L.N. 160 of 1993

ĠIEH IR-REPUBBLIKA ACT
(CAP. 251)

Insignia (Office of Mayors) Rules, 1993

IN virtue of the powers conferred on him by section 26 of the *Ġieh ir-Repubblika* Act, and of all other powers him enabling, the President of Malta has, on the advice of the Prime Minister, made the following rules:—

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Title.

1. These Rules may be cited as the Insignia (Office of Mayors) Rules, 1993.

Interpretation.

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

Cap. 251.

"the Act" means the *Ġieh ir-Repubblika* Act;

"capital or former capitals" means the first three localities listed in the First Schedule to the Local Councils Act, 1993;

"cities" means the first eleven localities listed in the First Schedule to the Local Councils Act, 1993;

"coat-of-arms" means the coat-of-arms assigned to each locality in terms of section 74 of the Local Councils Act, 1993;

"locality" means an area within set boundaries as designated in the Second Schedule to the Local Councils Act, 1993;

"Mayor" means the Mayor of a Council elected in accordance with section 25 of the Local Councils Act, 1993;

"Secretary" means the person occupying the post of secretary of a Local Council in accordance with the Local Councils Act, 1993;

and expressions occurring also in the Act or in the Local Councils Act, 1993 have the same meaning as they have in the respective Acts.

INSIGNIA

Insignia.

3. The insignia of office for Mayors of Local Councils shall consist of medals as follows:—

(1) For Mayors of the capital or former capitals —

A Neck Badge in the form of an oval silver gilt wreath of oak-leaves bound at the top and bottom as well as in the middle of the two sides, measuring 57mm from top to bottom,

having superimposed on it the respective silver gilt and enamelled coat-of-arms and mural coronet of the capital or former capitals. The Neck Badge shall be suspended from an 18mm wide black riband having a moiré effect.

(2) For Mayors of the other cities —

A Neck Badge in the form of an oval silver gilt wreath of oak-leaves bound at the top and bottom as well as in the middle of the two sides, measuring 57mm from top to bottom, having superimposed on it the respective silver gilt and enamelled coat-of-arms and mural coronet of the city. The Neck Badge shall be suspended from an 18mm wide black riband having a moiré effect.

(3) For Mayors of the other localities —

A Neck Badge in the form of an oval silver gilt wreath of oak-leaves bound at the top and bottom as well as in the middle of the two sides, measuring 57mm from top to bottom, having superimposed on it the respective silver gilt and enamelled coat-of-arms of the locality. The Neck Badge shall be suspended from an 18mm wide red riband having a moiré effect.

WEARING OF INSIGNIA

Wearing of insignia.

4. (1) The Neck Badge of a Mayor shall be worn suspended from the riband around the neck:

Provided that where the Mayor of a locality is a lady, the Neck Badge may be worn on the left side of her clothing with the riband fashioned into a bow with tails.

(2) Neck Badges shall be worn whenever appropriate but only within the locality of the respective Mayor:

Provided that such Neck Badge may be worn in other localities whenever an invitation to that effect has been issued by the Mayor of such other locality or localities:

Provided further that such Neck Badge may also be worn at State or National occasions where such insignia is prescribed:

Provided further that such Neck Badge may also be worn in other countries whenever an invitation to that effect has been issued by the Mayor of the city, town or village where such function is to be held.

Lapel badges.

5. On appropriate occasions lapel badges denoting the insignia may be worn as follows —

(1) Mayors of the capital or former capitals: a silver gilt mural coronet, similar to that on the coat-of-arms, on a rosette 10mm in diameter, made of black fabric;

(2) Mayors of the other cities: a silver gilt mural coronet, similar to that on the coat-of-arms, on a rosette 10mm in diameter, made of black fabric;

(3) Mayors of the other localities: a silver gilt shield on a rosette 10mm in diameter, made of red fabric.

PROTECTION OF INSIGNIA

Property of insignia.

6. (1) The insignia shall remain the property of the respective Local Council and shall, for the duration of the term of office, be entrusted to the care of the Mayor.

(2) On the expiration of the term of office the Secretary shall be responsible for making the necessary arrangements for such insignia to be returned by the Mayor.

Insignia, etc. to be worn by authorized persons.

7. The insignia of office of a Mayor, as well as the lapel badges denoting such insignia, may only be worn by persons holding the office of Mayor, and such Mayor may only wear the appropriate insignia established by these Rules.

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