Wearing of Baronets' Badges

A recent letter to our Chairman from the Secretary of the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood provides clarification as to the correct procedure concerning the wearing of a Baronets' Badge with civilian dress.

The correct wearing of a Baronets' Badge with civilian dress may be summarised as follows:

- The Badge takes precedence over all Orders worn around the neck with the exception of the Order of Merit.
- The Badge should be suspended around the neck from a miniature width ribbon (16mm) The wider width ribbon (45mm) is never used except for a new Investiture.
- It may be worn with White tie, Black tie, Morning Coat, Lounge Suit & an Overcoat.
- For White tie (Full Evening Dress) the Badge is suspended from the miniature 16mm width ribbon, fastened at the back with a hook and eye. The ribbon should fit neatly around the lower edge of the collar of the shirt (emerging at either side from under the neck band of the white tie) and below the collar "wings" and the tie, so that the Badge hangs centrally with the top of the Badge's suspension ring no more than 25mm below the knot of the tie.
- For Black tie (Dinner Jacket) the Badge is suspended on a miniature 16mm width ribbon. With an upright "wing" collar the ribbon fits around the outside of the collar, and with a soft downturned collar it is worn underneath the collar. It is fastened at the back with a hook and eye. The top of the Badge's suspension ring should be no more than 25mm below the knot of the tie.
- For Morning Coat, Lounge Suit & an Overcoat it is worn in the same way as for Black tie.

Spink & Son Ltd have in stock the 16 mm miniature ribbon at £25.00 each plus VAT. These ribbons have a number of eyes to allow adjustment for different neck sizes as well as to allow the Badge to hang at the correct position below a White & Black tie and the additional length needed for an ordinary tie worn with a Morning Coat, Lounge Suit & an Overcoat. Spink & Son Ltd can be contacted as follows:

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