

# **Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade Drill Competition**



**Purpose, Rules and Guidance  
Version 4, May 2019**



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## Purpose of the CLCGB Drill Competition

The CLCGB Drill Competition was started in 2017 with the intention of allowing members of the CLCGB to come together through drill. The day is designed to give them the chance of showing off their skills and exhibiting their hard work. It is a chance for companies to come together and share experiences with other members of the CLCGB.

The drill competition has now been going for two years. This version of the rules is splitting out the drill competition and music competition allowing this document to be more succinct to those companies not entering the music competition.

It is hoped this competition can encourage companies not currently participating in either the drill or music competitions to attend and take part. Please get in touch with one of the organisers (see Appendix 4) or a member who currently participates for more information. You would be welcomed.



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## **Amendments to Version 3**

- Splitting of Music competition and Drill Competition Rules into two documents. Removal of everything associated with the Music Competition unless it applies to both competitions.
- Clarification of age in Drill squads to 'under 18', order of events in Drill comp.
- Statement of a member only being able to enter one drill competition.
- Addition of 'incorrect uniform placement' to inspection.
- Clarification of timings.
- Minor changes to 'General Rules and Guidance'.

## **General Rules and Guidance**

### **Eligibility**

All aspects of the CLCGB Drill Competition are open to any member of the CLCGB. Groups can be formed of members from a company, battalion or regiment. Companies from anywhere in the CLCGB are eligible for entry independent of uniform, ability or previous affiliation with the competition. There are rules on the ages and size of groups which can enter this competition.

### **Timing**

Competitions held in the central arena will be timed by an official and a lighting system will be in operation. A klaxon or announcement will sound to indicate a squad entering the arena. A yellow light will indicate that a minimum time, if applicable, has been reached. A red light will be used to show that the maximum time has been exceeded. Should the lights fail, flags of the same colour will be used by the timing official. Details on timings are detailed in the competition details.

Any squad over running or under running the allotted time will incur penalty points at the rate of 1 point per 5 seconds up to 30 seconds and 1 point per second thereafter.

### **The Muster**

At the end of the competition awards are presented in the Muster. Drill squads will march on to the arena alongside a marching band. If a squad is associated with a company with a marching band they may march with that band. If a company is not associated with a marching band then they will be played on to music provided by one of the bands.

### **Safeguarding**

All CLCGB events must follow the 'Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade Guide to working safely with young people and vulnerable adults'.

Companies must bring a suitable number of Leaders/Helpers/Parents as prescribed by the above document to supervise the young people in their care. Companies need to ensure they conform to this document i.e. leaders/helper/parents are DBS checked and have completed safeguarding training.

Safe areas to change will be provided by the competition. Over 18's and Under 18's must not change in the same areas and adults should never be in a 1:1 situation with a young person during this event. Instructions will be provided on changing depending upon the venue. If this is not made clear, please contact a member of the organising committee by e-mail (appendix 4) or on the event.



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Safeguarding for each company is the responsibility of the officer responsible for each individual group. The CLCGB takes the safeguarding of young people very seriously and any breaches in safeguarding procedure will be referred to the national safeguarding officer.

Companies may bring external changing facilities that can be erected on the grass outside the venue. Any company wishing to do this must inform the organisers. If a company is wishing to do this, they are in charge of all the safeguarding associated with this option.

## **GDPR**

The Drill competition complies with the 'CLCGB Data Privacy Notice'. The competition presumes that the process of entering the competition gives us the right to hold data on the company, band and/or squad. The data we hold comprises of that given in the entrance form in Appendix 4 and the data generated by the event itself (i.e. the results, programme of events and any associated social media posts and pictures). We will hold entry forms for two years after entry. We will hold an e-mail address of CO/Bandmasters indefinitely for contact purposes. We will hold the results and programme of events as a matter of historical archive (including names of any individual winner or entrant).

Under GDPR you have the right to review this data, correct this data and remove this data at any time.

Some of the data may be in the public domain and it will not be possible to remove or fully correct this data.

## **General Information**

Each participating company must supply at least one member to help run events on the day. This will probably be in the form of 'running' for a judge or official. Job roles will be assigned on the day. This can be a participating member.

Any times issued on the day will be subject to change with what is happening on the arena. As much warning as possible will be given by the arena marshal but all squads must be prepared 10 minutes before their allotted time slot.

Completed entry forms must be submitted 2 weeks prior to the date of the competition to allow for arena planning and a programme to be constructed. Timings will be provided to companies as soon as possible before the event. Entries may not be accepted after this date.

The Arena is of the dimensions 14m x 26m. This area will be marked by cones. Squads must stay within the marked arena for the duration of their display. Squads will start in formation on the arena.

Drill squads will be allowed a number of helpers based upon their size. This is to help with preparing the drill squad for their performance. Squads are allowed 2 helpers to help them prepare for the competition. If a squad exceeds 20 people then an extra helper can be added per 10 members rounding up (i.e. 20-30 members can have 3 helpers, 30-40 members can have 4 helpers). [NB this does not counteract the safeguarding rules from the previous page. This is the number allowed to prepare the drill squad for inspection. It is also the number that will be allowed into the band competition free of charge. If more are needed to ensure safeguarding, then these must be provided.]



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A Band/Squad information sheet (see appendix 3) must be submitted on the week of the event with the information necessary for an announcement before each performance.

If a backing track is needed for the drill competition this must be brought on a fully labelled CD **AND** an audio device with a headphone jack. This must be submitted 10 minutes before the start of the drill competition, so a sound check can be undertaken.

Any changes on the day must be communicated to the event organisers as soon as possible to allow changes to be implemented in the programme of events.

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## Drill Competition

**Overview:** This competition is for companies to showcase the drill they do on a meeting night in a healthy competition against other companies. There is a set selection of drill manoeuvres for each age category that can be performed in any order selected from the Brigade Drill Manual. These have been set for age and level of difficulty.

Part of the competition consists of these manoeuvres performed in either a memorised display (with or without backing track) or in a practised order with a drill instructor giving verbal commands. If an instructor is giving commands, then a free movement section should be included of ~30 seconds made up of a routine with no commands given.

Part of the competition is a further section of drill commands where a previously unseen list of commands will be issued to the drill instructor to show the drill squads response to an unpractised order of commands.

These parts can be done in either order depending on the wishes of the squad.

**Performers:** This competition is open for squads from Y Team, JTC and Seniors (under 18). Squads have a minimum size of 4 members, there is no maximum size. A younger member can participate as part of an older squad, but an older member cannot participate as part of a younger squad. (i.e. a Y-Team member can participate in a JTC squad but a JTC member cannot participate in a Y-Team squad). There is no limit to the number of younger members that enter an older squad.

An instructor for the drill squad is recommended. The instructor will not be marked. The instructor can be of any age. An instructor can be supplied for the oral command section if necessary.

A company can enter one squad per age category into the competition. (The instructor can be the same for each entry). A member may only be part of one Drill Squad.

**Dress:** Squads must wear either formal or informal Brigade uniform. Four members of each squad will be inspected. (See Inspection Competition for details).

**Drill:** Must be smart, uniform and based on the Brigade Drill Manual.

**Timings:** The display part of the competition should be between 2 and 4 minutes long. This should include a free movement sequence that should be a minimum of 30 seconds to demonstrate how the squad can manoeuvre without the direction of an instructor. The oral command section will take place immediately before or afterward, depending upon the squads wishes.

**Marking criteria:** Squads will be judged on the following criteria (total 100 marks):

- Set moves (Commands at the halt, Turns, Marching, Free Movement) – 10 marks each, 40 marks total.
- Execution – 20 marks
- Uniformity and Synchronisation – 20 marks
- Oral Commands – 20 marks

**Marking:** Squads will be marked using the criteria above. The squad with the highest mark in each age category will be the winner.

In the event of a tie in the drill competition the squad with the highest mark in 'execution' will be declared the winner.

**Awards:** The following awards are available in this competition:

- Drill Competition – *Y-Team, JTC and Senior Corps Winner*



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**Drill Commands:**

The drill routine must include the following mandatory commands:

**Y-Team Commands:**

Attention  
Stand at Ease  
Quick March  
Halt  
Left and Right Turns at the Halt (at least one)  
Salute

**JTC Commands:**

Attention  
Stand at Ease  
Quick March  
Halt  
Left, Right and About Turns at the Halt (all three must be performed)  
Left and Right Inclines at the Halt (at least one)  
Salute

**Senior Corps Commands:**

Attention  
Stand at Ease  
Quick March  
Slow March  
Halt (Quick and Slow)  
Left, Right and About Turns at the Halt (all to be performed)  
Left and Right Inclines at the Halt (at least one)  
Left and Right Turns on the March (at least one, quick or slow pace)  
Salute

The free movement section of the display can contain any movement/command in the Brigade Drill Manual.



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## Inspection Competition

**Overview:** This competition is mandatory for all participating members of the Drill competition. Members uniform will be inspected and a mark out of 10 given. Members will be inspected by two separate judges.

### Performers:

Drill: 4 Members of each drill squad will be selected at random to be inspected at the start of the inspection time. The rest of the drill squad will not be inspected. There are separate competitions for each age category (Y-Team, JTC and Senior Corps).

[NB If a member is also participating in the Music Competition there is a chance they may get inspected twice]

**Dress:** All members must wear a Brigade uniform (either formal or informal).

**Timings:** Inspection will take place just before the squad is on the arena.

**Marking criteria:** Each member will be marked out of 10. Marks are lost for the following reasons:

- |                |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| - Fluff        | - Untidiness                   |
| - Creases      | - Personal Discipline          |
| - Dirt         | - Incorrect Uniform Placement  |
| - Loose Thread | - Rips/Tears/Repairable damage |

**Marking:** The total for the squad will be calculated. The squad with the highest score in their inspection competition will win.

In the event of a tie in any of the competitions the winner will be decided using the 'Execution' mark with the highest mark winning the competition.

If there is only one entry for any competition then a minimum mark of 60% must be achieved for the drill squad to win the competition.

**Awards:** The following awards are available in this competition:

Y-Team Drill Squad – *Formal and Informal Winner*

JTC Drill Squad – *Formal and Informal Winner*

Senior Corp Drill Squad – *Formal and Informal Winner*





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## Appendix 1: Proposed order of events

- 10.00am - Arrival
- 10.15am - Leaders meeting
- 10.30am - Parade in the colours
- 10.30am - Ensembles and Solos for Music Competition Commence
- 11.50am - Drill inspection starts. Drill squads will be on in reverse age order starting with Senior Corp squads, then JTC Squads and then Y-Team Squads.
- 12.00pm - Drill competition starts on the Main Arena.
- 1.00pm - Marching Band Inspection commences in inspection room.
- 1.20pm - Marching Band competition commences.
- 3.30pm - Performance by the CLCGB National Band
- 3.45pm - Muster – Prize giving and announcements, all participating members to fall-in.  
- Retreat of the colour.
- 4.30pm - Winning band to perform on arena.
- 6pm - Hall must be cleared. The competition may run until this point if there are a high number of entries.

[NB This is subject to change on the day of the competition. A programme of events will be issued in the week preceding the competition with final timings.]



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## **Appendix 2: List of awards**

### **Drill Competition:**

Y-Team Winner - Trophy

JTC Winner - Trophy

Senior Corp Winner – Trophy

### **Inspection:**

Formal: Y-Team, JTC and Senior Corp Drill Squad - Trophy

Informal: Y-Team, JTC and Senior Corp Drill Squad - Trophy



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## **Appendix 3: Band/Squad Information Sheet**

This must be submitted to the event organisers in the week before the competition or first thing upon arrival on the day. Comments will be read out before the corresponding competition. These can be informative and/or humorous and should give an insight into that part of the competition.

Name of Band/Company:

Comment for before performance 1. Name of event (i.e. Ensemble, Marching Band, JTC Drill Squad etc):

Comment for before performance 2. Name of event:

Comment for before performance 3. Name of event:

Comment for before performance 4. Name of event:

Comment for before performance 5. Name of event:



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## Appendix 4: CLCGB Music and Drill Competition Entrance Form

Company/Band Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Bandmaster/CO Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bandmaster/CO e-mail and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Competitions to be entered (please tick or put a number of competing groups (if applicable) in the boxes next to the competition of interest):

Y-team Drill		JTC Drill	
Senior Corp Drill		Ensemble (under 18)	
Ensemble (over 18)		Marching Band Competition	
Solo Competition		Static Band Competition	

Please record below the names of all participating band/drill members and which competition they are entering. If more than one ensemble/competition please refer to them as, for example, ensemble 1, ensemble 2 etc. This will allow us to plan arena time accordingly. If a member is entering more than one competition please put all of them in the corresponding box. Please continue on another sheet if necessary.

Name	Instrument (if applicable)	Age	Competition entered



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Name	Instrument (if applicable)	Age	Competition entered

Entry costs: £40 for Marching Band Competition entry. £5 for ensembles, drill corps, ensembles and static performances. The maximum charge for one company is £40. There is no charge for soloists.

This form is consent for any photographs and videos of members and leaders to be posted on social media and used for future literature for both the competition and the CLCGB. If there is any issue with this it must be raised with the organisers as soon as possible.

Entries can be altered up until 2 weeks before the event. Please try to avoid withdrawing entries on the day of the competition as this affects the overall running time of the day. Entries can be added with consent from the event organisers up until the day of the event.

Spectator tickets will be on sale on the day. Band members and helpers will be issued separate tickets.

Please refer to the CLCGB website for details nearer to the time of the competition.

Submit this form as soon as possible to Martyn Bedder or Robbie O’Brien on the below e-mail. In case of problems and/or questions please contact:

Martyn Bedder – [martynbedder@clcgb.org.uk](mailto:martynbedder@clcgb.org.uk)

Robbie O’Brien – [Robbieob107@aol.com](mailto:Robbieob107@aol.com)





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## **Appendix 5: Marking Sheets for the Competition**

The following pages contain the marking assessment sheets for the Drill Competition and Inspection Competitions. Some aspects may be judged by more than one judge and an average of the two scores taken forward.

# CLCGB Music and Drill Competition



## Drill Competition

Name of Company

Name of Judge

Signature

Category

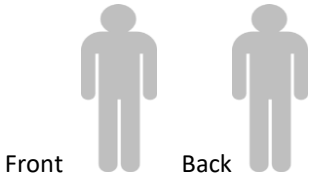
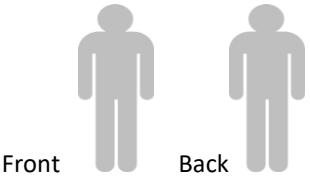
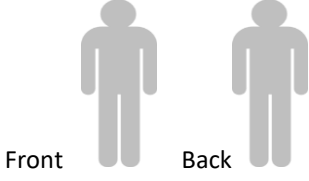
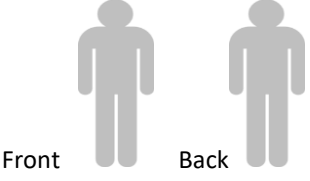
Y-Team

JTC

Senior Corp


Subject	Comment	Max	Attained
Mandatory Commands	Commands at the Halt	10	
	Turns	10	
	Marching	10	
	Free Movement	10	
Execution		20	
Uniformity and Synchronicity		20	
Oral Commands		20	
General Comments		<b>Max</b>	<b>Total</b>
		<b>100</b>	
General Comments on Drill Instructor		NB Instructor is not marked.	

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<b>Drill Squad Inspection Competition</b>																					
Insert appropriate letter in position of fault on figure.  Subtract 1/2 point for each fault out of 10 for each band member.  F – Fluff D - Dirt C – Crease U – Untidy T - Loose Thread B - Button R - Rip or Tear P - Personal Discipline I - Incorrect Uniform Placement	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Name of Company</td> <td colspan="3"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Name of Judge</td> <td colspan="3"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Signature</td> <td colspan="3"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Section</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Seniors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">JTC</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Y-Team</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Formal</td> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">Informal</td> </tr> </table>	Name of Company				Name of Judge				Signature				Section	Seniors	JTC	Y-Team	Category	Formal	Informal	
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<b>Total Mark /40</b>																					



## CLCGB Music and Drill Competition

	<b>Time Keeping</b>		
	Name of Band/Squad		
	Competition entered		
	Time allowed		
	Name of Judge		
	Signature		
Prep Time (if applicable)		Performance Time	
		Penalty Points	

Time Allowed for each competition:

Drill – 2-4 Minutes (excluding oral command section)

Marching Band – 6-13 Minutes, 3 minutes warm-up

Static Band – 2-6 Minutes, 4 Minutes prep

Ensembles – 4 Minutes max, 4 Minutes prep

Any band/squad over running or under running the allotted time will incur penalty points at the rate of: 1 point per 5 seconds up to 30 seconds; 1 point per second thereafter. Not completing the minimum time restraints will also incur the same time penalties. Over running prep time incurs the same penalties.