front of you.

How to Execute: Flag Bearers take up positions in front at center of their Color Groups. Color Groups fall in line two paces behind with two paces interval between Color Groups. The line dresses right without command.

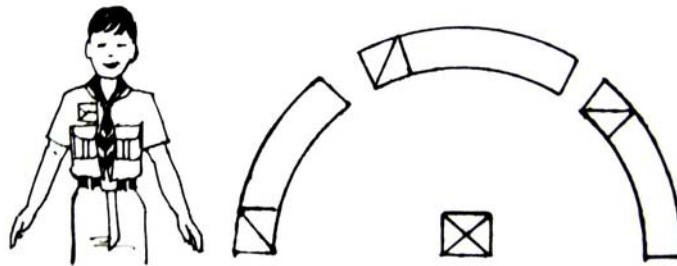
Uses: For general line-up, for inspection in meeting room, also in preparing to move the Kawan across a wide area.



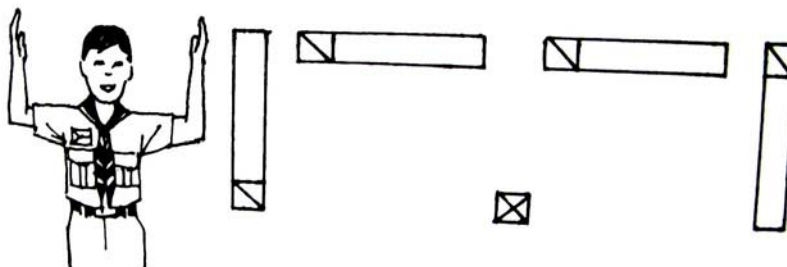
Variation: CLOSED SINGLE RANK - Extend both arms horizontally, parallel to the line you wish the color groups to take, fist closed.

How to execute: Similar to Single Rank Formation, except that Flag Bearers fall in on the right of their Color Groups.

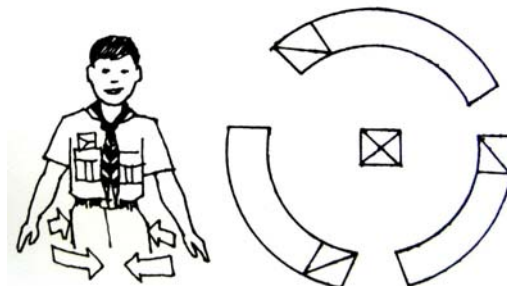
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- b) **COUNCIL FORMATION** – Both arms obliquely downward, palms facing inward.
How to Execute: Color Groups fall in line, in a single line semi-circle formation around the Kawan Leader or Chief Usa in-charge. Color Groups observe same order of sequence as in a Kawan Line, though Flag Bearers fall in on the right of their Color Groups.
Uses: For demonstrations, announcements, or special ceremonies.

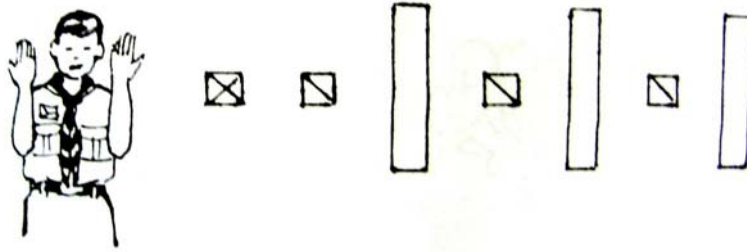


- c) **“U” FORMATION (Horseshoe Shape)** – Both arms extended sideways but bent at right angles at elbows, palms open facing inwards.
How to Execute: Color Groups fall in, in a single line. Color Groups observe same order of sequence as in Kawan Line, though Flag Bearers fall in on the right of their Color Groups.
Uses: For Flag Ceremonies and Awarding Ceremonies.

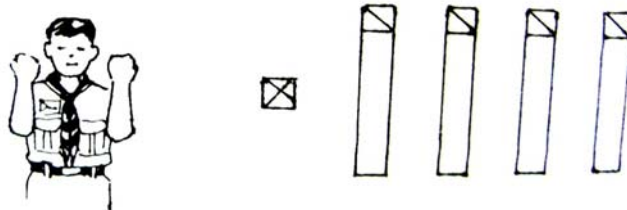


- d) **KAWAN CIRCLE FORMATION** - Both arms obliquely downward, palms facing inward, then swing them from front to rear and back several times.
How to Execute: Color Groups form a complete circle around the Leader in the same order as in Council formation.
Uses: For ceremonies and circle games.

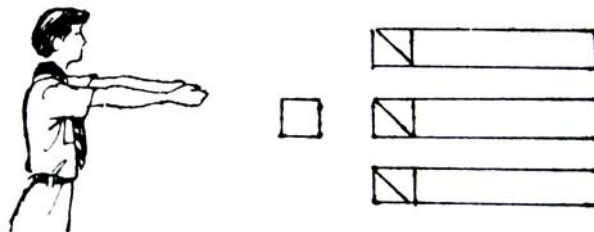
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- e) **OPEN COLUMN OF COLOR GROUPS** – Both arms extended forward, but bent at right angles at elbows, palms open with fingers toward the sky.
How to Execute: Color Groups fall in, one behind the other, dressing immediately on the front Color Group and on the right. A distance equal to the length of each Color Group should be left between it and the Color Group in front of it. Flag Bearers take two paces in front of the center of their Color Groups.
Uses: For inspection and parade formation.



- f) **CLOSED COLUMN OF COLOR GROUPS** – Same as for open column of Color Groups, except that fists are closed.
How to Execute: Similar to Open Column of Color Groups, except that each Color Group falls in, two paces behind the Color Group in front of it, with the Flag Bearers on the right of his Color Group.
Uses: For assembly in small room or area and crowded parade formation.



- g) **PARALLEL FILES** (Color Group Files) – Arms forward at shoulder height, palms facing inward, fingers pointing front.
How to Execute: Flag Bearers take positions two paces apart, their members fall in behind them.
Uses: For relays and other games.



- h) **DISMISSAL** – Swing arms downward in crossed-front position, repeated several times.
Uses: For breaking up formation or dismissal.

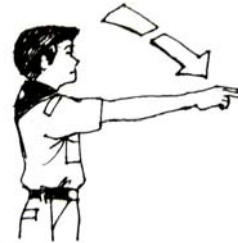
Whistle Calls/Signals

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| Attention (one long blast) | _____ |
| Assembly (short, long, pause, short, short, short) | . ___ ... |
| Flag Bearer (short, long, long, short) | . ___ . |
| Double Time (successive short) | |
| Ration's Call/Cooks Out (short, long, short) | . ___ . |
| Service Color Group (short, short, short, long) | ... _____ |
| Program Color Group (short, short, long, short) | .. _____ . |

Gesture Field Signals

The mobilization leader should not hesitate to use gesture field signals to attain his operational objectives. The following brief descriptions and meanings of the field signals will enable the leader to find more versatile use for each.

- 1) **FORWARD** – One arm extended upward then brought down to the front parallel to the ground. Also means “Follow Me”, “Let’s Go”, “Keep Moving.”



- 2) **HALT** – Hand brought straight upward over shoulder with palm facing front. Means, “stop but be on the alert,” “Don’t Move.”



- 3) **HURRY** – Closed fist, hand over shoulder; armed is pumped up and downward, means “Double Time,” “Run”. If assigned to do something, this signal means “Make it Snappy.”



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4. **DOWN** – From arms forward shoulder level, palms down, lower hands to waist level. Means “Take Cover”, “Lay Low.”



- 5) **SPREAD OUT** – Arms moved horizontally sideward, palms down, Means “Keep Further Apart.”



- 6) **ASSEMBLE** – Wave hand in circle over your head. Also means “Come Here.”



- 7) **TURN THIS WAY** – Arms sideward. Column right or left according to the direction pointed.



8. **CLOSE UP** – Move hands repeatedly in front & center of chest with palms facing each other.



- 9) **GATHER AROUND ME** - Closed fist over your head. Means “Gather around Me,” “Come Closer To Me.”



GUIDELINES ON UNIFORMS

1. TYPE A - complete uniform consisting of the shirt and pants (either long or short) with complete patches, strips, badges and insignia and with neckerchief.
 - a. Long or short pants for male adult leaders.
 - b. Skirts, (A line), shorts, culottes, long pants for female adult leaders.
 - c. Short pants for KID/KAB/Boy Scouts.
 - d. Long pants for Senior Scouts (either type A & B: short pants should be worn only, and at the option of the Outfit, during actual outdoor activity, such as hiking, explorations, expeditions, etc.
2. TYPE B - Official pants whether it is long or shorts with white T-Shirts plain or colored with the official BSP neckerchief.
3. TYPE C - Casual or civilian clothes with the official BSP neckerchief.