DRILL SEQUENCE HANDOUT (PREPARING A SQUAD FOR PARADE)

Squad in Line

When a squad is formed in line, the team leader, assuming the role of the Pl WO, shall be positioned three paces in front and centred on the squad.

Steps to Preparing a Squad for Parade

The steps to preparing a squad for parade include:

1. The squad shall form up in three ranks at the edge of the parade square and stand at ease.

2. The team leader shall carry on with forming up a squad as detailed below.

Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
a.		Team Leader	The Team Leader shall march to a position three paces in front of, and facing, the position the marker is to occupy.	The squad is formed up just off the parade square, standing easy. The right hand cadet of the front rank is the designated “Marker”.
b.	MARKER	Team Leader	The Marker shall come to attention, answer by rank, observe the standard pause, march in a direct line to, and halt three paces in front of and facing, the Team Leader. The Marker shall remain at attention.	The platoon shall come to the position of stand at ease. The Team Leader, after placing the Marker, shall turn right and march to a position three paces in front of and centre facing where the squad shall fall in.
c.	Squad FALL —IN	Team Leader	The squad shall come to attention, observe the standard pause and march onto the parade ground. It shall halt on the left of and covering off the marker and remain at attention.	A direct route shall be taken by the squad.

3. The team leader shall carry on with calling the roll as detailed below.

Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
a.	ANSWER TO YOUR NAME, STAND AT— EASE	Team Leader	Each squad member shall come to attention as their name is called, answer accordingly and stand at ease.	The team leader shall read each name from a roll and mark the attendance for each cadet.

4. The team leader shall carry on with sizing in a single rank and reforming threes (twos) as detailed below.

Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
a.	TALLEST ON THE	Team Leader	The squad shall turn right, observe the standard pause, then arrange themselves according to height, with tallest on the right and shortest on the left in one	The team leader shall ensure the cadets are arranged as ordered before proceeding.

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Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
	RIGHT, SHORTEST ON THE LEFT, IN A SINGLE RANK—SIZE		single rank, shoulder to shoulder dressing and covering off front to rear.	
b.	SQUAD—NUMBER	Team Leader	The squad shall call out their number in sequence from the right.	The team leader shall ensure that no numbers are missed.
c.	ODD NUMBERS ONE PACE FORWARD, EVEN NUMBERS ONE PACE STEP BACK—MARCH	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
d.	NUMBER ONE STAND FAST, ODD NUMBERS RIGHT, EVEN NUMBERS LEFT—TURN	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
e.	REFORM THREES (TWOS), QUICK—MARCH	Team Leader	The squad reform ranks with Number 1 as the marker and remainder filling in the next open position.	When each person arrives in their new position, they shall halt, at arm's-length interval, observe the standard pause, turn left and remain at attention.

5. The team leader shall carry on with dressing a squad as detailed below.

Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
a.	RIGHT—DRESS	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
b.	EYES—FRONT	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	Squad members shall snap the head and eyes to the front, cut the right arm behind the cadet on the right and return to the position of attention.

6. The team leader shall carry on with inspecting a squad as detailed below.

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Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
a.	OPEN ORDER—MARCH	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
b.	RIGHT—DRESS	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
c.	EYES—FRONT	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
d.		Team Leader	The team leader will inspect the front and rear of each cadet, starting at the right marker and proceeding around each rank in turn. The inspection of a cadet shall start at the head and work down to the feet.	The purpose of an inspection is to ensure a standard of personal hygiene and grooming, and that each cadet is properly dressed, with all clothing, badges, etc, are worn correctly, clean, and in good repair.
e.	CLOSE ORDER—MARCH	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
f.	RIGHT—DRESS	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
g.	EYES—FRONT	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	
h.	STAND AT—EASE	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	

7. As the platoon commander approaches, the team leader shall carry on with handing over a squad as detailed below.

Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
a.	ATTEN—TION	Team Leader	The squad shall act as ordered.	The team leader calls the squad to attention as the platoon commander approaches.
b.		Team Leader		The platoon commander halts two paces in front of the team leader, who reports the squads strength and condition.
c.		Team Leader		Upon being ordered to fall in, the team leader turns right, by a series of wheels proceeds around the right flank and takes their position behind the squad.

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Item	Command	Given By	Execution	Observation
d.		Platoon Commander		The platoon commander marches forward two paces to take up their position.

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