

## The Canadian Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Service Sunday September 28, 2025 1100hrs

# Parade Orders

### Our Purpose

Each year, on the last Sunday of September, we gather at the Canadian Police and Peace Officers' National Memorial Service on Parliament Hill to formally express our gratitude for the dedication of police and peace officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice to keep our communities safe.

#### Order of March

#### Motorcycle Squad

Motorcycles will form up on Wellington between O'Connor and Kent Streets. MCs will lead the parade onto the Hill via Bank Street gate, follow the roadways up and around the lawn, roll past the podium, and exit back onto Wellington via the East/Elgin Gate. An Honourary Motorcycle Squad (maximum 20) will remain on the Hill for the duration of the service. The Honourary MCs (max 20) will initiate the March Past of Headdress ahead of the marching columns at the conclusion of the service.

#### Combined Ottawa Police/RCMP Ceremonial Guard

Hat bearer(s) and Escort

Wreath Escorts

Toronto Police Chief's Ceremonial Unit

#### Column A - Honourary Column

Ottawa Police, Thunder Bay Police Service, Canadian Forces Military Police Group, Parliamentary Protective Services

#### Column B - Federal Agencies

RCMP, Correctional Services Canada, CBSA, Parks Canada, Fisheries and Oceans

#### **Column C - Provincial Agencies**

Sûreté du Québec, Ontario Provincial Police, Provincial and/or Territorial Correctional Services, etc.

Column D - Municipal/Regional Agencies A-L

Column E - Municipal/Regional Agencies M-Z and International Agencies

\*\*\*Please note: Each column will be led onto the Hill by a Pipe/Ceremonial Band\*\*\*

### Timings and Assembly

0830hrs-1000hrs: The parade will form up on Wellington Street between Kent and Lyon Streets in front of the Supreme Court. Pipe Bands/Ceremonial Bands will form up on the north extension of Kent Street next to the Supreme Court lawn.

1020hrs: Step-off.

1100hrs-1200hrs: Canadian Police and Peace Officers' National Memorial Service on the East Lawn of Parliament Hill.

1200hrs-1300hrs: March Past the Headdress (Eyes Right) and return to Wellington Street for dismissal.

### **Dress and Equipment**

Full Dress Uniform or Business Attire with Medals and Decorations. Headdress will remain on throughout the service.

### Route and Movements

On Ingress: the parade will move from west to east along Wellington Street to Bank Street; Left Wheel onto MacKenzie and immediate Right Wheel through the gates onto Parliament Hill; Left Wheel in front of West Block (House of Commons); Right Wheel in front of Centre Block; and Right Wheel onto the East Lawn in formation as directed by Parade Marshalls. The parade will halt and Left Turn to face East Block where it will remain for the duration of the service.

<u>On Egress</u>: the parade will march off in Column of Route past the Dias and Headdress returning down the same route back to Wellington Street for dismissal. An Eyes Right will be given by each contingent/service/agency commander for the Headdress.

# **Duties and Responsibilities**

<u>Parade Commanders:</u> Sergeant Major Sebastien Paradis of the Ottawa Police Service will give all words of command to the parade throughout the service.

<u>Parade Marshalls and Auxiliaries:</u> Parade Marshalls will be identified with red arm bands reading: "Parade Marshall". The Marshalls will be located on Wellington Street and will assist in the formation of the columns. Marshalls and Auxiliaries from the Ontario Provincial Police and Ottawa Police Service will be assigned to each column to facilitate the departure of columns from the muster point, arrival & coordination of columns on the front lawn of Parliament Hill and to help guide the columns upon egress and dismissal.

### Safety and Contingencies

Safety and security will be provided by the Ottawa Police Service and Parliamentary Protective Services in an integrated command structure. Please follow their instructions and guidance.

First aid arrangements are provided by Ottawa Paramedic Services. They will have presence at the muster point and a robust posture on Parliament Hill.

In the event of an emergency the Master of Ceremony will issue instruction. Please follow the direction of Parliamentary Protective Services and Ottawa Police Service personnel.

The parade and service will be conducted rain or shine. Please be prepared for any eventuality. In the event of an extreme weather event please monitor the Memorial's social media channels: <a href="CPPOM Home Page - Canadian">CPPOM Home Page - Canadian</a> Police & Peace Officers' Memorial Blog

### Administration and Logistics

The administration for the Parade and Service is under the authority of the Memorial Service Organizing Committee. All elements of the Parade and Service are subject to approval by the Use of Hill Committee. Please adhere to all orders and instructions.

- 1. The composition and formation of the columns is subject to change based on the number of participants. This can only be determined at the mustering point.
- 2. Water will be provided at the mustering point and on the front lawn.
- 3. Unit/contingent commanders are to keep an eye on their troops and hail a Marshal or Auxiliary for any assistance.
- 4. Guests of Parade Participants are required to enter Parliament Hill via the Queen's Gate and may be subject to screening. Please provide ample time for arrival.
- 5. Limited parking is available within the Parliamentary Precinct. There will be hard road closures, please allow ample time to arrive and park. Have identification available upon request at any checkpoints.
- 6. There will be a bank of porta-johns on site at the muster points (Wellington/Kent). The only restrooms on Parliament Hill are behind West Block. Access to Parliament Buildings is prohibited. Please plan accordingly.

### Minister's Reception

A private reception for the families of fallen officers will be hosted by the Honourable Gary Anandasangaree, Minister of Public Safety, West Block immediately following the service. Access will be restricted to those families by invitation and no one else.

They are our heroes, we shall not forget them.

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