***FORMAL FLAG CEREMONY -- OPENING COLORS

(US flag will go to podium right/audience left)

Color Guard, Attention! (**when commanding the color guard, say the word "attention" in an authoritative way... like, "Aaa-tennnn-TION!!!!" – this will also help the audience realize that the flag ceremony is starting**)

Troop Attention! (For Awards Ceremony: Audience, Please rise)

Color Guard, Forward March! (>>wait for color guard to reach the front<<)

Color Guard, Halt! (>>wait for flag bearers to move to the flag pole stands<<)

Color Guard, Post the Colors!

Color Guard, Honor your Colors! (**Flag bearers salute the US flag**)

Trailmen Salute! Those not in uniform, please place your right hand over your heart.

Please recite the Pledge of Allegiance...

TWO! (**Everyone drops salute**)

Please recite the trailman oath...

Please recite the trailman motto...

Color Guard, Return to ranks!

Trailmen, at Ease! (For Awards Ceremony: Audience, Please be seated.)

Will the Chaplain, Please Come Forward.

***FORMAL FLAG CEREMONY -- CLOSING COLORS

Color Guard, Attention!

Troop Attention! (For Awards Ceremony: Audience, Please rise)

Color Guard, Forward March! (>>wait for color guard to reach the front<<)

Color Guard, Halt!

Trialmen Salute!

Color Guard, Retrieve the Colors! (>>wait for flag bearers to pick up their flags<<)

Color Guard, Return to Ranks! (>>wait until color guard reaches back of room<<)

Color Guard, Halt!

TWO!

(For Awards Ceremony: Audience, Thank you for joining us.)

Color Guard, Dismissed!

Will the Chaplain, Please Come Forward and close us in prayer.