

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 2017-  
Sons of Veterans Reserve  
24 August 2017**

1. This Order updates SVR General Order 2012-15 dated 16 September 2012 prescribing the rules for participation in the Annual Sons of Veterans Reserve Remembrance Day Parade held in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
2. All persons participating in the annual Remembrance Day Parade will be dressed in American Civil War era attire or Grand Army of the Republic uniform. Military uniforms worn will be either Union or Confederate military originals or reproductions or Grand Army of the Republic originals or reproductions. Civilian attire of the mid 1800's is acceptable. Only the following will be permitted to march in the annual Remembrance Day Parade in modern business suit or dress attire with the badge of their Order affixed. Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sisters of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sisters of the Women's Relief Corps, Sisters of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sisters of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Members of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Members of the Dames of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Members of the Order of Stars and Bars and members of the Order of Confederate Rose.
3. Footwear must be appropriate for the Civil War era uniform or dress authorized in paragraph 2 of this Order. Parade participants may not wear sandals, sneakers and similar modern day footwear.
4. No one participating in the parade may ride in, or on, or operate, a motorized vehicle or conveyance except police and emergency vehicles necessary to secure the safety of parade participants. This includes such items as scooters, rascals etc.
5. Only one person portraying President Abraham Lincoln may participate in the parade. That person will be selected by the Commanding General of the Sons of Veterans Reserve.
6. Only those persons designated by the Commanding General of the Sons of Veterans Reserve shall be permitted at the SVR parade reviewing area.

7. No unit participating in the annual Remembrance Day Parade shall stop in the line of march and allow another unit to enter unless specifically directed to do so by one of the Parade Provost Marshals.

8. Any unit may be removed or rejected from participating in the annual Remembrance Day Parade at the direction of the Parade Marshal and/or the Deputy Commander of the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

9. Horse trailers will be required to park in specified areas for the staging of the Remembrance Day Parade. Horse trailers found in other locations will be reported to the proper authorities for prosecution and/or towing.

10. No float shall be permitted in the annual Remembrance Day Parade.

11. All wheeled conveyances being pulled by draft animals shall be required to have affixed a diaper for the draft animals pulling them.

12. All participants in the Remembrance Day Parade that are mounted or riding in the animal drawn conveyance will be required to clean up and properly dispose of all manure left by their animal over the course of the formation and duration of the parade as well as in the area around their horse trailer. Animals shall not be permitted on any of the sidewalks or grassy areas of the mustering location.

13. Caps, powder, ammunition, explosive or incendiary devices shall not be carried by any of the participants in the Remembrance Day Parade.

14. All persons participating in the annual Remembrance Day Parade will form at the locations designated by the Parade Provost Marshal. There will be no exceptions to this.

15. Anyone failing to comply with instructions or directions of the Parade Provost Marshal or his deputies shall be subject to removal from the Remembrance Day Parade.

Please note that I have noticed some of the ladies in blue jeans. Please be mindful that you are under the same rules as the men. If wear jeans you will be removed. The same goes for wearing sneakers.

Let us strive to honor the "Boys in Blue" as this is our birthright.

Please feel free to check out our Gettysburg Remembrance Day Parade on

Facebook. As always if you have any questions please feel free to contact me. I can be reached at the following e-mail address [Provostsvr@gmail.com](mailto:Provostsvr@gmail.com).

Yours in the Bonds of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Major David K. Hann  
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