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Chapter 40 - Forest Service Honor Guard Drill and Ceremony Guide**

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**Explanation of changes:** Following is an explanation of the changes throughout the directive by section.

**1309.13:** Establishes a new handbook, FSH 1309.13, Forest Service Honor Guard Handbook, which provides direction and recommended standard operating procedures for the Forest Service Honor Guard.

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## **41 - Detailed Honor Guard Standards**

The Forest Service Honor Guard Drill and Ceremony Guide (Guide) as referred to in this handbook, was written to provide detail, uniformity, and standardization for Forest Service Honor Guard. This publication prescribes procedures for all close order drill and ceremonial evolutions.

In addition to the Guide, other related information may be accessed on the Forest Service Honor Guard web site by linking to:

<http://fsweb.sanbernardino.r5.fs.fed.us/honorguard/index.shtml>

The Guide contains, but is not limited to, detailed instruction on the following topics:

### **Part I: Drill**

1. Introduction to Drill.
2. Individual Instructions without Arms.
3. Manual of Arms with the Service Rifle.
4. Manual of Arms with the Brush Hook.
5. Manual of Arms with the Pulaski.
6. Sword Manual.
7. National and Organizational Flags.
8. Squad Drill.
9. Training and Drill Evaluation.
10. Uniforms and Appearance Standards.

### **Part II: Ceremonies**

1. General Information.
2. Reviews.
3. Parades and Other Events.
4. Funerals and Memorial Services.
5. Loading and Ceremonial Firing of the Service Rifle.

### **Appendix**

Ceremonial Equipment.