

starched piqué. Shoes are natural calf, but pumps may be worn. White gloves and a top hat complete the ensemble. For outdoors, a black overcoat or cape may be worn.

- Ladies:*
- Long evening gown with gloves.
 - If the gown is sleeveless, gloves should be above the elbow.
 - If the gown has long sleeves, short gloves should be worn.
 - Gloves should not be removed when passing through the receiving line or while dancing.
 - If the occasion is an official dinner, gloves should be removed when one is seated at the table, since they must not be worn while eating or drinking.

3. Dress optional — Sports Clothes

Indicated for more intimate gatherings held at home with friends or business acquaintances, in a relaxed atmosphere.

Men: — Sport jacket and tie or open-necked shirt with ascot or turtleneck sweater.

Ladies: — May dress as they wish, while avoiding extremes in style.

4. Casual dress

May be indicated for informal gatherings with close friends, for example, get-togethers around the swimming pool, tennis parties, brunch or the like.

Men: — Slacks and open-necked shirt; jacket, if one is worn, may be removed on arrival.

Ladies: — Comfortable, practical attire appropriate to the occasion.

NB:

- 1 In all circumstances, national costumes can replace ceremonial wear. Out of courtesy to guests, this should be indicated in the invitation.

Example: DRESS — LOUNGE SUIT OR NATIONAL DRESS

- 2 In tropical countries, dress is generally much simpler, even for official functions. Occasionally for private receptions which call for