

Fact Sheet – Overview of Parade and Ceremony (P&C)

P&C Concept

1. The P&C segment in this year's National Day Parade (NDP) aims to evoke pride and confidence among Singaporeans through a sharp and dignified parade comprising uniformed and civilian contingents from all walks of life, coming together as *#OneNationTogether* in a display of strength, commitment and will. The P&C segment, exhibiting the precision and discipline of a military-style parade, will also feature a special tribute to 50 years of National Service (NS50).
2. Singaporeans can look forward to traditional celebratory elements such as a military tattoo performance, the 21-Gun Presidential Gun Salute on the M3G military raft, the Feu-de-Joie, as well as the State Flag Flypast flown by a Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF)'s Chinook helicopter escorted by two AH-64D Apache helicopters, and the Salute to the Nation performed by the five RSAF F-15SG fighter aircraft. The parade will be brought up close to the spectators with the Guard of Honour (GOH) contingents forming up on the extended promenade right in front of the spectator gallery.

P&C Highlights

3. This year, the P&C segment will include the following three highlights:
 - a. Tribute to NS50. The parade will feature a special tribute to NS50 to recognise the efforts and contributions of NSmen and the support provided by their families and employers. It includes an NS50 tribute video, a dynamic transformation by the Youth Uniformed Group contingents to form the words "NS50", and a Salute from the Nation where the marching contingents will salute our national servicemen, their families and employers, with spectators at the parade invited to stand to join in the salute in unison. Commanding the parade this year is also an Operationally-Ready National Serviceman (NSman), Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) (NS) Lim Wee Tee.
 - b. Republic of Singapore Air Force Aerial Salute. Singaporeans can also look forward to an aerial salute as part of the P&C segment, which will feature a bomb burst manoeuvre performed by five Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) F-15SG fighter aircraft. This is the first time the bomb burst will be executed by an all-F-15SG line-up. Also for the first time, the aerial salute will feature two NSmen pilots flying the F-15SG fighter aircraft.

c. Military Tattoo. Another highlight for the P&C segment this year is the dynamic military tattoo involving about 170 performers – the largest military tattoo performance in NDP history. The military tattoo, comprising the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) Band, SAF Silent Precision Drill Squad (SPDS), Singapore Police Force (SPF) Band, SPF Women Police Pipes & Drums (WPPD), Singapore National Cadet Corps (SNCC) Command Band, and National Police Cadets Corps (NPCC) Band, will open the P&C segment and perform a medley of NDP favourites. The military tattoo will also form six fun and dynamic transformations – (i) the hashtag sign; (ii) the outline of Singapore; (iii) the Merlion; (iv) the Singapore city skyline; (v) the NDP17 logo; and (vi) the words “NDP 2017” – representing our multiracial diversity, unity, and love for our country. This is the WPPD’s first ever participation in an NDP military tattoo performance.

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