

## By Company Into Line

Reference Hardee's 1862, Title 3, Paragraph 153

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The men are marching by the right flank. That means in a column of 4's with the 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt at the front of the company (also known as "right in front").

The commander will form a column of companies.

**By Companies Into Line, MARCH. (colonel)**

**By Company Into Line, MARCH. (captains)**

Typically done on the march, the 1<sup>st</sup> Sgts will proceed directly forward. The men will move at the double quick step, at the right shoulder shift. They will go to their place on the line, front rank and then rear rank, from the right of the line to the left. The captain will move to the center and 2 paces in front of his company.

Initially, the dress is to the right while all the men are coming up to the line. However, in a column of companies the dress of the column is left. When the colonel sees the companies formed he commands:

**Guide, LEFT. (colonel)**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sgts will align themselves with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sgt of the largest company. The rest of the company will dress left to him.

