

The Eleven General Orders of the Watch

- 1. To take charge of this post and all government property in view.**
- 2. To walk my post in a military manner, keeping always on the alert and observing everything that takes place within sight or hearing.**
- 3. To report all violations of orders I am instructed to enforce.**
- 4. To repeat all calls from posts more distant from the guardhouse than my own.**
- 5. To quit my post only when properly relieved.**
- 6. To receive, obey, and pass on to the sentry who relieves me all orders from the commanding officer, command duty officer, officer of the deck, and officers and petty officers of the watch.**
- 7. To talk to no one except in the line of duty.**
- 8. To give the alarm in case of fire or disorder.**
- 9. To call the officer of the deck in any case not covered by instruction.**
- 10. To salute all officers, and all colors and standards not cased.**
- 11. To be especially watchful at night, and during the time for challenging, to challenge all persons on or near my post, and to allow no one to pass without proper authority.**