

INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

GRAND ASSEMBLY OF TEXAS

TEXAS DRESS CODE – MEMBERS

PURPOSE:

This Dress Code applies to all active members attending all Texas IORG events, including representing our Order in any activity, project, or event in any manner. Attire should always be tasteful and appropriate, reflecting the values and lessons we seek to teach and demonstrate.

GENERAL APPEARANCE:

- Good hygiene is essential in achieving a neat, clean, and acceptable appearance.
- Proper skin color undergarments must always be worn and not be visible.
- Clogs, athletic shoes, and flip flops are not considered “dress shoes.” Avoid very high heels.
- Facial piercings cannot be worn at any IORG function.
- No more than two pairs of earring piercings may be worn.
- No strapless garments may be worn.
- Make-up should be tasteful; not garish, heavy, or theatrical.
- Hair should be “natural” in color.
- Members should arrive dressed appropriately for the meeting/event and leave the same way.

BUSINESS MEETINGS, OTHER FRATERNAL MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Dress, Skirt with shirt or blouse (of any color) OR the Texas Uniform (official polo shirt and black skirt) are appropriate for a business meeting. The length of the skirt or dress should be no higher than two inches above the knee. Dress shoes should be worn. Black flats are encouraged for the Texas Uniform. Wear proper undergarments as noted in the “General Appearance” section above.

Note: Attire that is not appropriate: Jeans, tight pants, coveralls/overalls, shorts, skorts, miniskirts, capris, tube tops, halter-tops, or clothing with lycra/stretch/body hugging qualities.

FORMAL MEETINGS - IORG INITIATIONS, INSTALLATIONS, HONOR MEETINGS AND RECEPTIONS - INCLUDING EASTERN STAR AND MASONIC FUNCTIONS

Formal dress, floor length in white or soft pastel colors. Your choice must be considered tasteful and appropriate. Halter top formals are acceptable; however, the back of the dress must not fall below the natural bra line. A slit in the skirt must not extend above the knee. Dress shoes must be worn.

Candidates for Initiation: A church-like dress is appropriate and must measure no higher than two inches above the knee. Dress shoes must be worn.

OTHER EVENTS - SERVICE PROJECTS, PRACTICES, SOCIALS, PUBLIC RELATION EVENTS, FUND RAISING, TRAVELING, ETC. – INCLUDES DEMOLAY CASUAL ACTIVITIES

Skorts, pants, jeans, or shorts (must have a minimum of 7" inseam) may be worn when appropriate for the activity. Pants, jeans, or shorts must be worn at the waistline, have no holes, have a hem, and must be in good taste and appropriate. Spandex pants may be worn with a shirt long enough to cover the bottom. Shirts must contain no print that is offensive or controversial. Matching Assembly shirts or Texas Uniform are encouraged. Shirts must be long enough to cover the midriff. Shoes that are appropriate to the activity should be worn (Exception: Bare feet at pool or beach).

DeMolay and other Fraternal Socials: All colors are acceptable, including 100% black, styles including spaghetti-straps, one shoulder and halter tops are acceptable. Remember that you represent our Order 24/7 when selecting your attire for the occasion.

Note: Attire that is not appropriate: Short shorts, tight jeans, tattered or torn items, miniskirts and tube tops.

TEXAS GRAND ASSEMBLY SESSIONS:

Attire appropriate to a Business Meeting, practices, and social events is appropriate for Grand Assembly daytime sessions. A dress or skirt with a shirt or blouse should be worn. The Texas Uniform is encouraged. Hosiery is optional.

Rainbow casual attire is appropriate for any late-night practices in the Grand Assembly Room (prior to the start of the Grand Assembly Session).

Formals as specified in the "Formal Meeting" section of this Dress Code are appropriate when attending: General Banquet, Friday Night Opening, Saturday Night Initiation and Sunday Installation.

If needed, a nice sweater is acceptable, however, NO blankets are allowed during Grand Assembly meetings.

Memorial Service: Members participating in the Memorial Service should wear floor length white formals.

Grand Cross Luncheon, Vows and Ceremony:

Members participating in these programs should wear floor length white formals.

Members attending these two programs should wear white or pastel dresses – length should be no more than two inches above the knee.

SWIMMING ATTIRE:

Swim wear may be one-piece or two-piece tankini that is in good taste and not revealing.

In hotels and other facilities: Wear a cover-up and appropriate shoes when traveling to and from the pool.

TRAVELING IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS:

When visiting other Grand Jurisdictions, follow the Texas Dress Code including traveling attire. Always observe the Dress Code of any Jurisdiction when visiting and confirm this with their Supreme Officer.

TEXAS DRESS CODE:

When questions about this TEXAS DRESS CODE arise, please direct them to the Mother Advisor or Grand Deputy. In fairness to all, Texas Assemblies will not adopt clothing guidelines or dress codes other than those stated in this document.

NOTE TO MOTHER ADVISORS:

Mother Advisors should wear a white or pastel formal for Initiations and Installations. A Texas polo shirt or blouse with black skirt is suggested for business meetings and other events when representing her station as an adult leader of IORG.