



## COMMON MISTAKES *Saluting I*



### **SALUTING**

**Mistake**

**Improper saluting**

**Correct**



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*Salute only when in uniform and covered  
(indoors or outdoors)*



*Do not salute in public conveyances/places (e.g.,  
buses, theater) or when holding articles in both  
hands*



*Salute within 6, but no more than 30, steps from a  
higher-ranking officer*

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## POLICY REVIEW *Saluting I*

### SALUTING IQ TEST

Test your knowledge of the Corps' saluting policy.

1. You are in your car, approaching the Quantico Naval Base gate. You are wearing your Service Khaki uniform, but the cover is inside your bag. The guard (MA3) examines your CAC, says "Welcome Aboard Sir!" and renders a salute. How should you respond?
  - a. Acknowledge the salute by saying "Thank You MA3 [Last Name]."
  - b. Salute back and offer the greeting of the day.
  - c. Say "Oorah!"
2. You are approaching the NSA-Bethesda gate. The guard is armed with a rifle. Which is true?
  - a. Expect a hand salute.
  - b. Expect no salute (salute is only rendered with a sidearm or pistol).
  - c. Expect a rifle salute (Present, At Order, or At Right Shoulder Arms), or a hand salute if at sling arms.
3. When would you salute uncovered?
  - a. Never.
  - b. When reporting to a senior officer indoors.
  - c. When not saluting would cause embarrassment or misunderstanding (Army and Air Force personnel may salute uncovered in some situations).

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