



REGULATIONS FOR TYNWALD

5th JULY, 1950.

THE TYNWALD to be held at St. John's on July 5th will be the occasion for Promulgating the Acts passed during the last Session, and for transacting other business.

At 11 a.m., His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor will arrive and after he has inspected the Royal Air Force Guard of Honour drawn up in the road opposite the Church gate he will place a wreath on the National War Memorial. Detachments from the British Legion, 515 (I.o.M) L.A.A. Regiment, R.A., T.A., Women's Royal Army Corps, T.A., Sea Cadet Corps, Combined Cadet Forces, Army Cadet Regiment, Air Training Corps and Boy Scouts will be in attendance.

The general arrangements in connection with the Tynwald Ceremony will be as follows:—

1. A service will be held in the Church at 11-15 a.m. Those taking part in the Ceremony will have the use of rooms in the Church Room, adjoining the Church, for robing purposes. Those numbered (1), (6) and (12) to (31) inclusive in paragraph 9 below will go in procession from the Church Room to their seats in the Church. Those numbered (2) to (5) and (7) to (11) inclusive in paragraph 9 will take their seats in the Church prior to the commencement of the Service.
2. The Officiating Minister will attend in canonicals. The rest of the Clergy, without exception, will attend in Convocation robes (cap, gown and hood).
3. Detachments from the 515 (I.o.M.) L.A.A. Regiment, R.A., T.A., Women's Royal Army Corps, T.A., Sea Cadet Corps, Combined Cadet Forces, Army Cadet Regiment, Air Training Corps, British Legion, and the Isle of Man Boy Scouts Association will line the pathway between Tynwald Hill and the Church.
4. The public will not be permitted to proceed within the lines formed by the above contingents.
5. Those taking part in the ceremony will occupy the places in the Church allotted to them.
6. Places for friends will be reserved in the Church for members of the Council and Keys and higher officials. Tickets will be numbered and coloured blue. The numbers on the tickets will correspond with the numbers on the pews.
7. There will be limited accommodation in the Church for members of the public, and tickets, issued by the Government Secretary, will be numbered and coloured white. The numbers on the tickets will correspond with the numbers on the pews.

8. Ticket holders should be in their places in the Church not later than 11 a.m.

9. On the conclusion of the Service, a procession to Tynwald Hill will be formed in the following order:—

- (1) Four Sergeants of the Isle of Man Constabulary.
- (2) The Coroners.
- (3) The Captains of the Parishes.
- (4) Two Ministers of the Free Churches.
- (5) The Beneficed Clergy.
- (6) The Officiating Minister.
- (7) The Chairman of the Isle of Man Education Authority.
- (8) The Chairman of the Peel Town Commissioners.
- (9) The Chairman of the Ramsey Town Commissioners.
- (10) The Chairman of the Castletown Town Commissioners.
- (11) The Mayor of Douglas.
- (12) The Vicar-General.
- (13) The Archdeacon.
- (14) The High-Bailiff.
- (15) The Chaplain of the House of Keys.
- (16) The Secretary of the House of Keys.
- (17) The Members of the House of Keys.
- (18) The Speaker of the House of Keys.
- (19) The two Messengers of the House of Keys.
- (20) The Government Secretary.
- (21) The Members of the Legislative Council.
- (22) The Attorney-General.
- (23) The Second Deemster.
- (24) The First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls.
- (25) The Lord Bishop.
- (26) The Sword of State.
- (27) His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.
- (28) The Officers in personal attendance on His Excellency.
- (29) The Chief Constable.
- (30) The Surgeon to the Houshold.
- (31) A detachment of the Isle of Man Constabulary.

Before the Procession reaches the War memorial, it will halt and take up an alignment on either side of the path, facing inwards, so as to enable His Excellency to pass through and be the first to step on to the Hill. The procession will re-form behind His Excellency in reverse order to that in which it left the Church. On the approach of His Excellency, troops will "present arms."

All persons in possession of tickets for the Church will be provided with accommodation in an enclosure at Tynwald Hill. They should not leave their seats in the Church until the Procession has left the building, when they will be asked to leave pew by pew, commencing from the front.

10. On Tynwald Hill only His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the members of the Legislative Council, the Government Secretary, the Sword Bearer and the officers in personal attendance on His Excellency will occupy the top: The Speaker, Members, and Secretary of the House of Keys, together with their Chaplain, will be accommodated on the next step; while the High-Bailiff, the Vicar-General, the Mayor of Douglas, the Chairmen of the Castletown, Peel and Ramsey Town Commissioners, the Chairman of the Isle of Man Education Authority, the Clergy (including the Officiating Minister), and the Free Church Ministers will occupy the step below.

The Captains of the Parishes will occupy the lowest step and they will stand on either side of the approach.

The Coroners will stand at the foot of the Hill.

11. When His Excellency is seated on the Hill, the various officials have taken up their positions, and those persons with official tickets have taken up their places in the Enclosures, there will be given a Royal Salute and the Band will play the National Anthem and the Manx National Anthem, everybody standing.

(1) His Excellency will resume his seat on the Hill and will say :—

"LEARNED DEEMSTER, DIRECT THE COURT TO BE FENCED."

(2) The First Deemster will then say :—

"CORONER OF GLENFABA SHEADING, FENCE THE COURT."

(3) The Coroner of Glenfaba Sheading will fence the Court with the following form of words :—

"I FENCE THIS COURT OF TYNWALD IN THE NAME OF OUR MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN LORD THE KING. I CHARGE THAT NO PERSON DO QUARREL, BRAWL OR MAKE ANY DISTURBANCE AND ANSWER THEIR NAMES WHEN CALLED. I CHARGE THIS AUDIENCE TO WITNESS THIS COURT IS FENCED. I CHARGE THIS AUDIENCE TO WITNESS THIS COURT IS FENCED. I CHARGE THIS WHOLE AUDIENCE TO BEAR WITNESS THIS COURT IS NOW FENCED."

(4) The First Deemster will then say :—

"OUT-GOING CORONERS SURRENDER YOUR STAVES OF OFFICE TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR."

(5) The Coroners will ascend the Hill in the following order :—

Glenfaba,
Michael,
Ayre,
Garfi,
Middle,
Rushen,

hand in their staves of office and return to their places.

(6) The First Deemster will then say :—

“IN-COMING CORONERS, TAKE THE OATH IN ANCIENT FORM TO EXECUTE YOUR OFFICES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR, AND RECEIVE YOUR STAVES OF OFFICE FROM THE HANDS OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.”

(7) The Coroners-elect of Glenfaba, Michael, and Ayre will then proceed up the Hill together, kneel before His Excellency and take the following oath to be administered by the First Deemster :—

“BY THAT BOOK AND BY THE HOLY CONTENTS THEREOF AND BY THE WONDERFUL WORKS THAT GOD HATH MIRACULOUSLY WROUGHT IN HEAVEN ABOVE AND IN THE EARTH BENEATH IN SIX DAYS AND SEVEN NIGHTS, YOU SHALL WITHOUT RESPECT OF FAVOUR OR FRIENDSHIP, LOVE OR GAIN, CONSANQUINITY OR AFFINITY, ENVY OR MALICE, WELL AND TRULY EXECUTE THE OFFICE OF CORONER OF THE RESPECTIVE SHEADINGS OF GLENFABA, MICHAEL AND AYRE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR. SO HELP YOU GOD.”

These Coroners, on bended knee, will receive their staves of office from His Excellency and then return to their places at the foot of the Hill.

(8) The Coroners-elect of Garff, Middle and Rushen will then proceed up the Hill together and take the oath and receive their staves as in (7).

(9) His Excellency will then say :—

“LEARNED DEEMSTER AND REVEREND LHAIHDER, I EXHORT YOU TO PROCLAIM TO THE PEOPLE IN ANCIENT FORM, SUCH LAWS AS HAVE BEEN ENACTED DURING THE PAST YEAR, AND WHICH HAVE RECEIVED HIS GRACIOUS MAJESTY'S ROYAL ASSENT.”

(10) After the Laws have been read, the First Deemster will say :—

“FREEMEN OF MANN, IN YOUR ANCIENT TYNWALD ASSEMBLED I CALL UPON YOU, AS AN EXPRESSION OF YOUR LOYALTY, TO GIVE THREE CHEERS FOR HIS MAJESTY THE KING.”

(11) The First Deemster will then say :—

“HAS YOUR EXCELLENCY ANY FURTHER COMMANDS?”

(12) His Excellency, in the event of his having no further commands to give, will say :—

“THE TYNWALD WILL ADJOURN TO THE CHURCH AND COMPLETE SUCH BUSINESS AS REMAINS TO BE TRANSACTED.”

12. After the business on the Hill has been transacted, the Procession will leave the Hill in the same order, and with the same procedure in which it left the Church. On clearing the detachments, it will halt and align itself on either side of the path as before, to enable His Excellency to enter the Church first.

13. On the conclusion of the whole Ceremony, persons in the nave should remain seated until those taking part in the Ceremony have left the Church.

14. The Chief Constable will detail two Police Officers to act as Marshals to ensure that the foregoing regulations are strictly observed.

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13th June, 1950.

J. N. PANES,
Government Secretary.