

Right (Left) Step, MARCH & Flight, HALT

Description below is for Right Step, MARCH

- ★ Given only from a halt and for short distances.
- ★ On MARCH, the cadet raises the right leg from the hip just high enough to clear the ground. The leg will be kept straight, but not stiff, throughout the movement.
- ★ The cadet places the right foot 12 inches, as measured from the inside of the heels, to the right of the other (left) foot.
- ★ Transfer the weight of the body to the right foot, then bring the left foot (without scraping the ground) smartly to a position alongside the right foot as in the position of attention.
- ★ This movement is continued in quick time; the upper portion of the body remains at attention and hands remain pinned (as at attention) throughout.

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Flight, HALT (from Left & Right Step)

★ To halt from the right step, the preparatory command and command of execution are given as the heels come together.

COUNT ONE

★ On HALT, one more step is taken with the right foot . . .

COUNT TWO

★ . . . and the left foot is placed smartly alongside the right foot as in the position of attention.

TEACHING TIP: Watch that cadets don't speed up. Also watch that they march in a straight line sideways - they may tend to come forward or move backward.



Open Ranks, MARCH & Ready, FRONT

- ★ Is given only if the formation is in line at normal interval (see page 11).
- ★ On the command MARCH, the fourth rank stands fast and automatically executes dress right dress at normal interval.
- ★ Each succeeding rank in front of the fourth rank takes the required numbered of paces, stepping off with the left foot and a coordinated armswing, halts, and automatically executes dress right dress:
 - The third rank takes one pace forward
 - The second rank takes two paces forward
 - The first rank takes three paces forward.
- ★ Once halted, the distance between ranks will be about 70 inches.
- ★ The flight commander proceeds and aligns the flight.

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Ready, FRONT

- ★ Once the flight is aligned, the flight commander commands Ready, FRONT.
- ★ If the flight is to be inspected, the flight commander takes one step forward and faces to the right in a position in front of the guide (see page 15).



OPEN RANKS, MARCH

Close Ranks, MARCH

- ★ To close ranks when at open ranks, the command is Close Ranks, MARCH.
- ★ On MARCH, the first rank stands fast.
- ★ The second rank takes one pace forward with coordinated arm swing and halts at the position of attention.
- ★ The third and fourth ranks take two and three paces forward, respectively, and halt at attention.

