



**Grand of Texas
Military Order of the Cootie
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2023-2024 Series General Orders No. 10

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1. Shavetails and Cooties with Official information to be published with the General Orders must submit same to Grand Adjutant, Brian Smock, 803 N. 3d Street, Copperas Cove, Texas 76522 or bsmock@hot.rr.com no later than the 21st of the preceding month.
2. Please notify Grand Adjutant Brian Smock of all changes and/or corrections for the Grand Directory/roster and any discrepancies that may have been Published in the General Orders. Any questions about or corrections to the Grand Status Sheet should be addressed to the Grand Quartermaster Richard Kennedy richardcootie29@yahoo.com .
3. Requests for a Grand Shavetail to attend special functions must be submitted to the Grand Adjutant in sufficient time for early scheduling. All Pup Tents are required to register at least one delegate to the Supreme Scratch per section 531 of the Supreme By-Laws.
4. The Grand Commander will notify Pup Tents of planned Official visits. The Grand Commander's travel agenda won't be routinely published in the General Orders. A tentative schedule will be included with the General Orders.
5. All inspections reports shall be promptly submitted to the Grand Inspector, Anson Booker, 122 E. Iowa Dr., Harker Heights, TX 76548 (254) 371-2579 or email: anson.booker@outlook.com It is our goal to have all units inspected no later than mid-December. All inspections will be conducted by the Grand Inspector Anson Booker or Grand Commander Mitch Fuller. A blank inspection report can be downloaded at LOTCS.org Please have one available for the inspector and fill out as much information as you can prior to the inspectors visit.
6. All monies for Grand should be sent to the Grand Quartermaster. This includes PCT's, Grand 50/50 monies and Horny Toad Programs. The Grand Stat Sheet will be generated by the Grand QM, but he needs input from all Grand Program Chairmen. No input, no relevant stats.
7. Details of events scheduled by the VFW and Supreme organizations are published in their respective periodicals, and therefore won't be duplicated here. Some key dates will be published as a reminder:

MOC/MOCA Grand Convention
31 MAY 2024 – 2 JUN 2024
Copperas Cove, TX 76522
Comfort Inn and Suites

VFW 104th State Convention
Dallas, TX
June 6-8, 2024
Hilton Anatole Dallas
Address: 2201 N Stemmons Fwy
Dallas, TX 75207
Phone: (214) 748-1200

105th Supreme Scratch Hotel
Marriott East Hotel in Louisville
The hotel is located at 1903 Embassy Square Boulevard, Louisville, KY
40299. The phone number is: 502-491-1184.
The room rate is \$154.00 plus tax, the cutoff date for making reservations
is July 5, 2024.

8. **Grand Adjutant:** Please work on your election Warrants. Get this done and have your Hungry Cootie get the election Warrant to Brian Smock or Richard Kennedy preferably by May. **Also before electing or installing someone ensure their membership is current... Forms can be downloaded at LOTCS.ORG under Pup Tent Forms..**
9. **Commander's Corner:** "The Grand of Texas now has 10 Pup Tents. I was honored to institute PT 10 at VFW Post 1806 in Beaumont on Saturday, February 17. PT 10 chose their number due to their proximity to Interstate 10 and have asked for their PT name to be Mudbugs—this pending MOC Supreme HQ approval. I was joined at the institution ceremony, which also included initiating nine new Cooties and officer installation, by Grand Jr. Vice Commander Cedrick Shells, Past Grand Commanders Larry Dayhoff and Rosie Carranza, Grand Chaplain and Past Grand Commander Allan Perkins, and PT 11 Seam Squirrel Kendall Peterson. I'm grateful for their participation in the ceremonies. There is a good possibility that we may be adding another new PT in north Texas in Denton. There is a great interest there to start new fertile hunting grounds. The Grand of Texas is 89.64% in membership. Once the new Cooties in PT 10 are in the system, we should be around 95%. Keep recruiting new Cooties and ensuring current Cooties renew their membership and remember that Cooties are Comrades First. All PT inspections are completed—many thanks to Grand Sr. Vice Commander Anson Booker from competing most of these inspections. Thank you for all your efforts in Hospital Work. Keep up the lousy work of our beloved Military Order of the Cootie. L.O.T.C.S., Mitch Fuller, Grand Commander of Texas."
10. Pup tent 55, will scratch on March 24th instead of March 31st, This is a one-time change due to Easter Sunday.

11. All General Orders of the Grand Pup Tent are to be read and acted upon at all Pup Tent scratches. Following the reading, they are to be filed for future reference.

Official:
Brian Smock

Brian Smock
Grand Adjutant

By Order of:
Mitch Fuller

Mitch Fuller
Grand Commander