

Manual for Inspections



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Purpose for Inspections

“As we near the close of time, ... Order must be observed, and there must be union in maintaining order, or Satan will take advantage.” – Ellen G. White, Testimonies for the Church, Volume 1, page 210, paragraph 2

“As our numbers increased, it was evident that without some form of organization, there would be great confusion, and the work could not be carried forward successfully. To provide for the support of the ministry, for carrying on the work in new fields, for protecting both the church and ministry from unworthy members, for holding church property, for the publication of the truth through the press, and for other objects, organization was indispensable.” – The Church: Its Organization, Order and Discipline referencing General Conference Daily Bulletin (January 29, 1892)

The purpose of inspections is not to punish but rather to inform, aid, and prevent issues from arising. Additionally, it is an opportunity for ministry where we can encourage our young people and minister and share Jesus’ love with one another. The opportunity to pray with the young people during inspections is the greatest privilege of an inspector.

The language in this manual reflects that the intended audience is primarily Pathfinder Clubs. This is because Adventurer Clubs are not inspected in the same way that Pathfinder Clubs are. Adventurers are welcome to join in and participate in inspections if they are present, however, it is important to note that if it is a graded event, points are never docked due to the Adventurer(s). Educational commentary may be provided, but any commentary to the Adventurer(s) directly should be encouraging, positive affirmations. If a correction is desired to be made, it should be made to the Adventurer’s accompanying adult(s) as the responsible party and it should be clear that there is no penalty.

Uniform Inspections

What We Don't Want

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. He asked, 'How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?' The man was speechless. Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 'For many are invited, but few are chosen.'" – Matthew 22:11-14 KJV

What We Want

"I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels." – Isaiah 61:10 KJV

The uniform we wear is one of the best ministerial tools for Pathfinding. By glancing at a uniform, the testimony of experience can be read. At a glance, an inspector can tell if a Pathfinder is new to the program or if the Pathfinder is well versed in the program. Similarly, the most important item on the uniform is the baptismal pin. At an instant, an inspector can know if the Pathfinder has publicly announced to follow Jesus or if they are on the journey still to that point.

Uniform Inspections in the Florida Conference are held to the standard of the most current Florida Conference Uniform Manual, unless the person/clubs being inspected is currently a member of a different conference, then the standard used should be that person/club's respective conference.

Camporee Uniform Inspections

Scoring

There are a total of 20 inspection lines for the uniform inspection at a camporee. Each line is worth up to 5 points each thus giving the inspection a total possible score out of 100 points. All lines are possible to have partial credit according to the uniformity of the club. For any line item, if half of the club is wearing white socks instead of black socks, the club would receive half of the credit for having their socks in uniform. If there were no Pathfinders wearing that type of item, such as TLT regalia, then all of the "invisible" TLTs received maximum points for being in perfect uniform.

However, in the Florida Conference, we are aware that one missing Pathfinder belt has a varying proportional impact for a club of 100 Pathfinders versus a club of 2 Pathfinders which is unduly harsh towards the smaller clubs. To make it more fairly balanced a correctional factor is added based on the scale of club size up to the limit of 99.99 points. After all, Jesus would have died on the cross for just one of His lambs.

The following placements could be earned based off of the scoresheets. As the scores could range from 0 points to 100 points, the following categories were used.

Points Earned	Placement
100	Grand Prize
90 - 99.99	First
80 - 89.99	Second
70 - 70.99	Third
<69.99 or "Not Ready"	Participation

Camporee Uniform Inspection Form

Club Name _____ Number of Campers _____

Uniform Inspection: Each line is 0-5 points. Write all notes on the side.

- ___ Uniform Shirt Color [Tan] & Style
- ___ Skirt Color [Black] & Style
- ___ Pants Color [Black] & Style
- ___ Belts [Black] & Pathfinder Buckles
- ___ Black shoes
- ___ Sock / Stocking
- ___ Pathfinder Scarf & Slide
- ___ Honor Sash
- ___ Conference Patch
- ___ Pathfinder World Patch
- ___ Club Crest
- ___ Division Level Patch [eTrackers, Varsity, Staff]
- ___ Pathfinder Triangle
- ___ Class Level Strip
- ___ Class Pins, Class Strip, Chevron match
- ___ Ribbon Bars are proper Position
- ___ Varsity Elements [V Pins, Crimson Braid]
- ___ TLT Elements [V Pins, Black/Red Braid, TLT Office Strip]
- ___ Overall Uniform in Regulation / Neat & Clean
- ___ All Button, Buckles, Laces Fastened

Score: _____ / 100

Area Inspector (Print): _____

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RedZone Uniform Inspections

Drill Competition at Red Zone requires the Class-B, Class-A modified, or Class A uniforms. Drum Competition at Red Zone only requires the Class-B or Class-A modified uniforms, as the drums would conflict with the honor sash. Additionally, the pins on the pocket flap and ribbon bars may be uniformly removed across a drum corps, as the pins have a potential to cause injury in conjunction with the instruments and/or instrument harnesses for the purposes of performances only. For both Drill and Drum Competitions, accessorizing is allowed, but accessorizing must be uniform across the club and must still maintain the required uniform. The rule of thumb is that you can add to, but not remove from the dress uniform. There are specific guidelines within the Florida Conference Uniform Manual about these issues in particular. For the inspection sheets, please reference the Florida Conference Pathfinder Manual.

Please excuse our dust! There is more to be written on this soon. For now, please reference the “Pathfinder Full Manual” as can be found at the following website:

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Pathfinder Bible Experience Uniform Inspections

The Pathfinder Bible Experience (PBE) requires teams to attend in Class-A Uniforms. However, this is a pass/fail scenario of asking whether a club is in their Class-A Uniform or not. Therefore, any comments about the uniform should be presented as a point of education and be very clear about the lack of penalty or benefit due to the fitness of the Class-A Uniform.

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Official Club Uniform Inspections

The premise for a Class-A Uniform Inspection still holds for the local club inspection. However, this is further detailed in the “Club Inspections” section following.

Club Inspections

“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.” – 2 Corinthians 5:10 KJV

Local Club Inspections contain three different parts and is a Club of the Year requirement. The three parts are the Club Inspection, Uniform Inspection, and Drill Inspection.

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