

## Flag Ceremony Commands

### Opening

Will all scouts and guests please come to attention.

Color guard, advance.

*(as soon as the flag starts moving)* Scout salute.

Color guard halt. Color guard, post the colors.

*(wait until flags are in stands to say next command)*

Would all Scouts and guests please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance:

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Two. Scout sign. Would all Scouts please join me in the Scout Oath:

On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Would all Scouts please join me in the Scout Law:

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

Would all Scouts please join me in the Outdoor Code:

As an American, I will do my best to be clean in my outdoor manners, be careful with fire, be considerate in the outdoors and be conservation-minded.

Two. Color guard dismissed, troop at ease.

### Closing

Color guard, advance. Color guard, retrieve the colors.

*(once flags are out of the stands)* Scout salute.

Color guard retreat.

*(if there is a bugler)* Bugler, sound taps.

*(if there is not a bugler)* Troop, sound taps.

*(once taps has finished)* Color guard dismissed, troop at ease.