



# The Somerset Sword of Chivalry

## Presentation

1. Knights of the visiting delegation to be seated in the Southeast.
2. Under the direction of the Provincial/Preceptory Marshal, assisted by the Deputy Marshal, the visiting delegation forms an Escort in the South, facing North with the Eminent Preceptor at the rear of the Escort.
3. The visiting delegation, under the direction of the Provincial/Preceptory Marshal, salute the Eminent Preceptor, retire from the Preceptory to acquire the Sword of Chivalry then re-enter in due form.
4. Guard to give the usual \*\*\*\*\* \*\*
5. **Captain of Guards:** Bro. 2<sup>nd</sup> Constable there is a report.
  - a) **2<sup>nd</sup> Constable:** See who seeks admission.
  - b) **Capt. of Guards:** Opens door: Who comes?
  - c) **Guard:** A delegation from.....Preceptory No. ... bearing the Somerset Sword of Chivalry which they wish to present.
  - d) **Capt. of Guards:** Wait while I report to the Eminent Preceptor. **Closes door and reports:** Eminent Preceptor, A delegation from.....Preceptory No.....bearing the Somerset Sword of Chivalry which they wish to present.
  - e) **Eminent Preceptor:** I shall be delighted to receive them.
6. The Provincial/Preceptory Marshal calls the Knights to Order and under his direction an Arch of Steel is formed in the West. The visiting Eminent Preceptor proceeds to the East after which the delegation of visiting Knights turn, march to the East and give the sign of a Crusader. The Eminent Preceptor then presents the Sword (as per Great Priory Ritual (2007) page 54) during which he recites the presentation address. At the conclusion of the presentation the delegation again give the sign of a Crusader.
7. **The Eminent Preceptor, having received the Sword, suitable thanks the visiting delegation, in particular their Eminent Preceptor, and pledges to fulfil his obligation to present the Sword to ..... Preceptory No.... on the ..... 202\_.**
8. Under the direction of the Provincial/Preceptory Marshal the visiting delegation resume their places in the Southeast.

**NOTE: The Provincial/Preceptory Deputy Marshal must ensure the Sword case is conveniently placed in the Temple prior to the actual presentation.**

