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Inauguration of the President and Vice President of the United States

*at the
National Capitol
January Twentieth
Nineteen Hundred Forty-Nine*



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Admission by
Card Only—Vehicles

Platform Tickets

Tickets to those sections of the Inaugural Platform, designated as A, A1, B, C, C1, D, and East (H), DO NOT ADMIT TO THE CAPITOL BUILDING.

Tickets admitting to the President's Platform must be presented at the door beneath the arch under the east steps of the Senate wing, and again at the east door of the Rotunda.

Tickets admitting to Platforms A and A1 must be presented at the entrances thereto on the north (near the Senate wing).

Tickets admitting to Platform B must be presented at the entrances thereto on the south (near the House wing).

Tickets admitting to Platforms C, C1, and D must be presented at the entrances thereto on the east or center section of the platform.

Tickets admitting to the East Platform (H) must be presented at the entrances thereto on the north and south of East Capitol Street and the Capitol Plaza.

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No person except Senators and former Senators will be admitted to the Senate wing of the Capitol, or to the Inaugural Platform without a card signed by the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements.

All vehicles, except those bearing a special automobile pass, will be excluded from the Capitol Grounds until after the conclusion of the ceremonies.

Entrance

Cards of admission to the Senate wing will be good only at the door beneath the arch under the east steps of the Senate wing.

The eastern door of the Senate wing will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. to those holding cards of admission. Persons presenting themselves at any other entrance will be refused admission.

Place of Assembly

The Senate will convene in recess at 11:45 a. m. on Thursday, January 20, and proceed in a body to the President's Platform. The Senate, headed by the President pro tempore and the Secretary of the Senate, will be seated on the left of the President's Platform.

The House of Representatives will convene at 11:40 a. m. on Thursday, January 20, and proceed in a body to the President's Platform. The House of Representatives, headed by the Speaker and the Clerk of the House, will be seated on the right of the President's Platform.

The Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives will distribute cards of identification to Representatives.

The Secretary of State will distribute cards of admission to the Inaugural Platform to the Ambassadors and Ministers of foreign countries, and they are requested to enter the lower Senate door and assemble in the Senate Reception Room whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform.

The Supreme Court is requested to enter the former Supreme Court entrance and assemble in the Chamber formerly occupied by the Court, whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform, headed by their Marshal and Clerk, and accompanied by their Reporter.

The members of the President's Cabinet are requested to enter the lower Senate door and assemble in the President's Room, whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform.

Place of Assembly

The Senate will convene in room 2145 at 11:45 a. m. on Thursday, January 20, and proceed in a body to the President's Platform. The Senate, headed by the President pro tempore and the Secretary of the Senate, will be seated on the left of the President's Platform.

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The Supreme Court is requested to enter the lower Supreme Court entrance and assemble in the Chamber formerly occupied by the Court, whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform, headed by their Marshal and Clerk, and accompanied by their Registrar.

The members of the President's Cabinet are requested to enter the lower Senate door and assemble in the President's Room, whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform.

Proceedings on the Inaugural Platform

The Governors of the States are requested to enter the lower Senate door and assemble in the Marble Room, whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform.

The Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Chief of Staff U. S. Air Force, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Commandant of the Coast Guard are requested to enter the lower Senate door and assemble in the Senate Reception Room whence they will be escorted to the President's Platform.

When the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, the members of the Supreme Court, the members of the President's Cabinet, the Diplomatic Corps, the Governors of the States, the Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-Chief, the Officers of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and other distinguished guests are seated on the President's Platform, the Committee on Arrangements, headed by the Sergeants at Arms of the Senate and House of Representatives, will escort the President, and the Vice President-elect to the Inaugural Platform.

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The Chief Justice will occupy a seat on the platform on the right of the President.

The Vice President-elect will occupy a seat on the platform on the left of the President.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives will occupy a seat on the platform on the right of the President.

The President pro tempore of the Senate will occupy a seat on the platform on the left of the President.

The Committee on Arrangements, with the Sergeants at Arms of the Senate and the House of Representatives, will occupy seats on the right and left.

The Associate Justices of the Supreme Court will occupy seats on the left.

The Diplomatic Corps will occupy seats on the left.

The members of the President's Cabinet will occupy seats on the left.

The Governors of the States will occupy seats on the right.

The Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Chief of Staff U. S. Air Force, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Commandant of the Coast Guard, and other distinguished guests will be seated on the right and left.

When all are assembled, the following order will prevail:

Prayer.

The Star Spangled Banner.

The oath of office will be administered to the Vice President-elect.

The oath of office will be administered to the President by the Chief Justice.

The President will then deliver his Inaugural Address.
Benediction.

The President and the Vice President, accompanied by the Committee on Arrangements, will proceed to the White House.

Regulations for the Capitol Building

All doors of the Rotunda will be closed and passage-ways leading thereto will be kept clear. No person will be permitted to pass from the House wing through the Rotunda except Members, and the officers of the House of Representatives, who will be provided with cards of identification.

The Capitol Building will be closed on the night of January 19 and kept closed until after the Inaugural ceremonies.

The Sergeant at Arms of the Senate is charged with the execution of these arrangements.

CARL HAYDEN, *Chairman,*
J. HOWARD McGRATH,
KENNETH S. WHERRY,
JOHN McCORMACK,
HARRY R. SHEPPARD,
CHARLES A. HALLECK,
Committee on Arrangements.