



Protocol Guidelines

The Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc. reserves the right to edit any and all protocol. It further reserves the right to refuse acceptance of protocol and or presentation of any group, organization or individual if it is deemed that it will be a detriment or insult to the Imperial Court of San Francisco.

The Imperial Court of San Francisco observes the “*one title, one walk*” rule. In addition, we suggest that the individual walk with their highest title, and with the court that bestowed such title.

Any crown or medallion or symbol that denotes the office of Emperor or Empress of San Francisco cannot be worn by anyone else, regardless of the relationship, during the reign. Also, any emblems of office or of state, crowns, laurel leaves, rings or sashes cannot be worn by any un-elected individual during or after the reign of the Emperor or Empress

All female reigning titleholders including Monarchs who wish to be presented at official state events, Coronation events both in and out of town, etc. must appear in female attire and clean shaven at any of these events while representing the Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc.

For all non-reigning or non-current female titleholders that wish to attend an event and be presented while not in female attire or clean shaven, may at the discretion of the reigning court, be given a male title and walk in that court without the use of the Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc. bestowed female title.

All male reigning titleholders, including Monarchs who wish to be presented at official state events, Coronation events both in and out of town, etc. must appear in male attire while representing the Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc.

For all non-reigning or non-current male titleholders that wish to attend an event and be presented dressed in female attire, may at the discretion of the reigning court, be given a female title and walk in that court without the use of the Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc. bestowed male title.

Reigning Monarchs may only use the moniker that is approved by the Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc. Board of Directors. Monikers may only be used during the reign, once the Monarchs receive their permanent number and ring, monikers will no longer be used, and they will only use Emperor After Norton or Absolute Empress with their respected given numbers.

All permanent members of the Imperial Council of San Francisco, Inc. will note:

*No greetings, regrets, congratulations or salutations from any individual;

*No house appendages to imperial or royal titles, only one last name is allowed with no hyphenations;

*No multiple walk entries for presentation purposes. This includes in-town and out-of-town individuals who may belong to multiple groups, charitable, fraternal, social, and sexual or court organizations.

*No lengthy introductions before title, i.e., keeper of the Emperor’s boyfriends, play tools, Citizen of, etc.

Format should follow:

Salutation – His/Her Imperial Highness/ Majesty

Imperial Council Permanent Title

Name of titleholder

*Violation of above rules may result in individual’s name being removed from all protocol introductions.