

Tier	Dress Code	Intent	Gentlemen	Ladies	Remarks
1	<b>Formal</b>				
	<b>Formal Zone:</b> Long Bar, Coffee Room (except for breakfast), Canning Room during weekdays, Inner Hall Seating during weekdays. <i>(Weekdays: Monday 1100 to Friday 1730)</i>	Smart, traditional attire appropriate to an elegant yet convivial London Club setting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lounge Suit or</li> <li>Sports Jacket/Blazer with tailored trousers.</li> <li>A collared shirt and tie are to be worn.</li> <li>Military personnel may wear Full Ceremonial Day Dress, Ceremonial Day Dress or Non-Ceremonial Day Dress.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Smart separates, elegant dresses or formal business attire.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gentlemen may remove Jackets during the summer months if 'Planters Rig' is authorised, in which case appropriate signs will be displayed at both receptions. The intention is that, in future, formal zone rooms will be air-conditioned thus removing the need for an option to authorize 'Planters Rig'. Military personnel should not wear Barrack Dress, Working Dress or Training Dress.</li> </ul>
2	<b>Club Casual</b>				
	<b>Club Casual Zone:</b> Cowdray Brasserie, Marquee, Courtyard and Brasserie Terrace, Cigar Lounge, Poop Deck, Library, Business Areas, Coffee Room for breakfast only, Canning Room at weekends, Inner Hall Seating at weekends <i>(Weekends: 1730 Friday to Monday 1100)</i>	More relaxed and comfortable attire yet still 'well turned out' and presentable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tailored trousers, chinos, corduroys, moleskins or smart jeans (including denim) acceptable.</li> <li>Tailored, collared shirts (long or short-sleeved) or smart polo shirts to be worn, tucked in.</li> <li>Pullovers/sweaters may be worn with a shirt.</li> <li>Smart, casual shoes acceptable.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ladies should dress to an equivalent standard.</li> <li>Smart denim wear is acceptable.</li> <li>Jeans and legwear are not to be torn or holed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jackets optional.</li> <li>Gentlemen are not required to wear ties.</li> <li>Military personnel may wear clean Barrack Dress, Working Dress or Training Dress.</li> <li>Dress styles widely regarded as Casual dress (as opposed to Smart Casual) are not acceptable. Attire should be clean and in good condition.</li> <li>You may use the St James's Square entrance for access to the Club</li> </ul>
3	<b>Sports Rig</b>				
	<b>Sports Rig Zone:</b> Access through Babmaes Reception only:  Fitness Centre, Squash Court, Bedroom corridors	Clothing appropriate to use in the Gym or Squash Court	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gym and spa appropriate clothing, including trainers, tracksuits, jogging attire and dressing gowns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gym and spa appropriate clothing, including trainers, tracksuits, jogging attire and dressing gowns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports rig may be worn in the Gym, the Squash Court or en-route to either from the Babmaes Street entrance or a bedroom.</li> <li>Sports rig may not be worn to cross the main courtyard or for exit/entrance via the St. James's Square entrance.</li> </ul>

Additional Dress Guidance. The following additional guidance should be adhered to:

**1. Outerwear.**

- a. Outerwear (overcoats, hats, scarves etc.) are not to be taken into public rooms and should be left in either a Cloakroom or a bedroom.

**2. Luggage.**

- a. Luggage, including hand luggage (apart from small handbags or 'man bags'), carrier bags and umbrellas must also be left in the cloakroom or a bedroom. Small items such as briefcases, laptop bags and small backpacks may be left at either reception for safe-keeping.
- b. Briefcases, work folders or business papers are not to be taken into public rooms except the Business Centre, the Library, the VAD Room, Meeting Rooms or rooms being used for specific meetings or conferences.

**3. Specific Functions.**

- a. For Club events, please adhere to the dress code for the event you are confirmed to attend. If unsure, please check your confirmation email or speak to the Events Team.

**4. Unacceptable Items/Styles.**

- a. The following items/styles are not to be worn in the Club:
  - Hats, caps and hoodies.
  - Ladies may not wear flimsy, transparent or very low-cut tops/shirts/blouses, except in an appropriate way with formal evening wear.
  - Gentlemen may not wear sweaters without a shirt.
  - Exposed midriffs.
  - Cargo/combat pants.
- b. The following, except when accessing the Gym or Squash Courts through the Babmaes Reception:
  - Flip-flops, casual sandals, sports trainers/sneakers, casual boots, hiking shoes/boots, wellington boots and 'Ugg'-style boots. Any shoes in a distressed condition.
  - Leisurewear, such as shorts (applies to men only), T-shirts, items with large logos and leggings (even leather) except under dresses.
  - For the avoidance of doubt a short pictorial guide to footwear that is not acceptable is [linked here](#)

**5. The final arbiter**

- a. The Club Secretary or, in his/her absence, a senior member of Club Staff will act as the arbiter in the event of a complaint being received about the standard of dress of any Member or guest in the Clubhouse. Should he or she determine that an individual's dress does not meet the standards required by the Club, they will be asked to change, leave the area concerned or, when appropriate, to leave the Club premises.