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5. DISCLAIMER. This document is intended to provide operational requirements for Coast Guard personnel and is not intended to nor does it impose legally-binding requirements on any party outside the Coast Guard. This guidance is in no way inclusive. Common sense is the key because many things are not addressed. Remember the safety and well being of our members comes first and should take precedence. Always use good judgment taking into account that we are a military branch of the United States if unable to follow these regulations.
6. MAJOR CHANGES. This Manual has been extensively updated from the previous version and clarifies/updates various items and policies. A complete review of the entire Manual is strongly recommended. Major updates include: Changing all appropriate entries to read PSC or PSC (PSD-mu) as required, policies governing both Coast Guard ball caps, addition of the updated CG Band Ceremonial Uniform, Clarification on the wear of Admiral stars on the Winter Dress Blue Shirt and Operational Dress Uniform, additional wording to help clarify when civilian clothing should be authorized for Marine Safety personnel, removal of the female pumps from the sea bag, but making them mandatory if an optional skirt is worn, adds the Rating Force Master Chief badge as an authorized sewn on badge for the ODUs, and adds clarification for authority and steps needed prior to the wearing of required badges from another service/department that are not listed in this Manual. Many more clerical and administrative changes have been made as needed.
7. REQUEST FOR CHANGES. Units and individuals may recommend changes to the Uniform Regulations in accordance with Chapter 1.C.1 of this manual.
8. RECORDS MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS. This Manual has been evaluated for potential records management impacts. The development of this Manual has been thoroughly reviewed during the directives clearance process, and it has been determined there are no further records scheduling requirements, in accordance with Federal Records Act, 44 U.S.C. 3101 et seq., National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) requirements, and the Information and Life Cycle Management Manual, COMDTINST M5212.12 (series). This policy does not have any significant or substantial change to existing records management requirements.
9. ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECT AND IMPACT CONSIDERATIONS.
 - a. The development of this Manual and the general policies contained within it have been thoroughly reviewed by the originating office in conjunction with the Office of Environmental Management, and are categorically excluded (CE) under current USCG CE # 33 from further environmental analysis, in accordance with Section 2.B.2. and Figure 2-1 of the National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures and Policy for Considering Environmental Impacts, COMDTINST M16475.1 (series). Because this Manual contains guidance documents that implement, without substantive change the applicable Commandant Instruction and other guidance documents, Coast guard categorical exclusion #33 is appropriate.

b. This directive will not have any of the following: significant cumulative impacts on the human environment; substantial controversy or substantial change to existing environmental conditions; or inconsistencies with any Federal, State, or local laws or administrative determinations relating to the environment. All future specific actions resulting from the general policies in this manual must be individually evaluated for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), DHS and Coast Guard NEPA policy, and compliance with all other environmental mandates. Due to the administrative and procedural nature of this Manual, and the environmental guidance provided within it for compliance with all applicable environmental laws prior to promulgating any directive, all applicable environmental considerations are addressed appropriately in this Manual.

10. FORMS/REPORTS. Any forms referenced in this Manual are available in USCG Electronic Forms on the Standard Workstation or on the Internet: <http://www.uscg.mil/forms/>; CG Portal <https://cgportal.uscg.mil/delivery/Satellite/CG611/FORMS> and Intranet at <http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/CGForms>. USCG Training Records, form CG-5285, Stock Number 7530-01-GF2-9880 may be ordered through the Surface Force Logistics Center in Baltimore, MD.

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

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Chapter 1	
Page 1-1 Article 1.A.1	CG-1221 changed to read “PSC (PSD-mu)” . Other instances of this change will no longer be marked as a change for review purposes.
Page 1-2 Article 1.A.5	Adds note “not all items sold by the CGES system are made according to CG uniform standards, Please double check prior to purchasing.”
Page 1-6 Article 1.B.3	Clarifies donation or selling individual uniform type clothing. “Donating or selling of distinct individual uniform type clothing (i.e. SDB’s, Combination cap, Garrison cap) to the public is not allowed, although the selling or donating of generic items (i.e. T-shirts, belt/buckle, boots) is authorized as long as there are no names, military markings, including buttons, patches, logos, etc., on the clothing that would identify it as belonging to an individual or as a Coast Guard uniform item.”
Page 1-8 Article 1.B.5	Updates when a separated member may wear the Coast Guard uniform. Any member who has served honorably in the Coast Guard during time of war (declared or undeclared) may wear the uniform of his/her rank or rating when not in active service, whether or not on the retired list during: (1) Occasions of ceremony (see 14 U.S.C. 483) and (2) "When authorized by regulations prescribed by the President." (see 10 U.S.C. 772(e)).
Page 1-10 Article 1.C.1	Updates the Name of the “Defense Logistics Agency Troop Support (DLA Troop Support).”
Chapter 2	
Page 2-2 Article 2.A.1	Adds the Killed In Action “KIA” bracelet to the list of authorized bracelets.
Page 2-3 Article 2.A.1	Clarifies the wearing of Back Packs with two shoulder straps. “Forward to Aft” .
Page 2-4 Article 2.A.1	Adds “Blue” as an additional color that eyewear retainers may be.

<p>Page 2-6 Article 2.A.2</p>	<p>Adds additional wording to clarify when Commanding Officers should allow Marine Safety personnel to wear civilian clothing. “This should not be interpreted as blanket authority to wear civilian clothing all the time. Proper consideration should be given to determine if the wearing of civilian clothing is necessary to meet the needs of the service for any given situation.”</p>
<h3>Chapter 3</h3>	
<p>Page 3-1 Article 3.A.1</p>	<p>Clarifies who can wear the Dinner Dress Blue Jacket. “Optional for all other officers and enlisted members.” and adds “(Black Jacket)” to clarify the color of the jacket</p>
<p>Page 3-2 Article 3.A.2</p>	<p>Updates the required seabag items and life expectancies.</p>
<p>Page 3-3 Article 3.B.1</p>	<p>Formal Dress Blue (Evening Dress or White Tie).</p> <p>Adds additional comments: “This jacket is the Navy Dinner Dress Blue Jacket that is Black in color.”</p> <p>Adds additional information: “With Multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest area. Backing shall be affixed through both lapel and jacket.”</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: “Men: Oxfords. Optional synthetic high-gloss.” “Women: Flats or pumps are worn with the dress slacks; pumps are mandatory with the formal dress skirt.”</p> <p>Removes the Tiara as an optional item.</p>
<p>Page 3-5 Article 3.B.2</p>	<p>Dinner Dress Blue Jacket.</p> <p>Adds additional comments: “This jacket is the Navy Dinner Dress Blue Jacket that is Black in color.”</p> <p>Adds additional information: “With Multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest area. Backing shall be affixed through both lapel and jacket.”</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: “Men: Oxfords. Optional synthetic high-gloss.” “Women: Flats or pumps are worn with the dress slacks; pumps are mandatory with the formal dress skirt.”</p> <p>Removes the Tiara as an optional item.</p>
<p>Page 3-7 Article 3.B.3</p>	<p>Dinner Dress White Jacket.</p>

	<p>Adds additional information: “With Multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest area. Backing shall be affixed through both lapel and jacket.”</p> <p>Removes the Tiara as an optional item.</p>
<p>Page 3-8 Article 3.B.3</p>	<p>Dinner Dress White Jacket cont.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: “Men: Oxfords. Optional synthetic high-gloss.” “Women: Flats or pumps are worn with the dress slacks; pumps are mandatory with the formal dress skirt.”</p>
<p>Page 3-9 Article 3.B.4</p>	<p>Dinner Dress Blue.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: “Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.”</p>
<p>Page 3-10 Article 3.B.5</p>	<p>Dinner Dress White.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p>
<p>Page 3-11 Article 3.B.6</p>	<p>Full Dress Blue.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p>
<p>Page 3-12 Article 3.B.7</p>	<p>Full Dress White.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p>
<p>Page 3-13 Article 3.B.8</p>	<p>Service Dress Blue.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p> <p>Removes the Garrison cap as a authorized item for wear with the SDB’s. “Garrison cap is not Authorized.”</p>
<p>Page 3-14 Article 3.B.9</p>	<p>Service Dress White.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p>

<p>Page 3-15 Article 3.B.10</p>	<p>Tropical Blue.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p> <p>Removes the Ball Cap as an optional item for wear: “Ball caps are not authorized.”</p>
<p>Page 3-16 Article 3.B.11</p>	<p>Winter Dress Blue.</p> <p>Updates the policy on shoes/pumps: Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.</p> <p>Removes the Ball Cap as an optional item for wear with the Tropical Blue uniform. “Ball caps are not authorized.”</p> <p>Clarifies the period the Winter Dress Blue shirt may be worn. Authorized from 1 Nov to 31 Mar.</p>
<p>Page 3-17 Article 3.B.12</p>	<p>Untucked ODU’s.</p> <p>Adds the clarification that: “Temporary insignia are not authorized.”</p> <p>Adds authority for the RFMC’s to wear their badge on the UODU. “and Rating Force Master Chiefs”</p>
<p>Page 3-18 Article 3.B.12</p>	<p>Untucked ODU’s cont.</p> <p>Authorizes Black or “Dark Blue” socks.</p> <p>Adds the wording: “composite toe” for the boots.</p> <p>Clarifies the termination date for the optional cotton belt: “The optional cotton belt with subdued buckle is authorized until 1 July 2012.”</p> <p>Updates the head gear that can be worn: “Standard Ball cap, Unit Ball cap, Cold Weather cap, or Watch cap as weather dictates. See section 3.C.1.”</p> <p>Updates the Occasions for wear policy: “when the ODU is the comparable uniform to what is being worn. ODUs are allowed for wear while traveling on TDY (on commercial – air, bus, train, etc.) with the standard ball cap.”</p>
<p>Page 3-19 Article 3.B.13</p>	<p>Tucked ODU’s.</p>

	<p>Adds a text box that states: “This uniform will no longer be authorized after 1 July 2012!”</p> <p>Adds the clarification that: “Temporary insignia are not authorized.”</p> <p>Adds authority for the RFMC’s to wear their badge on the UODU. “and Rating Force Master Chiefs”</p>
<p>Page 3-20 Article 3.B.13</p>	<p>Tucked ODU’s cont.</p> <p>Adds the wording: “composite toe” for the boots.</p> <p>Clarifies the termination date for the optional cotton belt: “The optional cotton belt with subdued buckle is authorized until 1 July 2012.”</p> <p>Updates the head gear that can be worn: “Standard Ball cap, Unit Ball cap, Cold Weather cap, or Watch cap as weather dictates. See section 3.C.1.”</p> <p>Updates the Occasions for wear policy: “when the ODU is the comparable uniform to what is being worn. ODUs are allowed for wear while traveling on TDY (on commercial – air, bus, train, etc.) with the standard ball cap.”</p>
<p>Page 3-21 Article 3.C.1</p>	<p>Combinations cap.</p> <p>Authorizes the Felt style visor on the Combination cap: “Felt style visor is authorized for Officers with Acorns and Oak leaves.”</p>
<p>Page 3-23 Article 3.C.1</p>	<p>Update the policy on the Standard Ball cap: “This cap is made of the same Coast Guard blue material as the ODU with a rear hook and loop adjusting tab. Cap will have U. S. COAST GUARD embroidered in an arch across the front of the cap face in 1/2-inch gold “Block Caps”. The lettering will be placed on the hat to allow proper placement of the required rank insignia or CG device.</p> <p>Gold acorns and oak leaves (i.e. “Scrambled Eggs”) are no longer authorized.</p>
<p>Pages 3-23, 3-24 Article 3.C.1</p>	<p>Updates the policy on the Unit Ball cap: “This cap is made of the same Coast Guard blue material as the ODU with a rear hook and loop adjusting tab. Cap will have U. S. COAST GUARD embroidered in an arch across the front of the cap face in 1/2-inch gold “Block Caps”. The lettering will be placed on the hat to allow proper placement of the required rank insignia or CG device. Unit lettering will be 1/2 inch gold “Block Caps” embroidered 1/2 inch above and parallel to the visor, no more than 17 characters are authorized. The standards of Purchase Description 11-131B shall be adhered to!</p>

	<p>Gold acorns and oak leaves (i.e. “Scrambled Eggs”) are no longer authorized.</p> <p>Adds a note: “<u>Note:</u> The Unit Ball Cap is only authorized to be worn in the members AOR if approved by the proper command and extends to their duty area-including co-located units or extended duty (cutter tie up at USCG ports). They are NOT allowed while on TDY. This cap is not a seabag item and cannot be mandated for wear onboard units.</p> <p>CG funds will not be used to purchase Unit Ball Caps.”</p>
<p>Page 3-26 Article 3.C.2</p>	<p>Adds the description and related info for the Dark Blue crew neck undershirt.</p> <p>“Description: A short sleeve cotton/polyester-blend T- shirt, USCG dark blue with a crew neck and the words U. S. COAST GUARD embroidered across the left front chest in 3/4-inch white block letters.”</p> <p><u>“Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform <p>Notes: It shall remain tucked in at all times.</p> <p>Unit T-Shirts are not authorized for wear with CG uniforms.”</p>
<p>Page 3-27-3-28 Article 3.C.3</p>	<p>Added the terminal date for the ODU (tucked) Shirt. “The ODU (tucked) is not authorized after 1 July 2012.”</p> <p>Adds updated information regarding high heat conditions: “<u>Note:</u> During high heat conditions, either outdoors or indoors, the temporary removal of the ODU top is authorized for heat stress relief. This is a temporary solution for the period that personnel are working in the hot climate. It cannot be prescribed as the uniform of the day and is not authorized for wear outside the workspace. The standard embroidered Coast Guard Dark Blue Crew Neck T-shirt as listed in 3.C.2 must be worn and tucked in at all times.”</p> <p>Adds the note: “Unit T-Shirts are not authorized for wear with CG uniforms.”</p>

<p>Page 3-29 Article 3.C.3</p>	<p>Adds the authority to wear the WDB shirt purchased from the UDC with permanent silicone creases: “Shirts purchased from the UDC with the permanent silicone creases are authorized. Addition of permanent creases are not authorized to other versions of the Winter Dress Blue shirt.”</p>
<p>Pages 3-37-3-38 Article 3.C.6</p>	<p>Skirts</p> <p>Clarifies the new policy: “When worn, black pumps are mandatory.” “When worn, white pumps are mandatory.”</p>
<p>Page 3-39 Article 3.C.7</p>	<p>Adds a terminal date on the ODU trousers (tucked). “The ODU (tucked) is not authorized after 1 July 2012.”</p>
<p>Page 3-42 Article 3.C.8</p>	<p>Adds the terminal date to the subdued black belt and buckle: “Authorized until 1 July 2012.”</p>
<p>Page 3-44 Article 3.C.10</p>	<p>Removes, the pumps from the seabag, and made them an optional item unless a skirt is worn then they become mandatory. “Pumps have been removed from the required Seabag and are now an optional item, but become mandatory if any of the optional skirts are worn.”</p> <p>Adds the additional note: “NOTE: In all cases when wearing an optional skirt, proper color pumps become mandatory with the exceptions noted in sections 4.A.7 and 4.A.8. In most cases pumps become optional as stated to the right when slacks are worn.”</p> <p>Adds the new optional Coast Guard tennis shoe.</p> <p>Adds the authority to wear dark blue socks in place of black socks.</p>
<p>Page 3-46 Article 3.C.10</p>	<p>Adds additional clarification to Boat Shoes: “authorized when appropriate.”</p> <p>Adds the new optional Tennis Shoes to the manual: “TENNIS SHOES (OPTIONAL)” “The official USCG running shoe made by New Balance. A midsole shoe with stability and shock dispersion /absorbing technology. Custom colors with Coast Guard Emblem.”</p> <p><u>Wear with</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Basic Physical Fitness (BPF) Uniform ◆ Can be used as a light-duty shoe
<p>Page 3-47 Article 3.C.10</p>	<p>Adds the authority to wear Dark Blue socks: “Dark Blue”</p>

<p>Page 3-48 Article 3.C.11</p>	<p>Clarifies wear of the cardigan sweater: “Must remain buttoned at all times with the exception of expectant mothers, the sweater may be buttoned or unbuttoned during second trimester of pregnancy.”</p> <p>Removes authority to wear the Foul Weather Parka II liner as a standalone jacket.</p>
<p>Page 3-49 Article 3.C.11</p>	<p>Updates the insignia information on the FWP II: “3.D.5”</p> <p>Also updates the placement for the Rank device on the FWP II: “for placement of the FWPII fabric rank device that is mandatory for E-4 and above.”</p> <p>Adds the policy regarding the wearing of the ODU Utility Jacket. ODU UTILITY JACKET</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.3 and 3.D.5 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p> <p>A FWP II fitted blue Polartec Power Shield liner. Made of 70% polyester, 30% nylon. That is a 98% windproof, water repellant, breathable, stretch fabric. It has a tab on the front for placement of the embroidered FWPII fabric rank device that is mandatory for E-4 and above.</p> <p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>ODU</u> ◆ <u>Foul Weather Parka II</u> <p>Is authorized for wear as a standalone jacket when worn with the ODU.</p> <p>Only small items shall be carried in the pockets and must not distort the look of the jacket.</p>
<p>Page 3-50 Article 3.C.11</p>	<p>Adds the policy regarding the wearing of the Fleece Liner.</p> <p>FLEECE LINER FOR THE FWP II</p> <p>A FWP II fitted blue 100% fleece liner with waist draw string.</p> <p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>Foul Weather Parka II</u> <p>This liner when worn must be married to the FWP II. At no time will this be worn as a standalone jacket.</p>

<p>Page 3-50 Article 3.C.11</p>	<p>Adds the reference for the proper insignia.</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.3 and 3.D.5 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>
<p>Page 3-53 Article 3.C.12</p>	<p>Adds that a waiver can be requested if circumstances dictate the need for the maternity uniforms are needed early.</p> <p>A waiver may be requested from PSC (PSD-mu) if the circumstances dictate the need for the maternity uniform prior to the second trimester.</p>
<p>Pages 3-53- 3-54 Article 3.C.12</p>	<p>Adds additional wording to help with placement of accoutrements on the Maternity Dress Shirts. “These shirts are similar to the Tropical Blue uniform. Accoutrements shall be arranged in the same manner as the Tropical Blue, however they may be moved slightly from their normal position to take into account comfort.”</p>
<p>Pages 3-57, 3-58 Article 3.D.1</p>	<p>Updates the pictures O-7 to O-10</p>
<p>Page 3-61 Article 3.D.3</p>	<p>Clarifies the manner of wear for rank insignia on the FWP II. "Embroidered FWPII fabric rank device is" worn centered on the Velcro tab on front of coat. "For O-7and above, stars on the embroidered FWPII fabric rank device are worn with the point up and in a vertical line centered on the tab."</p>
<p>Page 3-62 Article 3.D.3</p>	<p>Adds: “W2 – W4 and O-1 – O6” Collar rank insignia are centered between the top and bottom collar edges. The center of the insignia is parallel and one inch from the leading edge of the collar. “W-2 – W4 will place their designator on the left and rank on the right.”</p> <p>Standardizes the manner of wear for all ADM collar devices and updates the pictures for the Winter Dress Blue Shirt: "Admiral Stars shall be point-to-point. With the single top point(s) facing inboard (towards the neck), the center of the first star is placed one inch in from the collars leading edge and one inch down from the collars <u>inboard</u> (top) edge with additional stars running parallel to the collars <u>inboard</u> (top) edge.</p> <p>Standardizes the manner of wear for all ADM collar devices and updates the pictures for the Operational Dress Uniform: "Admiral Stars shall be point-to-point, with the single point(s) facing inboard (towards the neck), the center of the first star is placed one inch in from the collars leading edge and one inch up from the collars <u>outboard</u> (bottom) edge with additional stars running parallel to the collars <u>outboard</u> (bottom) edge.</p> <p>Added clarifying pictures to help with alignment.</p>

<p>Page 3-63 Article 3.D.4</p>	<p>Updates the Ball cap insignia placement: “All insignia will be centered on the front of the cap so as to not interfere with the lettering. Standard Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering and the bill of the cap. Unit Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering above and lettering below.”</p>
<p>Page 3-65 Article 3.D.5</p>	<p>Adds: “Embroidered FWPII fabric rank device is” worn centered on the Velcro tab on the front of the coat.</p> <p>Insignia placement for E-4 – E-9 and MCPOCG for Foul Weather Parka II or the ODU Utility Jacket.</p> <p>Adds the word "Leading" with regards to Collar device placement.</p>
<p>Page 3-67 Article 3.D.7</p>	<p>Updates photos of the enlisted non-rate marks.</p> <p>Adds the addition of the all-in-one patch for a designated E-1 to E-3. "The rating designator is placed on the left coat sleeve, centered directly above and on the seam of the non-rate mark or may be an all-in-one patch that has the two combined. Both are located in the same position. The combined patch can be carefully cut and sewn to fit E-1 to E-3."</p>
<p>Page 3-68 Article 3.D.8</p>	<p>Clarifies the color of the chevrons and the background. “The color of the chevrons for E-4 through E-6 is scarlet with the background the same color as the jacket. Stripes worn on the Dinner Dress White Jacket have a white background with dark blue stripes. The color for the chevrons worn by E-7 through E-9 including the MCPOCG is gold with the background the same color as the jacket. “</p> <p>Clarifies the appropriate Rating badge for MCPOCG, Area, Command, and all others within the Command Chief network. MCPOCG and Area level Gold Badge Command Master Chiefs including the MCPO-CGRF will wear a gold shield with Gold stars as their rating badge. All other Gold Badge Command Master Chiefs will wear a silver shield with silver stars as their rating badge. All other E-7 through E-9 will have a rating emblem placed between the eagle and the chevron(s) indicating the wearer’s specific rating.</p> <p>Updates the Dinner Dress Jackets as having their Rating badges placed on the outer side of the left sleeve. “The badge will be placed on the outer side of the left sleeve of the Service Dress Blue coat and both Dinner Dress Jackets.”</p>
<p>Page 3-72 Article 3.D.10</p>	<p>Updates the information and photo regarding the ball cap changes for Enlisted members. “All insignia will be centered on the front of the cap so as to not interfere with the lettering. Standard Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering and the bill of the cap. Unit Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering above and lettering below.”</p>

Page 3-74 Article 3.E.1	Adds clarification that the insignia worn on the ODU must be a permanently earned insignia. “A single embroidered insignia that the member has permanently earned may be worn on the ODU, sewn on and centered directly above the “U. S. COAST GUARD” tape.”
Page 3-81 Article 3.E.3	Adds the requirement that documentation be submitted to PSC (PSD-mu) verifying the mandatory wearing of a badge not listed in 3.E.3 prior to the wearing of said badge. “ The member(s) directed to wear a badge not listed must supply PSC (PSD-mu) with a copy of the instruction/regulation governing the requirement to wear the badge, the manner of wear, and a letter/memo listing the member(s) authorized to wear it from the hosting command/organization prior to wearing the badge. ”
Page 3-84 - 3-85 Article 3.E.3	Updates the pictures of the CMC badges and clarifies them:
Page 3-87 Article 3.E.4	Additional clarification is added for the ODU: “Only embroidered permanent insignias, command devices, incumbent Command Chiefs, and RFMC badges are authorized on the ODU.” “ Only the pocket length tape with full size embroidered insignia should be sewn centered immediately above the U. S. Coast Guard tape. ”
Page 3-90 Article 3.E.4	Adds additional wording for clarification when medals extend past the lapel. “ Backing shall be affixed through the lapel and jacket. ” Removes the reference to page numbers and adds in the appropriate section. “ 3.E.4 ”.
Page 3-92 Article 3.E.4	Removes the Company Commander insignia from the badge section.
Page 3-102 Article 3.G.3	Clarifies the wearing of stars when multiple colors are worn: “ With two stars, one silver and one gold or bronze, the silver star will be placed to the wearer's right, the gold or bronze star to the left. With three stars, one silver and two gold or bronze the silver star will be placed in-between the two gold or bronze stars on the medal or ribbon! ”
Page 3-115 Article 3.M	Adds in additional info on when ODUs can be worn: “ ODUs are allowed for wear while traveling on TDY (on commercial -air, bus, train, etc) with standard ball cap. ”
Chapter 4	
Chapter 4 Table of Contents	Highlights removed
Page 4-3 Article 4.A.6	Updated chart to indicate that white gloves are an optional item for TRACEN’s Honor Guard.

<p>Page 4-7 Article 4.A.7</p>	<p>Updates the information regarding the wearing of pumps when skirts are worn. “Pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Exceptions can be made on a case by case basis if flats are needed to operate instrument pedals.”</p> <p>Mandates the wear of the Combination Cap, with CG band Concert Dress uniform. “Combination cap with Enlisted or Officer insignia.”</p>
<p>Pages 4-9 – 4-10 Article 4.A.8</p>	<p>Updates the CG Band Ceremonial Uniform. (the whole uniform has changes).</p>
<p>Page 4-11 Article 4.A.9</p>	<p>Removes certain items to bring it in line with current policies.</p>
<p>Pages 4-12 – 4-13 Article 4.B.1</p>	<p>Adds that the Protocol Officer is the POC for new members being assigned to the office of the President and Vice President. “(POC is the Protocol Officer)”.</p> <p>Updates that ODUs (Untucked) will be used as the extra Issue-In-Kind, Instead of the Tucked.</p>
<p>Page 4-21 Article 4.D.</p>	<p>Adds additional information regarding Organizational Clothing. “Request for organizational clothing waivers shall be submitted to Commandant (CG-843) through the appropriate program and through PSC (PSD-mu) for endorsements. Requests should be submitted by mail via Coast Guard Memo. An advance scanned copy can be E-mailed in advance for urgent situations.”</p>
<p>Page 4-21 Article 4.D.1</p>	<p>Removes the manual name and adds it as a Reference.</p> <p>"A description of authorized boat crew protective clothing and equipment is contained in reference (f)."</p>
<p>Page 4-22 Article 4.D.3</p>	<p>Removes the manual names and adds it as a Reference.</p> <p>" Reference (g) and reference (h) lists individual flight clothing items and information on its care and use."</p>
<p>Page 4-26 Article 4.D.7</p>	<p>Updates the Hot Weather: “During periods of Hot Weather commands are authorized to allow the removal of the UDO blouse for heat relief. The standard CG blue T-shirt as listed in 3.C.2 of this manual will be worn and tucked in at all times. Unit T-shirts are NOT authorized at any time.”</p>
<p>Page 4-26 Article 4.D.8</p>	<p>Clarifies wear of the G-1 leather flight jacket: “The G-1 leather jacket is limited to use by aviation personnel in approved flight status and currently on Flight duty at the discretion of air station commanding officers.”</p>
<p>Page 4-28 Article 4.D.12</p>	<p>Updates that CUU boots meet the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM document number ASTM-2413-05(as updated). “The boot will have a composite toe and will comply with the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) document number ASTM-2413-05 (as updated). Steel-toed boots are not authorized after 31 December 2012.”</p>

<p>Page 4-29 Article 4.D.13</p>	<p>Clarifies what uniforms the Campaign Cover can be worn with and that it is limited to TRACEN Cape May: “Commanding Officer, TRACEN Cape May, may authorize its wear with the Service Dress Blue uniform and other less formal uniforms.”</p> <p>Clarifies the color of the Campaign Cover: “dark blue”.</p>
<p>Page 4-30 Article 4.D.14</p>	<p>Designates Uniform Distribution Center as the sole source of the Basic Physical Fitness Clothing: “Uniform Distribution Center is the single source of supply for all BPF uniforms.”</p>

<h2>Chapter 6</h2>	
<p>Pages 6-14 - 6-16 Article 6.D.4</p>	<p>Size “Prediction Chart” name change for the standard ODU shirt (tucked).</p> <p>Added that minor tailoring is allowed on the ODU shirt (tucked). “Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.”</p> <p>Added that minor tailoring is allowed on the ODU male shirt (untucked). “Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.”</p>
<p>Page 6-19 Article 6.D.6</p>	<p>Added that minor tailoring is allowed on the ODU trousers (tucked). Same as above.</p> <p>Added that minor tailoring is allowed on the ODU trousers (untucked). Same as above.</p>
<p>Page 6-20 Article 6.D.7</p>	<p>Chart name change on men’s SDB coat sizes. “Men's Service Dress Blue Coat Sizes”</p>
<p>Page 6-27 Article 6.E.2</p>	<p>Adds authorization for minor tailoring on the ODU female shirt (untucked). Same as above.</p>
<p>Page 6-28 Article 6.E.3</p>	<p>Current sizes chart name change for the Light Blue long/short sleeve shirt. “Current Sizes for Women’s Light Blue Long and Short Sleeve Shirt”</p>
<p>Page 6-30 Article 6.E.5</p>	<p>Chart name change to “Flat Front Sizes” on the SDB slacks.</p>

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Chapter 1 – General Uniform Policy

1.A. General Information

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1.A. General Information

1.A.1. Policy

14 U.S.C. § 485 provides that: (a) the Coast Guard may purchase uniforms, accouterments, and related equipment for sale to officer personnel or cadets of the Coast Guard and; (b) the Coast Guard may purchase uniform clothing for sale to enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard. The actual cost of the clothing thus sold to enlisted personnel may be withheld from their pay. The cost of initial issue of enlisted uniforms is recovered from each member over time by way of a reduced clothing maintenance allowance.

This Manual provides descriptions of all authorized U.S. Coast Guard uniforms and components, and guidance for all Coast Guard activities prescribing uniform wear in order to present a consistent Coast Guard image worldwide. In cases when a further determination of the appropriateness of any uniform item, grooming, or appearance standard is necessary, refer the matter to **Personnel Service Center (Personnel Services Division - Military Uniforms), PSC-(PSD-mu)** for review and determination.

1.A.2. Implementation

These regulations define the composition of authorized uniforms and appearance standards. Coast Guard uniforms are distinctive visual evidence of the authority and responsibility vested in their wearer by the United States. The prescribing authority determines when and where the uniforms in this Manual are appropriate for wear. Coast Guard personnel must present a proud, professional, and consistent appearance that will reflect positively on the individual, the Coast Guard, and the United States. All personnel will comply with these regulations and serve as a positive example (A mentor) for the proper wearing of Coast Guard uniforms. Exemplary military appearance should be the norm for uniformed personnel.

1.A.3. Optional Uniform Items

Optional uniform items are items that are officially recognized and authorized to be worn, but are not required to be owned by members. For example, the woolly pully sweater and the Service Dress Blue skirt are optional uniform items. The purpose for specifying some items as optional is to provide some flexibility of choice and individual comfort, while minimizing the cost incurred by individuals or the Government if all were required. Since members are not required to have optional items, those items may not be specified for wear by prescribing authorities. Additionally, optional items may not be appropriate for wear on all occasions or in all locations. Some restrictions on wear may be set by prescribing officials, who are responsible for determining appropriate uniforms for the various seasons, functions, and situations in their region. Individuals may wear optional

items at their discretion, except when these regulations or prescribing authorities specifically prohibit their wear. Special clothing items authorized by **PSC-(PSD-mu)** for safety, health, security, or law enforcement purposes may be issued as organizational clothing; see Chapter 4.D. for additional information on organizational clothing.

1.A.4. Command Authority and Responsibility

Commands have the authority and responsibility to render judgments regarding appropriate appearance and are ultimately responsible for enforcing these regulations in the spirit and intent described above. Interpretations will be made in accordance with the traditions and discipline inherent to the Coast Guard and the Armed Forces of the United States. Since it is impossible to predict, and therefore regulate, future fads and fashion, commands will maintain a conservative stance in interpretation of these regulations, while concurrently forwarding recommended changes via the Uniform Board process (see Section 1.C.) for those items and changes that are considered worthy of service-wide adoption. Nothing will interfere or take precedence over a command's discretion and responsibility to make an on-site, temporary correction when these regulations conflict with the health and safety of their assigned personnel.

1.A.5. Sources for Uniforms

Active duty, reserve, retired, and Auxiliary members may purchase uniform items at the Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), Woodbine, NJ; Training Center (TRACEN) Cape May, NJ; authorized commercial sources and various Coast Guard Exchange System (CGES) stores. **(Note: not all items sold by the CGES are made according to CG uniform standards, Please double check prior to purchasing.)** Procurement from unauthorized commercial sources is prohibited, as these sources frequently do not meet Coast Guard certification. Ordering information is included in Chapter 5 of this Manual.

1.B. Authority to Prescribe

1.B.1. Setting the Uniform of the Day

The standard Coast Guard uniform of the day, regardless of season or location, is Service Dress Blue or Tropical Blue uniform. For the Military District of Washington, DC., the uniform of the day for Coast Guard members is established by the Chief of Staff. District commanders prescribe the uniform for the season, day, or special occasion for personnel within the geographical limits of their district, with the exceptions listed below.

Commands in any locality within the district may amend the district's uniform of the day only with prior approval of the appropriate district staff element, and then only when necessary due to short-term local situations or variations in weather or climate. Other uniforms, such as Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) or authorized organizational clothing must be worn as required by the work or duties being performed.

Area, Maintenance and Logistics Commands, District, and local Commanders have the authority to require the wear of Service Dress Blue.

- a. Superintendent, Coast Guard Academy, will prescribe the uniform for wear by all cadets and permanent detail.
- b. Commanding Officer, Training Center Cape May, will prescribe the uniform for wear by all recruits and permanent detail.
- c. The Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard, Precision Drill Team, and Coast Guard Band are authorized distinctive uniforms as outlined in Chapter 4. Other distinctive uniforms, such as for local security forces, unit-level color guards, and funeral details, are authorized with approval of the cognizant district commander, and will conform to the special uniform standards outlined in Chapter 4.
- d. Coast Guard personnel serving with the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Air Force will wear Coast Guard uniforms commensurate to those prescribed for personnel of the service concerned. In combat areas or under other circumstances where the wearing of the Coast Guard uniform would be inappropriate, Coast Guard personnel may wear the expeditionary uniform of the other service provided that all members of that CG unit are outfitted uniformly. In these situations, the Coast Guard will either provide the uniform or reimburse the expense of the required uniforms upon approval by **PSC (PSD-mu)**. When such clothing is authorized, appropriate Coast Guard insignia will be worn.

The following criteria will be used as a guide to determine when Service Dress Blue is more appropriate than Tropical Blue uniform:

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- a. When a participant or guest at ceremonies or functions for which the military or civilian host requires the use of their equivalent of Service Dress Blue.
- b. When permanently or temporarily assigned at the facility of another military service that observes seasonal uniform changes.
- c. When a participant or guest in any ceremony or function at which a higher level of formality is traditional or expected.
- d. When attending official or social functions after 1800, Dinner Dress or Service Dress Blue may be more appropriate.
- e. When participating in hearings at the local, state, federal, or international level.
- f. When serving as a Coast Guard or military representative at military funerals. Service Dress Blue with combination cap is also the appropriate uniform for any funeral visitation, wake, funeral service, burial or memorial service. See Chapter 3.J for additional guidance.
- g. Whenever the dignity, gravity, or grandeur of a situation indicates a need for a more formal appearance.
- h. When honoring U.S. or foreign dignitaries.
- i. When indicated by military protocol.
- j. If otherwise unsure of the correct uniform for an occasion, direction from higher authority or from PSC (**PSD-mu**) should be requested.

1.B.2. When Uniforms are Optional or Prohibited

The table below describes the occasions when wearing a uniform, is optional or specifically prohibited.

When	Optional ¹	Prohibited
On liberty	X	
Traveling in U.S. Government vehicles, vessels, or aircraft	X	
Traveling on orders in commercial conveyances	X	
Traveling on orders in a foreign country	X	
On Duty Under Instruction	X	
Participating in traditional veteran’s functions, parades, ceremonies, and other events honoring the United States or U. S. Armed Forces	X	
Participating in public speeches, interviews, picket lines, marches or rallies not specifically approved or sanctioned by the Coast Guard		X
Participating in political activities, private employment, or commercial interests		X
Working in an off-duty civilian capacity		X
It would discredit the Coast Guard, Armed Forces, or U.S. Government		X

Note 1 - Although uniform wear may be optional, all uniforms must be worn to inspection-ready standards when worn in the above authorized circumstances. See Chapter 3 for guidance.

1.B.3. Donations of Uniforms (Obsolete and Current)

Uniform items that are serviceable, but no longer needed or wanted by active, reserve or auxiliary members, may be donated to other countries or organizations by following the below procedures. Sales or gifts, via the internet are strictly prohibited.

Donations of Federal (i.e. uniforms) property to foreign recipients are approved by the State Department in accordance with Title V of the Federal Property Act. Any requests for donations to foreign entities must be submitted to the Coast Guard Foreign Military Sales Program Manager at Commandant (CG-DCO-I). Any contact directly with the foreign government in giving excess Federal property away may cause an international incident, thus the protocol of the State Department handling the transfer is required by law. Any sales, action, or gifts, or sales via the internet is strictly prohibited.

The Civil Air Patrol (CAP) has been designated by the Secretary of Defense to be a Service Educational Activity, thereby eligible for donations of military surplus property. Any CAP unit interested in obtaining donations of surplus military equipment must contact their local State Agency for Surplus Property for assistance in acquiring needed property

.Donating or selling **of distinct** individual uniform type clothing (i.e. **SDB's, Combination cap, Garrison cap**) to the public **is not allowed, although the selling or donating of generic items (i.e. T-shirts, belt/buckle, boots) is authorized** as long as there are no names, military markings, including buttons, patches, logos, etc., **on the clothing that would identify it as belonging to an individual or as a Coast Guard uniform item.** If unsure of current policy, please check with Commandant (CG-842) for current policy.

Any unit wanting to donate Coast Guard surplus property, including uniforms, is required to send their SF 120 Reports of Excess Personal Property to Commandant (CG-842) as promulgated in policy in reference (a).

1.B.4. Disposal of Uniforms (Non-serviceable, Current or Obsolete)

Uniform items that are no longer serviceable, not authorized for wear, or no longer necessary should be destroyed or disposed of properly.

Obsolete, worn, damaged, or unwanted uniform items must be disposed of properly to ensure they do not become available to the general public. Any markings or identification sewn onto the uniform that identifies it as belonging to an individual or as a Coast Guard uniform must be removed before disposal. The uniform item must be rendered unserviceable (by burning, tearing, cutting, etc.) before disposal. Uniform items may not be merely thrown in the trash without taking such precautions first. In addition, uniform items may not be donated to relief agencies (Goodwill, the Salvation Army, etc.), sold to retail or consignment stores for further resale to the public, or provided to any organization, for any purposes, regardless of whether the intent is noble, unless it meets the criteria in 1.B.3.

1.B.5. Uniform Wear by Retired or Separated Personnel

The table below describes the occasions when members who are not on active duty may wear the uniform per 14 U.S.C. § 483. Such individuals will at no time portray themselves as being on active duty with the Coast Guard. The uniform may be worn traveling to and from the event described in the table below.

If the member is:	Wear the uniform:	Comments:
Retired	<p>Any member on the retired list will be entitled to wear the uniform of his/her rank or rating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On occasions of a military ceremony (including retirements, changes of command, or funerals). • At patriotic parades on national holidays, or occasions in which active or reserve units are taking part. • At social or other functions when the invitation has been influenced by the member's active military service, including weddings. 	Prescribed dress uniform at date of retirement, or any of the dress uniforms currently authorized for active duty personnel.
Separated (war service)	<p>Any member who has served honorably in the Coast Guard during time of war (declared or undeclared) may wear the uniform of his/her rank or rating when not in active service, whether or not on the retired list during:</p> <p>(1) Occasions of ceremony (see 14 U.S.C. § 483) and (2) "When authorized by regulations prescribed by the President." (see 10 U.S.C. § 772(e)).</p>	Prescribed dress uniform at date of separation or any of the dress uniforms currently authorized for active duty personnel.

If the member is:	Wear the uniform:	Comments:
Separated (non-war service)	From place of discharge to home, within three months of discharge.	As authorized for active duty personnel, with highest grade authorized at time of separation.
Separated for bad conduct, undesirability, unsuitability, inaptitude, or otherwise less than honorable conditions.	Uniform is surrendered upon discharge. Member is expected to turn in the items in possession. If member does not have a complete seabag, there is no authority to mandate replacement of missing items.	See Reference (b), Military Separations, COMDTINST M1000.4.

1.C. Coast Guard Uniform Board

1.C.1. Uniform Board Composition and Process

The Coast Guard uniform board convenes periodically to evaluate uniform change suggestions and make recommendations to the Commandant. **The Personnel Service Center (PSD-mu)** will convene the board as needed or at the direction of the Commandant. The uniform board evaluates uniform-related suggestions and makes recommendations for final decision at the appropriate level (**PSC (PSD-mu), PSC (PSD), PSC (d), PSC, CG-1, VCG or CCG**) as delegated by the Commandant. The **Personnel Service Center (PSD)** normally serves as the uniform board president, **but may delegate the authority to PSC (PSD-mu)**. The uniform board president will prescreen all suggestions sent to the uniform board and disapprove, dismiss, or present to the board as appropriate.

The uniform board will consist of ad hoc representatives from Commandant staffs of CG-12, CG-7, CG-5, DG-4, DCMS-81, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard, Gender Policy Advisor, each Area, Training Center Cape May, CG Academy or Leadership Development Center, Coast Guard Auxiliary representative, and others, who will be solicited as needed by **PSC (PSD-mu)**. At their discretion, Area Commanders may designate their representative from operational field units. Representatives from the CG Clothing Design and Technical Office (CDTO), the Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), and **Defense Logistics Agency Troop Support (DLA Troop Support)** may serve as non-voting board members in an advisory capacity as directed.

The uniform board will meet when numerous recommendations or complex issues must be addressed. Electronic consultations or teleconferencing between board members will be the preferred method of reviewing a small number of uniform suggestions and to send recommendations to the appropriate levels for final determination.

Final determinations of uniform board recommendations have the force of regulation and will be promulgated as changes to this Manual

Records pertaining to the administration of the Permanent Uniform Board and maintenance of regulations are permanent records and will be maintained and disposed of in accordance with Information and Life Cycle Management manual, COMDTINST M5212.12 (series).

1.C.2. Making Uniform Suggestions

Suggested changes to the Uniform Regulations will be submitted via memorandum through the chain of command and appropriate program manager to **Personnel Service Center (PSD-mu)** using the following format:

- a. Uniform Issue - A brief statement addressing the topic.
- b. Suggestion - A full statement, including costs, describing your suggestion and how it benefits the Coast Guard.
- c. Alternatives - Other satisfactory ways to address the topic.
- d. Enclosures - Drawings, pictures, or graphics, if appropriate, may be included.

Chapter 2 – Appearance and Grooming

2.A. Military Appearance

2.A.1. Military Image

2.A.1.a. Tattoos and Body Alterations

2.A.2. Civilian Clothing Appearance and Standards

2.B. Grooming Standards

2.A. Military Appearance

2.A.1. Military Image

Appearance in uniform is a key element for how the public perceives the men and women of the Coast Guard, and how the Coast Guard men and women honor their country and the service. Coast Guard personnel are responsible for maintaining their personal appearance and their uniforms to reflect the long and proud history and traditions of the Coast Guard. Commands and personnel in leadership positions at every level are responsible to promote and enforce high standards for uniform appearance. Coast Guard personnel must maintain proper military decorum and present themselves with pride. For example, when walking from point to point in uniform, members will not smoke, eat, drink, or keep hands in their pockets. Use of hand-held electronic devices is discouraged, although limited use for official business is authorized. Personnel should consult with their chain of command before considering a tattoo, piercing, or body modification to be sure it is within standards. See reference (c) for details. Guidance for alteration, fitting, and ordering special measurement clothing items is provided in Chapter 6 of this Manual and on the UDC web site at www.uscg.mil/uniforms. The table below describes the standards expected to ensure presentation of the proper military image.

For the authorized military appearance:	Items will be:
Uniforms	Neat, clean, pressed as applicable, proper fit, in good condition, zipped, snapped, and buttoned unless otherwise authorized.
Headgear	Worn outdoors with all required uniforms (See Chap 3). Should not be worn indoors or in no-cover areas unless under arms, or for ceremonial purposes.

For the authorized military appearance:	Items will be:
Footwear	Oxfords, pumps, or flats shined, boots well blackened, edges dressed, all in good condition.
Brass	Polished and scratch free.
Watches	Conservative.
Bracelets	Limited to medical alert or those required for military purposes. POW/MIA/KIA bracelets are authorized. Ankle bracelets are not authorized.
Necklaces	Concealed.
Identification Tags	Optional with any uniform, but must be concealed at all times.
Rings	Maximum of one ring per hand. Engagement/wedding ring or class/wedding ring sets are counted as one ring. Thumb rings are not authorized.
Earrings	One earring per ear centered on the earlobe for women. Earrings will be 4-6mm ball studs (approx. 1/8 – 1/4 inch), natural white pearl (colored pearls not authorized), white diamond, plain gold or silver with a shiny or brushed matte finish settings. Decorative or combination settings not authorized. Earrings are not authorized for men in uniform at any time or when on leave or liberty on a military facility. See reference (c) for more information.
Cuff Links	Plain gold or Coast Guard related.
Shirt Studs	Plain gold or plain natural white pearl. (Colored pearls or decorative settings are not authorized.)
Tie Tack and Tie Bars	Plain gold or adorned with Coast Guard decoration such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miniature Officer's, Chief Petty Officer's or Enlisted insignia • School insignia, only if member is a graduate of SAR, NATON School, etc. • Other Coast Guard representation of Coast Guard boats, ships, or aircraft. The tie bar will be approximately 3/16 inches wide and must not be visible when wearing the Service Dress Blue coat.
Pens and Pencils	Concealed except on ODU where they are carried in slot provided.

For the authorized military appearance:	Items will be:
Cell Phones, Pagers, Handheld or Pocket Electronic Devices	Worn with uniform of the day as required only for military duties or a legitimate urgent need, clipped to waistband behind side seam of shirt or in pocket if they do not detract from uniform appearance. Items are not authorized if participating in ceremonial details.
Music Headphones and Earphones	Not worn while in uniform or with a cover except while commuting as a passenger or using public transportation.
Umbrella	Plain black or navy blue, expandable, straight handle. Must be carried in left hand.
Religious Items	Concealed or worn only during religious services.
Religious Headgear	Black or match the hair color of wearer. Must be of a style and size that it can be completely covered by and not interfere with, the wearing or appearance of any uniform military headgear. It cannot cover any portion of the face or forehead. It cannot interfere with the proper wear or functioning of protective clothing or equipment. It cannot bear any writing, symbols or pictures, including writing or images woven into the fabric or the headgear and it will not be worn in place of uniform military uniform headgear when such uniform headgear is required in accordance with current Coast Guard uniform regulation.
Backpacks, Briefcases, or Gym Bags	<p>Civilian bags (e.g., computer bags/briefcases, gym bags, backpacks, garment bags, etc., this does not include women’s handbags/purses) may be worn with the working and service uniforms in the manner prescribed below:</p> <p>All bags worn with the uniform must conceal its contents and be either solid black or navy blue in color. There will be no personal ornamentation attached on or to the bag.</p> <p>Computer bag/brief case and backpacks: may be worn across the left shoulder of the Tropical Blue or Winter Dress Blue uniform to facilitate saluting. When wearing a bag, the strap must be worn across the left shoulder (fore and aft) with the bag hanging on the same side of the body. The case or bag will not be worn with the strap and bag on the opposite sides of the body (diagonally). Backpacks may also be worn over both shoulders (forward to aft) when wearing the ODU. Will not be worn in any uniform more formal than the Tropical Blue uniform. Must be hand carried only.</p>
Safety Equipment or Protective Gear	Kept in proper working condition and worn only in situations where required due to the specific hazards of the mission or task.

For the authorized military appearance:	Items will be:
Motorcycle Protective Gear	All military motorcycle operators must wear Protective Gear at all times while operating a motorcycle. All gear will be removed immediately upon dismounting the motorcycle.
Tools (Including electronic devices)	Only as required for military duties when wearing ODU and must not interfere with the proper fit of safety and protective gear.
Political, Charitable, or Fund Raising Items	Clothing accessories (pins, buttons, bracelets, banners, or pennants) are not authorized on any military uniform; Campaign clothing, caps, and/or hats are not authorized.
Eyewear	Frame, lens, and contact lens styles will not be so outlandish as to cause distraction from military bearing. Mirrored lenses are prohibited. Retainer straps are authorized for foreign object damage (FOD) prevention and safety only. If retainer straps are required, they will be plain, black or blue and worn snugly against the back of the head.
Security Lanyard and Badge reels	Conservative in appearance; policy set by local command authority. Security reels must be worn above the waist.

2.A.1.a. Tattoos and Body Alterations

For the authorized military appearance:

Reference (c) contains guidance on what is authorized, what is considered excessive, what is unacceptable content, grandfathering existing markings, and personnel forms to document the location of tattoos, body markings, body piercing, and body mutilations.

2.A.2. Civilian Clothing Appearance and Standard

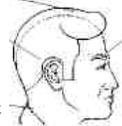
The following table describes the appearance and standards to be adhered to while military members are wearing civilian clothing.

Civilian Clothing	Wear:
<p>While on Liberty</p> <p>Wearing or displaying clothing, jewelry, tattoos, etc. depicting drugs or advocating drug use, or of a sexual, crude, or racist nature is strictly prohibited.</p>	<p>Only the following uniform items which do not present a distinctive Coast Guard appearance may be worn with civilian attire:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trench coat (w/o insignia) • Windbreaker (w/o insignia) • Foul weather parka (w/o insignia) • Sweaters (cardigan or wooly-pully w/o shoulder boards) • Belts • Ball caps (w/o insignia) • Watch cap • Cold weather cap (w/o insignia) • Blue four-in-hand necktie and bow-ties • Shoes and boots • Gloves • White shirts
<p>While on Duty</p>	<p>Law specialists may wear civilian clothing when they appear in courts that prohibit attorneys from wearing the uniform when representing the United States.</p>

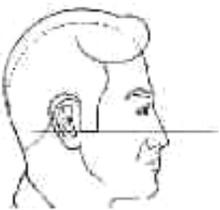
<p>While on Duty</p> <p>Wearing or displaying clothing, jewelry, tattoos, etc. depicting drugs or advocating drug use, or of a sexual, crude, extremist, or racist nature is strictly prohibited.</p>	<p>Marine safety personnel may wear civilian clothing when conducting prevention investigative or inspection duties that require exceptional cooperation of mariners in locations or situations that would inhibit open information sharing with uniformed law enforcement; or where destruction of clothing due to severe wear (even when supplemented with coveralls) make the cost of uniform replacement a hardship.</p> <p>This should not be interpreted as blanket authority to wear civilian clothing all the time. Proper consideration should be given to determine if the wearing of civilian clothing is necessary to meet the needs of the service for any given situation.</p> <p>Special agents may be exempt from image and grooming standards while assigned to investigative duties. Because the standard for haircuts may be conspicuous, special agents may be authorized by competent authority to wear hair and sideburns that are in keeping with local styles and the nature of their duties on a case-by-case basis.</p>
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2.B. Grooming Standards

Grooming standards are based on several elements including neatness, cleanliness, safety, military image, and appearance. Forms of altering an individual’s appearance, such as the use of cosmetics, hair color or styles, colored contact lenses, fingernail color and length, tattoos, body piercing, branding, intentional scarring, etc., that are not in the keeping with the customs, traditions, and spirit of military appearance are not acceptable for Coast Guard personnel in uniform. It is the member’s responsibility to confirm identity with their official ID card. It is impossible to provide examples of every appropriate or unacceptable hairstyle or “conservative” or “eccentric” grooming, therefore the good judgment of leaders at all levels is key to upholding the Coast Guard grooming policy. The Superintendent, Coast Guard Academy; Commanding Officer of Training Center Cape May; and Commander, Telecommunication and Information Systems Command (parent command for Coast Guard Honor Guard) are authorized to establish more restrictive grooming standards for cadets, officer candidates, enlisted recruits, members of the training command’s permanent party, and Honor Guard members. Restrictive grooming standards are not applicable to tenant commands of the units authorized to establish such restrictive standards. The table below describes specific grooming details.

Grooming Item	Policy
<p>Hair – Overall</p>	<p>Must be clean, well groomed, and neat. Hair coloring, if used, must look natural.</p> <p>Must not touch eyebrows when groomed, or extend below front of properly worn headgear.</p> <p>Must not have shaved decorative patterns or sections on the scalp.</p> <p>Must not contain ornamentation other than prescribed in this section for women’s hair style.</p>
<p>Hair – Men’s Style</p> <p>Bulk no more than 1-1/2 inch.</p> <p>Hair does not touch ear.</p>  <p>Hair does not fall below eyebrow.</p> <p>Hair must not touch top of collar.</p>	<p>Hair above the ears and around the neck will be tapered from the lower natural hairline upwards at least ¾-inch and outward not greater than ¾-inch to blend with hairstyle. A totally clean, shaven scalp is authorized.</p> <p>Will not be blocked across the back of the neck. Hair on the back of the neck must not touch the collar. The bulk of hair must not be more than 1-1/2 inches from scalp.</p> <p>Braids or dreadlocks are not authorized. Hair will be no longer than four inches and may not touch the ears, collar, extend below eyebrows when headgear is removed, show under front edge of headgear, or interfere with properly worn military headgear or safety gear.</p>

Grooming Item	Policy
<p data-bbox="235 283 527 315">Hair – Women’s Style</p> <div data-bbox="243 430 738 630"> <p data-bbox="243 451 414 504">Bulk no more than 2 inches</p> <p data-bbox="243 535 414 609">Hair must not fall below bottom edge of collar.</p> <p data-bbox="600 483 738 609">Hair does not fall below eyebrows or headgear when worn.</p> </div>	<p data-bbox="771 283 1485 388">Haircuts and styles will present a balanced appearance. The hair may touch, but not fall below a horizontal line level with the bottom edge of the back of the collar.</p> <p data-bbox="771 430 1485 609">All ponytails and long hair, including braids, must be neatly and inconspicuously fastened, pinned or secured to the head and must not fall below the lower edge of the collar. No portion of the bulk of the hair as measured from the scalp will exceed two inches.</p> <p data-bbox="771 651 1485 756">Braided hairstyles, such as cornrows, are authorized and will be conservative and conform to the guidelines listed herein.</p> <p data-bbox="771 756 1485 945">When a hairstyle of multiple braids is worn, braids will be of uniform dimension, small in diameter and tightly interwoven in symmetrical fore and aft rows that minimize scalp exposure and present a neat, professional, well-groomed appearance.</p> <p data-bbox="771 976 1485 1123">Hairpins (bobby pins), small barrettes, elastic bands, scrunchies, and small combs that are plain black, dark blue, brown, or color similar to the individual’s hair are authorized.</p> <p data-bbox="771 1155 1485 1449">Widely spaced individual hanging locks, dreadlocks, braids, or pigtails that protrude from the head are not authorized. Lopsided and extremely asymmetrical styles are not authorized. Foreign material (e.g., ribbons, beads, decorative items) will not be woven into the hair. Braid ends will not protrude from the head, and will be secured only with inconspicuous material that matches the color of the hair.</p> <p data-bbox="771 1480 1485 1627">Headbands or sweatbands are not authorized. Hair will not extend below the eyebrows. Hair accessories shall not add more than two inches of bulk or interfere with the proper wearing of all style hats.</p>

Grooming Item	Policy
<p>Wigs and hairpieces</p>	<p>If worn, must be of a good quality and fit properly. Must be of a conservative style and conform to the hair standards above. Natural hair under the wig will meet hair standards described above.</p> <p>Will not be worn if it would present a safety or foreign object damage (FOD) hazard.</p>
<p>Moustache</p>  <p>Moustache can't extend below top of upper lip or beyond the corners of mouth</p>	<p>If worn, a moustache must be neatly groomed. For the purpose of uniformity, Ceremonial Honor Guard members, Coast Guard Academy Cadets, Officer Candidates, and Coast Guard Training Center Cape May recruits will be clean-shaven. Will not extend below the top of the upper lip or beyond the corners of the mouth.</p>
<p>Sideburns</p>  <p>Sideburns are tapered to conform with the rest of the hair.</p> <p>Sideburns shall not extend below a point level with the bottom of the ear opening.</p>	<p>Will be of even width (not flared) and will end with a clean-shaven horizontal line. Will be tapered to conform to the rest of the hair. Sideburns will not extend below a point level with the bottom of the ear opening</p>
<p>Beards</p>	<p>Men will be clean-shaven while in uniform. Commanding officers or officers-in-charge will grant permanent shaving waivers for personnel who have received a confirmed diagnosis of Pseudofolliculitis Barbae (PFB) by a medical doctor providing health care for unit personnel. PFB waivers are permanent and do not require renewal upon transfer. If waiver approved, members will not shave any facial hair and facial hair will not exceed ¼ inch in length.</p>
<p>Cosmetics - Women Only</p>	<p>If worn, will be conservative and in good taste. Will not be brightly colored</p>
<p>Fingernails - Men</p>	<p>Will be kept clean. Will not extend past the fingertips or be colored</p>
<p>Fingernails - Women</p>	<p>Will be kept clean. Nail polish may be worn, but will be beige or neutral in color. Will not extend more than ¼ inch beyond the fingertip.</p>

	<p>Brilliant glossy colors, fluorescent colors, green, yellow, blue, black, or decorative nail art are not authorized.</p>
<p>Dental Appliances, Crowns, Caps, or Ornamentation</p>	<p>Will be natural colored or silver for dental necessity when worn on noticeable visible portions of teeth. Uses of ornamental gold crown, caps/veneers, are prohibited when worn on noticeable visible portions of teeth. Platinum crowns, caps, veneers, dental jewelry, designs, initials, or artwork for the purpose of ornamentation are prohibited</p>

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3.A. Uniform Requirements

3.A.1. Required Uniforms

All Coast Guard personnel are responsible for maintaining their uniforms in serviceable condition, and are responsible for procuring sufficient quantities of uniform items and properly maintaining them as appropriate to their assigned duties. All personnel are responsible for owning, wearing, and maintaining sufficient quantities of personal items such as undergarments, socks and stockings, etc. to comply with Coast Guard standards of personal hygiene and appearance.

These uniforms are required:	By:
Dinner Dress Blue Service Dress Blue Full Dress Blue Tropical Blue Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) Trench Coat	All personnel.
Service Dress White Full Dress White	All officers (including reserve officers on ADSW-AC or ADSW-RC for one year or more).
Dinner Dress White Jacket Dinner Dress Blue Jacket (Black Jacket)	O-4 and above on Active Duty Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard and Gold Badge Command Master Chiefs. Optional for all other officers and enlisted members.
Dinner Dress White	O-3 - CWO2
Formal Dress	O-6 and above. Other officers assigned to duty where it would be required by protocol. Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard and Gold Badge Command Master Chiefs. Optional for all other officers and enlisted members E-4 and above.

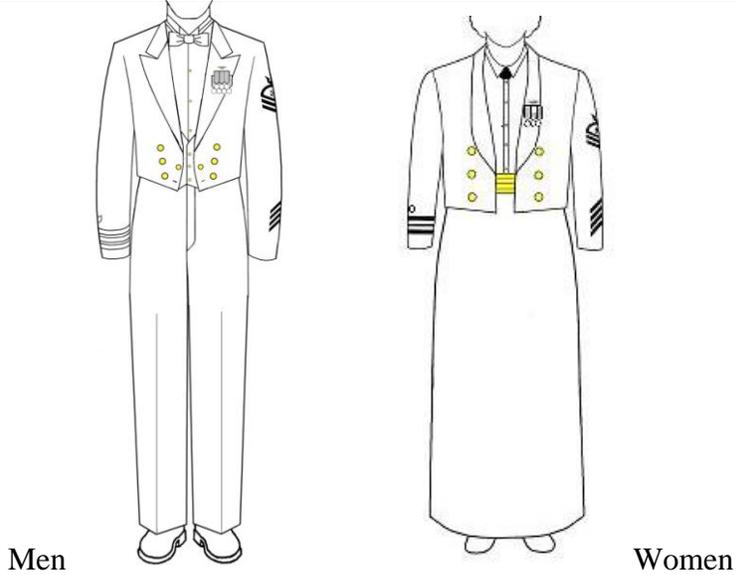
3.A.2. Required Seabag Items

The following items are required for enlisted personnel, E-9 and below.

Required Seabag Uniform (Male)	QTY/Life Exp (YRS)	Required Seabag Uniform (Female)	QTY/Life Exp (YRS)
Ball Cap (standard)	1/1	Ball Cap (standard)	1/1
Bag, Duffel, Nylon, Olive Green	1/12.5	Bag, Duffel, Nylon, Olive Green	1/12.5
Belt, Black, Web	1/4	Belt, Black, Web	1/4
Belt Riggers, Black, Web ODU	1/3	Belt Riggers, Black, Web ODU	1/3
Blousing Band Set, Trouser ODU	2/1	Blousing Band Set, Trouser ODU	2/1
Boots, Safety (Composite Toe)	1/2.5	Boots, Safety (Composite Toe)	1/2.5
Buckle, Belt Brass	1/1	Buckle, Belt Brass	1/1
Cap, Garrison	1/2	Cap, Garrison	1/2
Cap, Ball (standard)	1/1	Cap, Ball (standard)	1/1
Coat, Service Dress Blue	1/8	Coat, Service Dress Blue	1/8
Combination Hat Set	1/4	Combination Hat Set	1/4
Foul Weather Parka II	1/7	Foul Weather Parka II	1/7
ODU Utility Jacket	1/7	ODU Utility jacket	1/7
Gloves, Leather, Black	1/4	Gloves, Leather, Black	1/4
Gym Shirt	4/3	Gym Shirt	4/3
Gym Shorts	4/3	Gym Shorts	4/3
Insignia, Garrison Cap	1/4	Insignia, Garrison Cap	1/4
Insignia, Combination Hat	1/8	Insignia, Combination Hat	1/8
Nametag, Plastic	2/4	Nametag, Plastic	2/4
Name / US Coast Guard tape Set, Blue (ODU)	4 each/3	Name / US Coast Guard tape Set, Blue (ODU)	4 each/3
Necktie, Blue	1/5	Necktie, CG Blue Tab Type	1/5
Necktie, Black Bowtie	1/8	Necktie, Black, Tab Type	1/8
Shield, Gold	1/5	Shield, Gold	1/5
Shirt, Dress White, Long Sleeve	1/6	Shirt, Dress White	1/6
Shirt, Light Blue, Long Sleeve	3/2	Shirt, Light Blue, Long Sleeve	3/2
Shirt, Light Blue, Short Sleeve	3/2	Shirt, Light Blue, Short Sleeve	3/2
Shirt, ODU	4/3	Shirt, ODU	4/3
Shoes, Dress	1/2	Shoes, Dress	1/2
Socks, Boot	3/1	Socks, Boot	3/1
Socks, Dress	3/1	Socks, Dress	3/1
T-Shirt, CG Blue (ODU) (Embroidered)	4/0.5	T-Shirt, CG Blue (ODU) (Embroidered)	4/0.5
T-Shirt, V-neck White	3/1	T-Shirt, V-neck White	3/1
Trench Coat	1/8	Trench Coat	1/8
Trousers, Dress (wash and wear)	1/3	Trousers, Dress (wash and wear)	1/3
Trousers, Dress	1/3	Slacks, Dress	1/3
Trousers, ODU	4/3	Trousers, ODU	4/3
Windbreaker, w/Liner	1/3	Windbreaker, w/Liner	1/3

3.B. Uniforms and Components

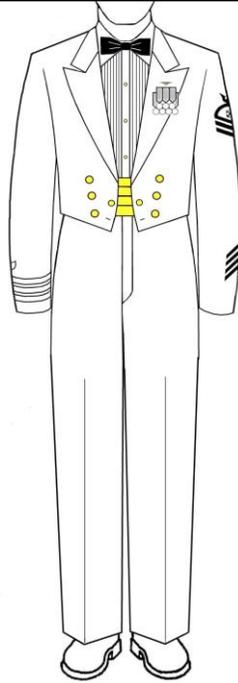
3.B.1. FORMAL DRESS BLUE (EVENING DRESS OR WHITE TIE)



Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Dinner Dress Blue Jacket	This jacket is the Navy Dinner Dress Blue Jacket that is Black in color.
Dress Coat Buttons	Substitute CG buttons for Navy buttons for both men and women.
Blue Evening Trousers	For men.
Blue Formal Skirt/Slacks	For women: skirt or slacks optional.
Formal White Shirt	Men: white pique long sleeve shirt with wing tip collar. Women: soft pleated long sleeve.
Waistcoat	White pique cloth for men only.
Gold Cummerbund	For women only.
Tie	Men: white bow tie. Women: black formal dress necktie.
Small Medals	Men: worn 3" below left lapel notch. Women: 1/3 of distance between shoulder & bottom hem of jacket. With multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest area
Miniature Qualification Insignia, Devices, and Small Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	Worn only when wearing outerwear.
Black or White Suspenders	Optional for men.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords, hosiery with pumps or flats.
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps or Flats	Men: Oxfords. Optional synthetic high-gloss. Women: Flats or pumps are worn with the dress slacks; pumps are mandatory with the formal dress skirt. Optional synthetic

	high-gloss.
Head Gear	Combination cap for men worn only when wearing outerwear.
Occasions for Wear	Worn year around - official evening functions when civilians wear formal white tie and tails such as diplomatic service, ceremonial events, formal wedding. Prescribed for Flag Officers, Captains, MCPOCG, Gold Badge CMCs and personnel assigned to duty where required by protocol.

3.B.2. Dinner Dress Blue Jacket



Men

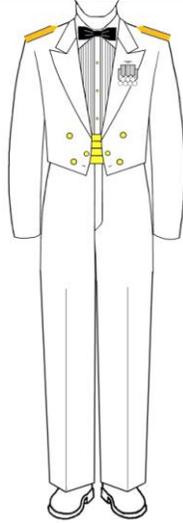


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Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Dinner Dress Blue Jacket	This jacket is the Navy Dinner Dress Blue Jacket that is Black in color.
Dress Coat Buttons	Substitute CG buttons for Navy buttons for both men and women.
Blue Evening Trousers	For men.
Blue Formal Skirt/Slacks	For women: skirt or slacks optional.
White Shirt	Men: soft pleated long sleeve or standard long sleeve optional. Women: soft pleated long sleeve.
Tie	Men: black bow tie. Women: black formal dress necktie.
Gold Cummerbund	Men and women.
Small Medals	Worn 3" below left lapel notch. Women: 1/3 of distance between shoulder & bottom hem of jacket. With Multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest area. Backing shall be affixed through both lapel and jacket.
Miniature Qualification Insignia, Devices, and Small Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	Worn only when wearing outerwear.
Black or White Suspenders	Optional for men.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords, hosiery with pumps or flats.
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps or Flats	Men: Oxfords. Optional synthetic high-gloss. Women: Flats or pumps are worn with the dress slacks; pumps are mandatory with the formal dress skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Head Gear	Combination cap for men worn only when wearing outerwear.
Occasions for Wear	Cold weather - official evening functions when civilians wear black tie with tuxedos and almost any formal event such as formal dances, formal wedding, theater, opera, receptions, etc. Prescribed for O-4 and above, MCPOCG, and Gold Badge CMCs. Optional for O-3 and below.

3.B.3. DINNER DRESS WHITE JACKET



Men



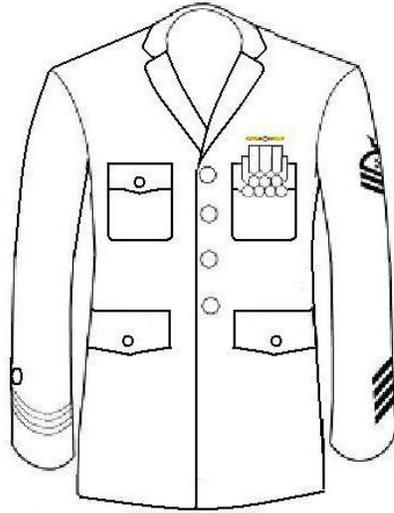
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Note: Gold CG Shield is not worn with shoulder boards. Only enlisted wear

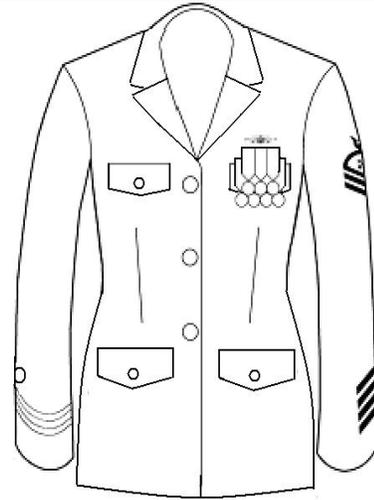
Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Dinner Dress White Jacket	
Dress Coat Buttons	Substitute CG buttons for Navy buttons for both men and women.
Shoulder boards	Hard shoulder boards.
Blue Evening Trousers	For men.
Blue Formal Skirt/Slacks	For women: skirt or slacks optional.
White Shirt	Men: soft pleated long sleeve or standard long sleeve optional. Women: soft pleated long sleeve.
Tie	Men: black bow tie. Women: black formal dress necktie.
Gold Cummerbund	Men and women.
Enlisted Rating Badge and Service Stripes	Navy blue embroidery for E-6 and below on white material is authorized. Gold embroidery for E-7 and above on white material.
Small Medals	Men: worn 3” below left lapel notch. Women: 1/3 of distance between shoulder & bottom hem of jacket. With Multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest..
Miniature Qualification Insignia, Devices and Small Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	Worn only when wearing outerwear.
Black or White Suspenders	Optional for men.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords, hosiery with pumps or flats.

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps or Flats	Men: Oxfords. Optional synthetic high-gloss. Women: Flats or pumps are worn with the dress slacks; pumps are mandatory with the formal dress skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
Head Gear	Combination cap for men worn only when wearing outerwear.
Occasions for Wear	Warm weather - official evening functions when civilians wear black tie with tuxedos and almost any formal event such as formal dances, formal wedding, theater, opera, receptions, etc. Prescribed for O-4 and above, MCPOCG, and Gold Badge CMCs. Optional for O-3 and below.

3.B.4. Dinner Dress Blue



Men



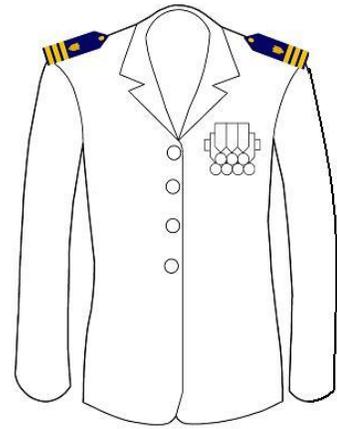
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Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
SDB Coat	
Long Trousers	Blue Dress Trousers
Skirt	Optional for women.
White Shirt	Long or short sleeve.
Shoulder boards/Collar Insignia	None.
Tie	Men: black bow tie. Women: black tab tie.
Small Medals	Worn over left pocket.
Miniature Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Miniature Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Small Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	Not required for E-9 and below. At prescribing officer's discretion for CWO2 and above.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
Belt with Buckle	Standard 1 ¼ inch black web belt with brass buckle. 1 ¼ inch nylon belt is optional.
Head Gear	Combination cap.
Occasions for Wear	Cold weather - Official functions where civilians wear black tie such as dinners, dances, receptions, weddings, ceremonies, etc. (Not as formal as Formal Evening Dress or Dinner Dress Jackets.) All personnel.

3.B.5. Dinner Dress White



Men



Women

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Service Dress White Jacket	
Dress Coat Buttons	Substitute CG buttons for Navy buttons for both men and women.
Shoulder boards	Hard shoulder boards.
Collar Insignia	No collar insignia.
White Trousers	Women's trousers are unbelted with side zipper.
White Skirt (Unbelted)	Optional for women.
White Shirt	Women: long or short sleeve.
Tie	Women: black tab tie.
Small Medals	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Miniature Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Miniature Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Small Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	At prescribing officer's discretion.
White Belt with Brass Buckle	
White Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps or flats for women.
White Oxford Shoes	
White Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional Synthetic high-gloss.
Head Gear	Combination cap.
Occasions for Wear (Officers only)	Warm weather - official functions where civilians wear black tie such as dinners, dances, receptions, weddings, ceremonies, etc. (Not as formal as Formal Evening Dress or Dinner Dress Jackets.) Prescribed for O-3 and below.

3.B.6. Full Dress Blue



Men



Women

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
SDB Coat	
Long Trousers	Blue Dress Trousers (Men or women).
Skirt	Optional for women if no sword worn.
White Shirt	Long or short sleeve.
Collar Insignia/Shoulder-boards	None.
Tie	Men: Blue four-in-hand tie. Women: Blue tab tie.
Large Medals	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Ribbons w/o Corresponding Medals	Worn over wearer's right pocket.
Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	Not required for E-9 and below. At prescribing officer's discretion for CWO2 and above.
Sword	Worn with sword belt. Women must wear trousers when sword is worn. Senior officer may prescribe certain individuals to not wear sword if considered inappropriate or undesirable.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
Black Oxford Shoes	Optional Synthetic high gloss.
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
Belt with Buckle	Standard 1 ¼ inch black web belt with brass buckle. 1 ¼ inch nylon belt is optional.
Head Gear	Combination cap.
Occasions for Wear	Worn year-round when assuming or relinquishing command, participating in change of command ceremonies, official visits with honors, occasions of state, ceremonies, weddings, solemnities. All personnel.
Worn Year-Round	

3.B.7. Full Dress White



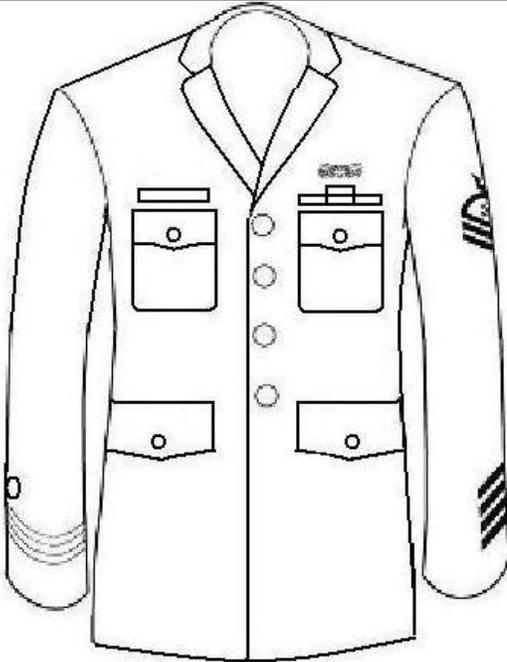
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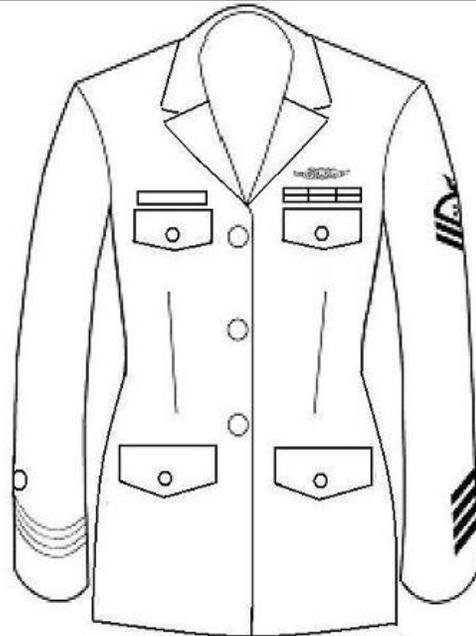
Women

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
SDW Jacket	
White Trousers	Women's trousers are unbelted with side zipper.
White Skirt (Unbelted)	Optional for women.
White Shirt	Women: long or short sleeve.
Shoulder-boards	Hard shoulder boards.
Collar Insignia	No collar insignia.
Tie	Women: blue tab tie.
Large Medals	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Ribbons w/o Corresponding Medals	Worn over wearer's right pocket.
Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	At describing officer's discretion.
Sword	Worn with sword belt. Women must wear trousers when sword is worn. Senior officer may prescribe certain individuals to not wear sword if considered inappropriate or undesirable.
White Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
White Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt.
White Belt with Brass Buckle	
Head Gear	Combination cap.
Occasions for Wear	Warm weather - official uniform when assuming or relinquishing command participating in Change of Command ceremonies, official visits with honors, occasions of state, ceremonies, weddings, and solemnities. All officers.

3.B.8. Service Dress Blue



Men



Women

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
SDB Coat	
Long Trousers	Blue Dress Trousers (Men or women).
Skirt	Optional for women.
Light Blue Shirt	Long or short sleeve.
Collar Insignia	Enlisted only. Worn on Light Blue Shirt. See 3.D.2.a.
Shoulder Boards	Worn on Light Blue shirt.
Tie	Men: Blue four-in-hand tie. Women: blue tab tie.
Nametag	Worn over wearer's right pocket.
Ribbons	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
Black Oxford Shoes	Optional Synthetic high gloss.
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
Belt with Buckle	Standard 1 ¼ inch black web belt with brass buckle. 1 ¼ inch nylon belt is optional.
Head Gear	Combination cap. Garrison cap is not Authorized.
Occasions for Wear	Worn year-round by all personnel for all business and social occasions where civilian equivalent is coat and tie.

3.B.9. Service Dress White



Men



Women

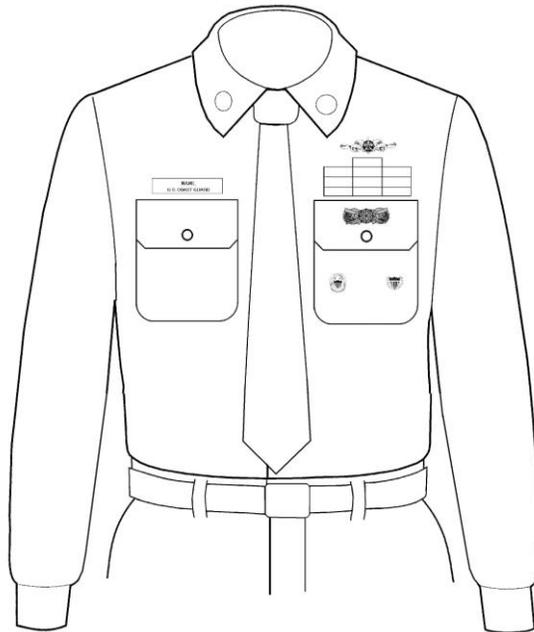
Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
SDW Jacket	
White Trousers	Women's trousers are unbelted with side zipper.
White Skirt (Unbelted)	Optional for women.
White Shirt	Women: long or short sleeve.
Shoulder-boards	Hard shoulder boards.
Collar Insignia	No collar insignia.
Tie	Women: blue tab tie.
Nametag	Worn over wearer's right pocket.
Ribbons	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Miniature Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Full-Size Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
White Gloves	At prescribing officer's discretion.
White Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
White Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
White Belt with Brass Buckle	
Head Gear	Combination cap.
Occasions for Wear	Warm weather - official, business, social functions and ceremonies when senior officer wishes to pay special honor to the occasion, parades, reviews, evening socials.

3.B.10. Tropical Blue



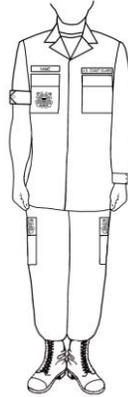
Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Light Blue Shirt	Short sleeve.
Long Trousers	Blue Dress Trousers
Skirt	Optional for women.
Shoulder boards or Collar Insignia	
Nametag	Worn over wearer's right pocket.
Ribbons	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Miniature Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
Black Oxford Shoes	Optional Synthetic high gloss.
Black Oxford Shoe, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
Belt with Buckle	Standard 1 ¼ inch black web belt with brass buckle. 1 ¼ inch nylon belt is optional
Head Gear	Combination cap, Garrison cap. Ball caps are not authorized.
Occasions for Wear	Worn year-round at all occasions where coat and tie are not required or expected.
Wear Year Round	

3.B.11. Winter Dress Blue



Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
Dark Blue Dress Shirt	Long sleeve.
Long Trousers	Blue Dress Trousers
Skirt	Optional for women.
Collar Insignia	Required.
Tie	Blue four-in-hand for men and women.
Nametag	Worn over wearer's right pocket.
Ribbons	Worn over wearer's left pocket.
Qualification Insignia	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Miniature Size Devices	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Identification Badges	See section 3.E.4 for proper wear instructions.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords for men or women. Hosiery may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats for women.
Black Oxford Shoes	Optional Synthetic high gloss.
Black Oxford Shoes, Pumps, or Flats	Oxfords, pumps, or flats are worn with the trousers; pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Optional synthetic high-gloss.
Belt with Buckle	Standard 1 ¼ inch black web with brass buckle. 1 ¼ nylon belt is optional.
Head Gear	Combination cap or Garrison cap. Ball caps are not authorized.
Occasions for Wear Authorized from 1 Nov to 31 Mar.	Optional uniform worn in lieu of Service Dress Blue. May not be worn to functions that civilians would wear coat and tie. Optional for all personnel.

3.B.12. Untucked Operational Dress Uniform (UODU)



Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments This uniform
ODU Shirt (untucked)	Sleeves rolled up (accordion style, with only the cuff showing) or down. Military creases are not authorized. Pockets, lapels, and sleeves will lay flat. The hem of the untucked shirt will cover buttocks, with an allowable tolerance of one inch above or below the bottom of the buttocks.
ODU Trousers (untucked)	Bloused with safety boots, straight with oxfords or deck shoes when authorized. Blousing bands are optional; if not used, trousers can be tucked into boot, and then adjusted to appear bloused. Pockets will lay flat.
CG Blue Crew Neck T-Shirt	Worn under UODU Top.
Collar Insignia	Sew-on cloth insignia are required.
Nametape	Cloth nametape is sewn above right pocket and must not be shorter than or extended beyond the width of the UODU breast pocket. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized.
USCG ID Tape	Cloth tape with "U. S. Coast Guard" is sewn above left pocket and must not be shorter than or extended beyond the width of the UODU breast pocket. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized.
Qualification Insignia	Only one embroidered insignia is authorized. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized. Embroidered insignia will be the same size as the metal insignia, and must not be shorter than or extended beyond the width of the ODU breast pocket. Temporary insignia are not authorized.
Miniature Devices	Only embroidered device authorized; only for incumbent COs and OICs. Metal devices are not authorized.
Identification Badge	Only MCPOCG, MCPO-RF, Command Master Chief/Senior Chief/Chief, and Rating Force Master Chiefs are authorized to wear a single, current assignment badge on the UODU.

Black or Dark Blue Socks	
Safety Boots	Eight-Ten inch well blackened composite toe safety boots. Dark brown deck shoes can be prescribed by program managers for boat crews in specific cases, and oxfords for medical reasons only.
Belt	Basic Riggers Belt (NSN: 8415-01-526-5551). The optional cotton belt with subdued buckle is authorized until 1 July 2012.
Head Gear	Standard or Unit Ball cap, Cold Weather cap, or Watch cap as weather dictates. See section 3.C.1.
Occasions for Wear	Worn Year-Round - appropriate while visiting other DOD agencies when the ODU is the comparable uniform to what is being worn. ODUs are allowed for wear while traveling on TDY (on commercial – air, bus, train, etc.) with the standard ball cap. It is not a liberty uniform.

3.B.13. Operational Dress Uniform (ODU)

This uniform will no longer be authorized after 1 July 2012!

Authorized Uniform Items	Additional Comments
ODU Shirt (tucked)	Sleeves rolled up (accordion style, with only the cuff showing) or down. Military creases are not authorized. Pockets, lapels, and sleeves will lay flat.
ODU Trousers (tucked)	Bloused with safety boots, straight with oxfords or deck shoes when authorized. Blousing bands are optional; if not used, trousers can be tucked into boot, and then adjusted to appear bloused. Pockets will lay flat.
CG Blue Crew Neck T-Shirt	Worn under ODU Top with long ODU trousers.
Collar Insignia	Sew-on cloth insignia are required.
Nametape	Cloth nametape is sewn above right pocket and must not be shorter than or extended beyond the width of the ODU breast pocket. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized.
USCG ID Tape	Cloth tape with "U. S. Coast Guard" is sewn above left pocket and must not be shorter than or extended beyond the width of the ODU breast pocket. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized.
Qualification Insignia	Only one embroidered insignia is authorized. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized. Embroidered insignia will be the same size as the metal insignia, and must not be shorter than or extended beyond the width of the ODU breast pocket. Temporary insignia are not authorized.
Miniature Devices	Only embroidered device authorized; only for incumbent COs and OICs. Metal devices are not authorized.
Identification Badge	Only MCPOCG, MCPO-RF, Command Master Chief/Senior Chief/Chief, and Rating Force Master Chiefs are authorized to wear a single, current assignment badge on the ODU.
Black or Dark Blue Socks	

Safety Boots	Eight-Ten inch well blackened composite toe safety boots. Dark brown deck shoes can be prescribed by program managers for boat crews, and oxfords in specific cases for medical reasons only.
Belt	Basic Riggers Belt (NSN: 8415-01-526-5551). The optional cotton belt with subdued buckle is authorized until 1 July 2012.
Head Gear	Standard or Unit Ball cap, cold weather cap, or watch cap as weather dictates. See section 3.C.1.
Occasions for Wear	Worn Year-Round - appropriate while visiting other DOD agencies when the ODU is the comparable uniform to what is being worn. ODUs are allowed for wear while traveling on TDY (on commercial – air, bus, train, etc.) with the standard ball cap. It is not a liberty uniform.

3.C. Individual Uniform Items

3.C.1. Headgear

Personnel will wear headgear (be covered) when outdoors and during ceremonies held indoors when appropriate. Headgear will be worn squarely on the head, bottom edge horizontal. Hair will not be visible below the front brim or visor. Personnel visiting other military organizations will follow the customs for that organization. Personnel may remove their headgear when traveling inside any enclosed vehicle either on or off any Coast Guard facility. Wearing headgear while in an enclosed vehicle may be appropriate during ceremonial occasions or may be required by the local regulations of other military services while on board their facilities. See the illustrations later in this chapter for the proper configurations of Coast Guard headgear.

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>COMBINATION CAPS</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p><u>Men</u> A military cap with a black visor; rigid standing front; flaring; circular rim, and a blue cap band and mount for attaching the large cap insignia.</p> <p><u>Combination Cap Chin Straps</u> For all officers, chinstraps are 1/2 inch wide, faced with gold lace. For enlisted men the chinstraps are made of black patent leather or plastic, 1/2 inch wide with the chinstrap grommet positioned to the wearer's left.</p> <p><u>Combination Cap Visor</u></p> <p><u>Ornamentation</u> For Flag Officers, the visor is covered in two rows of gold acorns and oak leaves along the entire width of the visor. For captains and commanders, the visor is covered in one row of gold acorns and oak leaves along the front. Felt style visor is authorized for Officers with Acorns and Oak leafs.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All Uniforms (Except ODU) <p><u>Standard Covers</u> Standard Covers are detachable plain white cloth or vinyl covers worn on all Combination Caps over the crown framework in a smooth and wrinkle free manner.</p> <p><u>Rain Covers</u> Rain Covers are clear plastic with an elasticized bottom edge, and are optional for wear over the entire Combination Cap to protect it from water damage.</p>

	<p><u>Women</u> Consists of a stiffened oval crown with detachable white cover, a blue cap band that is 1-¼ inches wide with integral mount for insignia, and a blue brim. The brim is rolled at the sides and flat in the front and back. Two blue streamers are attached to the band at the back.</p> <p><u>Combination Cap Visor</u></p> <p><u>Ornamentation</u> Flag Officers wear a double row of oak leaves and acorns on the hatband. For Captains and Commanders, the hatband has one row of gold oak leaves and acorns.</p>	
<p>GARRISON CAP</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Table 3.D for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>A fore and aft style cap made of Coast Guard Blue serge fabric . Men and women wear the same style garrison cap. When cap is not worn, it is carried under the belt on the right side of the body with the Coast Guard insignia facing outward.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ Winter Dress Blue

<p>STANDARD BALL CAP</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Table 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>This cap is made of the same Coast Guard blue material as the ODU with a rear hook and loop adjusting tab. Cap will have U. S. COAST GUARD embroidered in an arch across the front of the cap face in 1/2-inch gold “Block Caps”. The lettering will be placed on the hat to allow proper placement of the required rank insignia or CG device.</p> <p>Gold acorns and oak leaves (i.e. “Scrambled Eggs”) are no longer authorized.</p> <p>It should only be purchased from the UDC or CG Exchange systems.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform <p>May be worn with civilian wear only with rank insignia removed.</p> <p><u>Removal of Rank Insignia</u> Commanding officers may temporarily require the removal of rank insignia from ball caps if warranted by local circumstances.</p>
<p>UNIT BALL CAP</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Table 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>This cap is made of the same Coast Guard blue material as the ODU with a rear hook and loop adjusting tab. Cap will have U. S. COAST GUARD embroidered in an arch across the front of the cap face in 1/2-inch gold “Block Caps”. The lettering will be placed on the hat to allow proper placement of the required rank insignia or CG device. Unit lettering will be 1/2 inch gold “Block Caps” embroidered 1/2 inch above and parallel to the visor, no more than 17 characters are authorized. The standards of Purchase Description 11-131B shall be adhered to!</p> <p>Gold acorns and oak leaves (i.e. “Scrambled Eggs”) are no longer authorized.</p> <p>It should be purchased from the</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform <p>May be worn with civilian wear only with rank insignia removed.</p> <p><u>Removal of Rank Insignia</u> Commanding officers may temporarily require the removal of rank insignia from ball caps if warranted by local circumstances.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> The Unit Ball Cap is only authorized to be worn in the members AOR if approved by the proper command and extends to their duty area-including co-located units or extended duty (cutter tie up at USCG ports). They are NOT allowed while on TDY.</p> <p>This cap is not a seabag item and cannot be mandated for wear</p>

	UDC or CG Exchange systems only.	onboard units. CG funds will not be used to purchase Unit Ball Caps.
COLD WEATHER CAP	This hat is an optional item for inclement cold weather use only. It consists of ear and neck flaps, and straps with covered metal snap fasteners worn under the chin or over the top of the hat.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ Winter Dress Blue ◆ Operational Dress Uniform
KNIT WATCH CAP <u>Insignia</u> Not Worn	The knit watch cap is the approved Navy bell shaped, rib knit, pullover style design or commercial equivalent of knitted navy blue yarn. The watch cap is rolled enough times to rest just above the ears. In inclement weather, it may be rolled down enough to cover the ears. It may not be pulled straight down like a skull cap.	<u>Wear With</u> (under operational working conditions only) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform ◆ Coveralls

<p>RELIGIOUS HEADGEAR AND APPAREL</p>	<p>Headgear must be black or match the hair color of wearer. Must be of a style and size that it can be completely covered by and not interfere with, the wearing or appearance of any uniform military headgear, whether or not the uniform headgear is being worn. It cannot cover any portion of the face or forehead. It cannot interfere with the proper wear or functioning of protective clothing or equipment. It cannot bear any writing, symbols or pictures, including writing or images woven into the fabric or the headgear and it will not be worn in place of uniform military uniform headgear when such uniform headgear is required in accordance with current Coast Guard uniform regulation.</p> <p>Coast Guard members may wear religious apparel while in uniform, provided that the religious apparel, other than the religious headgear, is not visible, that the wearing of such religious apparel does not interfere with the member's performance of duty, and does not interfere with the fit of any article of the uniform or the member's appearance in uniform. The member may be asked to provide objective and verifiable information describing the relationship between the article of religious apparel and the doctrinal or traditional observance of the religious faith practiced by the member.</p> <p>When the relationship between any article of religious apparel and the doctrinal or traditional observance of the religious faith of the member is not clearly established it will be referred to PSC (PSD-mu), via the chain of command for final resolution.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All Uniforms
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3.C.2. Undergarments

Undergarments must be worn to preserve the dignity and appearance of the uniform. Undershirts are required for men. Women are authorized the optional wear of an undershirt over the required brassiere. All personnel will wear undergarments of such color and style as to minimize showing through outer clothing. Plain white cotton or cotton/polyester blend undershirts with quarter length sleeves and a V-neck are required for wear with all open-collar uniforms except the Operational Dress Uniform.

When wearing light colored uniforms, undergarments must not detract from the professional appearance of the uniform. When wearing white trousers, men will wear a white boxer style or waist high briefs and women will wear waist high briefs or panties. Thongs or bikini underwear are not authorized with white trousers.

In cold weather, insulated Navy blue undershirts may be worn with the ODU top only with the sleeves rolled down.

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>Dark Blue Crew Neck T-shirt.</p>	<p>A short sleeve cotton/polyester-blend T-shirt, USCG dark blue with a crew neck and the words U. S. COAST GUARD embroidered across the left front chest in 3/4-inch white block letters.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform <p>Notes: It shall remain tucked in at all times.</p> <p>Unit T-Shirts are not authorized for wear with CG uniforms.</p>

3.C.3. Shirts

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM (ODU) TOP</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>The ODU top is a Coast Guard blue variation of the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU). It has two flap closure pockets on each side of the chest and a flap covering the buttons. It is worn tucked into the trousers. Sleeves may be worn long or rolled neatly and evenly to the width of the cuff to the mid bicep portion of the upper arm. Sleeves are rolled accordion fashion, so as to leave the outer cuff and button showing on the surface of the roll. To fold sleeves: start by folding cuff over itself creating a neat fold up to the armpit. Then fold the sleeve up again, leaving about 3” of the first fold exposed. Finally, pull the cuff back down over the entire fold. This results in a 3” cuff about 2” above the elbow. Folds will vary based on the size and length of the arm.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ ODU (tucked) <p>The ODU (tucked) is not authorized after 1 July 2012.</p>
<p>UNTUCKED OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM (ODU) TOP</p>	<p>Described same as above but with Coast Guard Shield on wearer’s right breast pocket. The hem of the untucked shirt will cover buttocks, with an allowable tolerance of one inch above or below the bottom of the buttocks. Note: For most people, the bottom hem of the shirt will extend to approximately the top of the cargo pocket on the ODU trousers.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ ODU (untucked) <p><u>Note:</u> During high heat conditions, either outdoors or indoors, the temporary removal of the ODU top is authorized for heat stress relief. This is a temporary solution for the period that personnel are working in the hot climate. It cannot be prescribed as the uniform of the day and is not authorized for wear outside the workspace. The standard embroidered Coast Guard Dark Blue Crew</p>

		<p>Neck T-shirt as listed in 3.C.2 must be worn and tucked in at all times.</p> <p>Unit T-Shirts are not authorized for wear with CG uniforms.</p>
<p>FEMALE AIR FORCE OVERBLOUSE</p> <p>Rank, Insignia, Name Tag, Ribbons and Badges are worn in same manner as the Tropical Blue.</p>	<p>The short sleeve shirt has a fly front covering the six or seven button closure (right over left), a soft stand-up collar with stays, two button cuff closure (on long sleeve shirt), shoulder epaulets, a pleated patch pocket with button flap closure on each front panel.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Tropical Blue
<p>LIGHT BLUE SHIRT</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p><u>MEN</u> The short and long sleeve shirt has a six or seven button front closure, a soft stand-up collar with stays, two-button cuff closure (on long sleeve shirt), shoulder epaulets, and one patch pocket with flap and button closure on each side of the shirtfront.</p> <p>Women The short and long sleeve shirt has a fly front covering the six or seven button closure (right over left), a soft stand-up collar with stays, two button cuff closure (on long sleeve shirt), shoulder epaulets, a pleated patch pocket with button flap closure on each front panel.</p>	<p><u>Wear with</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue <p><u>Shirt Material and Color</u> The men and women’s shirts are made of the same material and color as the Air force light blue shirts.</p> <p><u>Military Creases</u> Optional.</p>

<p>WINTER DRESS BLUE SHIRT</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p> <p>(Optional)</p>	<p>The Winter Dress Blue shirt is a button front shirt of Coast Guard Blue material closely matching the CG Service Dress Blue trousers. The shirt has a stand-up collar with stays, long sleeves with two button cuff closure to adjust sleeve fit, and one patch pocket with flap and button closure on each side of the shirt front.</p> <p>Shirts purchased from the UDC with the permanent silicone creases are authorized. Addition of permanent creases are not authorized to other versions of the Winter Dress Blue shirt.</p>	<p><u>Wear with</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue Trousers ◆ Service Dress Blue Skirt <p><u>Military Creases</u> Optional.</p>
<p>WHITE DRESS SHIRT</p>	<p><u>Men</u> A plain conventional designed long sleeved shirt, buttoning down the front with minimum of six buttons and a stand up collar. The shirt may have one or two button cuffs.</p> <p><u>Women</u> A plain conventional designed short sleeved shirt, buttoning down the front with a minimum of six buttons and a stand up collar.</p>	<p><u>Men wear with</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Optional with Dinner Dress Blue Jacket or White Jacket Uniforms ◆ Full Dress Blue <p><u>Women wear with</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress White ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Full Dress White ◆ Service Dress White
<p>PLEATED WHITE SHIRT</p>	<p>A soft fronted shirt with 6 to 7 pearl colored buttons and small pleats down the front. Plain gold or natural white pearl studs and gold or Coast Guard related cuff links are authorized. Colored pearl or decorative settings on studs or cuff links are <u>not</u> authorized.</p> <p>Pockets are authorized on the shirtfront but are not required.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Jacket Uniforms ◆ Formal Dress Blue (Women only)

Item	Description	Related Information
FORMAL WHITE SHIRT	<p>A stiff-bosomed plain or pique white dress shirt without pleats with a wing collar. Plain gold or natural white pearl studs and gold or Coast Guard related cuff links are authorized. Colored pearl or decorated settings on studs or cuff links are not authorized.</p> <p>For women only: The old style formal white shirt with a ruffled front may be worn as an optional item until no longer serviceable.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ <u>Formal Dress Blue Uniform</u>

3.C.4. Neckties

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>BLUE STANDARD FOUR-IN- HAND NECKTIE</p>	<p>The standard necktie is a CG blue, four-in-hand style necktie not exceeding three inches in width of either hand tied or clip on type.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Winter Dress Blue (Men & Women) <p>The standard necktie may have a Windsor, double Windsor, or a four-in-hand knot. A tie tack or tie clasp may be worn.</p>
<p>BLACK OR WHITE BOW TIES (Men only)</p>	<p>The black or white bow ties are of a plain style with squared ends. Bow ties may be hand tied or a clip on type, approximately 4 ½ inches wide.</p>	<p><u>Wear Black Bow Ties With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress Blue <p><u>Wear White Bow Ties With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue Uniform
<p>CG BLUE OVERLAPPING TAB TIE (Women only)</p>	<p>The tab tie is Coast Guard blue. The front portion of the necktie is comprised of two tabs joined together and overlapping to form a V-shaped opening at the shirt collar.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Full Dress White ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress White <p><u>Manner of Wear</u> The tie is fastened at the back of the neck under the shirt collar. The outer edges should be parallel to the outer edges of the collar. An equal amount of the overlapping tabs should show on each side of the collar.</p>
<p>BLACK TAB TIES (Women only)</p>	<p>The black tab tie is the same design as the women's CG blue tab tie.</p> <p>The Navy's old style black bow tie (pre-tied) is an authorized option to the black tab tie.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress White <p><u>Manner of Wear</u> Same as CG Tab Tie.</p>

<p>BLACK FORMAL DRESS NECKTIE (Women only)</p>	<p>The black formal dress necktie consists of a small crescent-shaped black velvet ribbon. When the formal shirt is bought from the Navy Exchange System, the tie that is included with the shirt is an authorized tie.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue Uniform ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket <p><u>Manner of Wear</u> Wear under the collar with the front slightly above the top of the shirt.</p>
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3.C.5. Dress Coats and Jackets

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>SERVICE DRESS BLUE COAT</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p><u>Men</u> A single-breasted coat with notched lapels and a roll collar. It is semi-fitted and of conventional length. The coat will have four patch pockets with flap closures; one on each breast and hip. Each pocket flap has a 22-1/2-ligne Coast Guard gilt button attached. The coat fastens with four 35-ligne Coast Guard gilt buttons down the right fore part.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress Blue <p><u>Manner of Wear</u> When wearing a Service Dress Blue Coat, Service Dress Blue Trousers or Skirt of matching material and closely matching color must be worn. Officers' coats will have a sword slit over the left hip.</p> <p>The Service Dress Coat may be removed in an office environment. In this case, only shoulder boards or collar insignia and a tie are required on the light blue shirt. The SDB coat must be readily available.</p>
<p>SERVICE DRESS BLUE COAT</p>	<p><u>Women</u> A single-breasted coat, semi-fitted, square bottomed front with a notched lapel, side body panels, and a two-piece back. It has two top pocket flaps, one on each front panel for alignment of ribbons and nametag and two set-in lower pockets with flaps. Each flap has a 23-ligne CG gold button. The coat fastens with three 28-ligne Coast Guard gold buttons.</p>	<p>Note: The old style women's coat with two short, side body belts, secured by gold buttons at the waistline, may be worn until no longer serviceable.</p>

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>SERVICE DRESS WHITE COAT (Officers Only)</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p><u>Men</u> The coat is single breasted, formfitting, of a conventional length with a stand-up collar. The coat has a patch pocket with flap closure on each breast. Each flap closure has a 22 ½ -ligne CG gold button attached. The coat fastens with five 35-ligne detachable CG gold buttons on the right forepart.</p> <p><u>Women</u> The coat is single breasted, formfitting, of a conventional length. The collar is rounded with overlying half peaked lapels. The coat has one welt left breast pocket. The coat fastens with four 35-ligne CG gold buttons.</p>	<p>Wear With</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress White ◆ Full Dress White ◆ Service Dress White <p>Coats will have a sword slit over the left hip.</p> <p>Women may wear the previous style coat with two breast pocket flaps as long as the coat remains serviceable.</p>

<p>DINNER DRESS BLUE JACKET</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p><u>Men</u> The jacket is a semi- peaked jacket with narrow lapels and the back tapered to a point, made from authorized navy blue (black) fabric. There will be three 35- ligne Coast Guard gilt buttons down each forepart and is secured with two 28-ligne CG gold buttons with a link chain closure.</p> <p><u>Women</u> The jacket is bolero style and has a narrow shawl collar. There are three 22-1/2-ligne CG gold buttons down each side of the front, without front closure. Two 28-ligne CG gold buttons with a link chain closure is optional.</p>	<p>Wear With</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue Uniform ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket <p>Older versions are closed by buttons placed inside each front facing secured with an elastic double loop closure.</p>
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Item	Description	Related Information
<p>DINNER DRESS WHITE JACKET</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p><u>Men</u> The jacket is semi-peaked with narrow lapels with the back tapered to a point, and loops for shoulder boards. There are two 35-ligne CG gold buttons down each side of the front, with a front closure held together by two 28-ligne CG gold buttons with a link approximately 3/4 inch long.</p> <p><u>Women</u> The jacket is bolero style and has a narrow shawl collar. There are three 22-1/2-ligne CG gold buttons down each side of the front, without front closure. Women are authorized to add to the Dinner Dress White Jacket a closure device identical to that used on the men's Dinner Dress Blue Jacket. The buttons for the device will be attached to the inside of each front jacket flap and located so as to allow for even closure of the jacket.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket

3.C.6. Skirts

For women, Service Dress skirts and trousers are equivalent items that may be worn interchangeably. An individual Coast Guard woman may choose to wear either the skirt or trousers at her option, except for special occasions where either the trousers are specifically prescribed.

Women who are participants in official military formations (such as changes of command, award, or other ceremonies) that may require long periods of standing in place will wear trousers. Trousers will be worn if a sword is worn.

To facilitate personal safety, women will not normally wear skirts, on military ships, cutters, boats, or aircraft. However, skirts may be authorized during special occasions, such as receptions and open houses, when it would not pose a safety concern, violate rules of decorum, or would not cause embarrassment to the wearer.

Item	Description	Related Information
SERVICE DRESS BLUE SKIRT (Optional)	<p>The Service Dress Blue skirt is a Coast Guard blue straight style, one panel front with four pleats (two on each side) and quarter top pockets, two panel back with two darts on each panel, and a kick pleat at the bottom of the back. It has a waistband with a button and buttonhole; slide fastener closure at center back. It is fully lined with a slit at the kick pleat opening.</p> <p>When worn, black pumps are mandatory.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ Winter Dress Blue <p>Fabrics are the same as described for Service Dress Blue trousers</p> <p><u>Skirt Length</u></p> <p>The skirt will have a 2 to 3 inch hem parallel to the floor. The hemline may fall between the crease in the back of the knee to 3 inches below the crease.</p> <p>Air Force skirt is not authorized.</p>
SERVICE DRESS WHITE SKIRT, UNBELTED (Officers Only)	<p>The White Dress skirt is a plain six-gored skirt of conventional sweep with a waistband with no belt loops and a pocket on the upper right front. The skirt will be the same material and color as that of the dress coat.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White ◆ Full Dress White ◆ Service Dress White <p><u>Skirt Length</u></p>

	<p>When worn, white pumps are mandatory.</p>	<p>The skirt will have a 2 to 3 inch hem parallel to the floor. The hemline may fall between the creases in the back of the knee to 3 inches below the crease.</p>
<p>BLUE FORMAL SKIRT</p>	<p>The Formal Skirt is navy blue (black) plain six gored, floor length, and made of the same material as the jacket. It may have an optional slit at both side seams reaching no higher than mid-calf.</p> <p>When worn, black pumps are mandatory.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket <p><u>Skirt Length</u></p> <p>The skirt will have a 2 to 3 inch hem parallel to the floor. The hemline will be floor length (no more than 1 to 1 ½ inches off the floor).</p>

3.C.7. Trousers

Item	Description	Related Information
OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM (ODU) TROUSERS	ODU trousers are a CG blue variation of the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU). They have two hip pockets, two back pockets with flaps, and two expandable cargo pockets with flaps. Trouser waist is adjustable. They are bloused between the second and third eyelets from the top when worn with high-topped (8 - 10 inch high) black safety-toe boots. Elasticized or Velcro™ type blousing bands will be used. Blousing bands should not be visible. Blousing bands are optional; if not used, trousers can be tucked into boot and then adjusted to appear bloused. May be worn straight leg fashion when low- topped shoes or boat shoes are required.	<u>Wear With</u> ♦ ODU (tucked) The ODU (tucked) is not authorized after 1 July 2012.
OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM (ODU) UNTUCKED VERSION	Described same as above but with Coast Guard shield on both cargo pocket flaps.	<u>Wear With</u> ♦ ODU (untucked)

<p>SERVICE DRESS TROUSERS</p>	<p>The standard SDB trousers are made from medium-weight polyester/wool blend serge weave fabric. Other trousers may be made from tropical weight polyester/wool blend fabric, heavyweight all wool fabric, or wash and wear fabric that is approved for Coast Guard wear.</p> <p>When the Service Dress Blue coat and Service Dress Blue trousers are worn together, both must be of the same material.</p> <p><u>Men</u> Service Dress Blue trousers will be of a conventional plain dress trouser design in Coast Guard blue with a zipper front closure, belt loops, two diagonal inset front pockets, two inset rear pockets, and no cuffs.</p> <p><u>Women</u> Service Dress Blue trousers will be made of the same material and color as the dress coat. They will have two pleats on each front panel and two darts on each back panel, quarter top pockets on each front, a slide fastener fly front (right over left) with a hook and eye waistband closure, five belt loops, and straight legs.</p> <p>Women are authorized to wear the men's Service Dress Blue trousers.</p> <p>Air Force trousers are not authorized for men or women.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ Winter Dress Blue
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<p>SERVICE DRESS WHITE TROUSERS (Officers only)</p>	<p><u>Men</u> The White Dress trousers are of a conventional design and of the same material and color as the Service Dress White coat.</p> <p><u>Women</u> The unbelted trousers are the same material and color as the Service Dress White Coat with a left side zipper and a waistband pocket in the upper right front.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress White ◆ Full Dress White ◆ Service Dress White
<p>BLUE EVENING DRESS TROUSERS</p>	<p><u>Men</u> The Blue Evening Dress trousers will be navy blue (black), with high waist, of plain design, and without back pockets.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket

3.C.8. Belts and Belt Buckles

Wear belts with all trousers and skirts that have belt loops.

Item	Description	Related Information
BLACK BELT WITH BRASS TIP	The black web belt is made of 1 ¼ inch wide (Cotton) black webbing with an attached brass colored clip end (metal tip).	<u>Wear With</u> Brass Belt Buckle on Dress Blue Trousers
WHITE BELT	The white belt is made of 1 ¼ inch white webbing with brass colored clip end (metal tip).	<u>Wear With</u> ♦ White Dress Trousers ♦ White Dress Skirt
BLACK BELT WITH SUBDUED TIP Authorized until 1 July 2012	The black web belt is made of 1 ¼ inch wide (Cotton) black webbing with an attached subdued clip end (metal tip).	<u>Wear With</u> Subdued open faced black buckle on ODU Trousers
BASIC RIGGERS BELT	The Basic Riggers belt (NSN: 8415-01-526-5551) is made of 1 ¾ inch wide black nylon fabric with a sewn on subdued, fast cinch buckle. When worn the bitter end should be behind but not past the first belt loop on the wearer's left.	<u>Wear With</u> ♦ ODU Trousers

Manner of Wear For Standard Brass Buckle

Men's Shirt and Men's Trousers

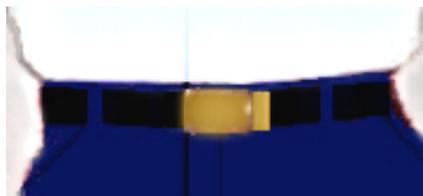
Align the belt so that the tab edge (metal tip) touches the wearer's LEFT side of the buckle. Align the right side of the buckle with the opening of the shirt and opening of the fly, forming a straight line.

Women's Shirt and Women's Trousers

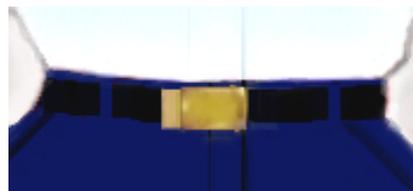
Align the belt so that the tab edge touches the wearer's RIGHT side of the buckle. Align the left side of the buckle with the opening of the shirt and opening of the fly, forming a straight line.

Combination of Men's and Women's Shirt and Trousers

When wearing a shirt and trousers for different sexes, a shirt, trousers and fly alignment is unachievable. However, in all cases, the non-tab edge of the belt must align with the fly. When women trousers are worn, wear the belt clip end (metal tip) should face the wearer's right. When men trousers are worn, wear the belt clip end (metal tip) on the wearers left side.



Men's Buckle Alignment



Women's Buckle Alignment

3.C.9. Formal Wear

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>CUMMERBUND</p>	<p>The cummerbund is made of gold acetate satin. It has pleats and measures 5 inches wide for men and 3 ½ inches for women. When wearing the cummerbund, the pleat openings face upward.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue - (Women only) ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket
<p>WAISTCOAT</p>  <p>Waistcoat shown under Dinner Dress Blue Jacket</p>	<p>The Waistcoat is made of white, conservatively woven pique, or other suitable material, with set-in lapel of same fabric as vest, and single-breasted with a welted pocket in each front section. Closure is by three 22-1/2-line CG gold buttons on right front.</p>	<p><u>Wear With:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue (Men only)

3.C.10. Shoes and Socks

Shoes will be made of smooth leather, combinations of synthetic materials and leather, or a high gloss synthetic leather substitute. Shoes with high gloss synthetic upper portions (generally known as Corfram™) will not be worn aboard Coast Guard vessels or aircraft unless specifically authorized by the commanding officer for short-term temporary uses.

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>DRESS SHOES</p> <p>Note: White shoes are for officers, and are worn with white uniforms only</p> <p>NOTE: In all cases when wearing an optional skirt, proper color pumps become mandatory with the exceptions noted in sections 4.A.7 and 4.A.8. In most cases pumps become optional as stated to the right when slacks are worn.</p>	<p><u>Oxfords</u> The standard dress shoe is made of smooth black or white leather or a synthetic substitute of the lace-up, low cut plain oxford style without decoration. The heels will be no higher than one inch. For men stitching or seams across the toe are not authorized. The sole edges, heels, and laces must be the same color as the shoe.</p>	<p><u>Wear Black Shoes With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress (Men only) ◆ All Dinner Dress Jacket Uniforms (Men only) ◆ Dinner Dress Blue (For men, and women when wearing trousers) ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue <p><u>Wear White Shoes With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress White (Optional for women) ◆ Full Dress White ◆ Service Dress White
	<p><u>Women – Pumps and Flats</u> Pumps or flats will be plain in style, with no decoration, made of smooth black or white, leather or synthetic material. Sole edges and heels will be the same color as the shoe. The heels and the toes will be closed in. The heel may be 1 to 2 5/8 inches high and no less than 1/2 inch wide at the floor. A flat wedge style sole which rises 1 inch is authorized. Pumps have been removed from the required Seabag and are now an optional item, but become mandatory if any of the optional skirts are worn.</p>	<p><u>Wear Black Pumps or Flats</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Dinner Dress Uniforms ◆ Full Dress Blue (Optional) ◆ Service Dress Blue (Optional) ◆ Tropical Blue (Optional) <p><u>Wear White Pumps With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Full Dress White (Optional) ◆ Service Dress White (Optional)

<p>FORMAL DRESS SHOES (Women Only)</p>	<p><u>Formal Black Pumps</u> The formal black pumps may be made of suede, silk, or poie de soie with closed heels and toes.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress Blue
<p>SAFETY BOOTS</p> <p>Safety boots must be worn while performing work that requires protection of the feet</p> 	<p>The standard-issue safety boot is the Super Boot II, plain black, quick-laced, high-top (Eight –Ten inch high) boot with a reinforced composite (not steel) toe. They are fully lined with Gortex, completely waterproof with a Vibram sole, brass eyelets with rubber coating. However, these boots are not insulated. Protective footwear must comply with the American Society for testing Materials (ASTM) Document number ASTM-f2413-05 (as updated on (3/11/05)). <u>Steel-toed boots are no longer authorized after 31 December 2012.</u></p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform ◆ Unit issued organizational clothing

<p>BOAT SHOES</p> <p>May be authorized for small boat and cutter operations only, authorized when appropriate.</p>	<p>The authorized boat shoe is an optional item and must be dark brown leather, low cut shoe of moccasin type construction, with functional rawhide lacing with 6 to 10 brass eyelets (evenly divided per side). The sole will be white, slip resistant, and made of a non-marking material.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform ◆ Unit issued organizational clothing
<p>TENNIS SHOES (OPTIONAL)</p> 	<p>The official USCG running shoe made by New Balance. A midsole shoe with stability and shock dispersion /absorbing technology. Custom colors with Coast Guard Emblem.</p>	<p><u>Wear with</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Basic Physical Fitness (BPF) Uniform ◆ Can be used as a light-duty shoe

<p>OVERSHOES</p>	<p>Overshoes are an optional item consisting of plain low cut black rubbers, high-top overshoes, or black rain/snow boots, free from adornment. The boot top will not be higher than the kneecap. Button, snap, zipper, hook and loop (Velcro™ type), etc. fasteners are allowed.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All Uniforms
<p>SOCKS</p>	<p>Black / Dark Blue socks are made of undecorated, plain or ribbed knitted material. Knee length or mid calf socks are authorized.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All blue trousers (except when wearing pumps or flats)
	<p>White socks are made of undecorated, plain or ribbed knitted material. Knee length or mid calf socks are authorized.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All white trousers (except when wearing pumps or flats)
<p>HOSIERY</p>	<p>Hosiery is described as nylons, pantyhose, and stockings. When hosiery is worn with a skirt it will be plain and approximate the wearer's flesh color. Black or flesh colored hosiery, including knee-high stockings, may be worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats when wearing trousers.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All skirts ◆ Trousers when worn with oxfords, pumps, or flats

3.C.11. Outerwear

Only Coast Guard approved outerwear will be worn. When wearing outerwear with buttons and/or a belt, all will be fastened. When wearing any outerwear with zippers, they will be zipped a minimum of two-thirds closed. Pregnant women may adjust outerwear closure as needed to prevent discomfort.

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>WOOLY PULLY SWEATER</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.1 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>The wooly-pully sweater is made from 100 percent wool or synthetic yarns in a rib knit V-neck design with epaulets.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ *Maternity Uniform ◆ Winter Dress Blue <p>The sweater may be worn in lieu of the Service Dress Blue coat while indoors or outdoors unless the coat is more appropriate.</p> <p>When wearing the sweater with any open-collared shirt, wear the collar on the outside.</p> <p>The sweater may be worn under the trench coat, reefer coat, and the poly/wool windbreaker as long as it does not extend below the coat bottom.</p> <p>*All maternity uniforms except Maternity Service Dress Blue Jumper Dress Uniform</p>
<p>CARDIGAN SWEATER</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.1. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>The button-front cardigan style sweater, made of a acrylic/wool blend material with epaulets.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ Maternity Uniform* ◆ Winter Dress Blue ◆ <p>When wearing the sweater with any open-collared shirt, wear the collar on the outside.</p> <p>Must remain buttoned at all times with the exception of expectant mothers, the sweater may be buttoned or unbuttoned during second trimester of pregnancy.</p>

		<p>Authorized for wear inside and outdoors within the limits of the Coast Guard unit/activity, and may be worn under other outerwear when traveling between Coast Guard units or between work and home (as long as it does not extend below the bottom of the outerwear.)</p> <p>*All maternity uniforms except Maternity Service Dress Blue Jumper Dress Uniform</p>
<p>WINDBREAKER</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.3 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>A single-breasted polyester/wool blend material jacket with, plain collar, epaulets, zippered front closure, and a welt pocket on each forepart and removable vest style quilted liner.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>ODU</u> ◆ <u>Tropical Blue</u> ◆ <u>Winter Dress Blue</u> <p>May be worn in lieu of the service dress blue coat except when the service dress blue coat is more appropriate for an occasion's formality</p>
<p>FOUL WEATHER PARKA II</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.3 and 3.D.5 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>The all weather parka has a Coast Guard blue waterproof, laminated supplex nylon and Gore-Tex™ outer shell with foldaway hood. It has a tab on the front for placement of the embroidered FWPII fabric rank device that is mandatory for E-4 and above.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>ODU</u> <p>May be worn while commuting.</p> <p>Foldaway hood must be stowed away if not in use.</p>
<p>ODU UTILITY JACKET</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.3 and 3.D.5 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>A FWP II fitted blue Polartec Power Shield liner. Made of 70% polyester, 30% nylon. That is a 98% windproof, water repellant, breathable, stretch fabric. It has a tab on the front for placement of the embroidered FWPII fabric rank device that is mandatory for E-4 and above.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>Foul Weather Parka II</u> ◆ <u>ODU</u> <p>Is authorized for wear as a standalone jacket when worn with the ODU.</p> <p>Only small items shall be carried in the pockets and must not distort the look of the jacket.</p>

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>FLEECE LINER FOR THE FWP II</p>	<p>A FWP II fitted blue 100% fleece liner with waist draw string.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>Foul Weather Parka II</u> <p>This liner when worn must be married to the FWP II.</p> <p>At no time will this be worn as a standalone jacket.</p>
<p>REEFER COAT</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.1. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>A Coast Guard blue, double-breasted, hip length coat, with convertible collar, set-in pockets and a single row of four 35-ligne Coast Guard gilt buttons in each fore part.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>Service Dress Blue</u> ◆ <u>Tropical Blue</u> ◆ <u>Winter Dress Blue</u> <p><u>The reefer coat is no longer available for purchase, but may be worn until no longer serviceable.</u></p>
<p>TRENCH COAT</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.3 and 3.D.5 for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>A Coast Guard blue, double-breasted polyester/cotton coat with four-button closure, shoulder epaulets, belted waist, and has a removable liner of either a quilted or pile insulating material. The trench coat should extend to a point approximately two inches below the back of the knee when standing upright.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All uniforms (except ODU)
<p>BRIDGE COAT (E7 and above)</p> <p><u>Insignia</u> See Section 3.D.1. for the wear of appropriate insignia.</p>	<p>A Coast Guard blue, calf length double-breasted coat made of wool-Melton type fabric with 35-ligne buttons and two ornamental belt sections attached by gold buttons at the rear waist of the coat.</p>	<p><u>Wear With</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All dress uniforms

Item	Description	Related Information
FORMAL CAPE (Women only)	A cape made of dark blue woolen fabric with a velvet collar, lined throughout with gold-colored cloth. The collar must be closed at the neck.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket <p>The formal cape is a Navy special order item. Call 1-800-368-4088 for information.</p>
EARMUFFS/EAR WARMERS	Earmuffs and ear warmers will be a plain, unadorned design and dark blue or black.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All uniforms <p>Wear the band either under the headgear or to the rear, below the headgear.</p>

Item	Description	Related Information
GLOVES	Only plain black leather or similar material gloves with matching stitching are authorized.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All uniforms
	Only plain white cotton or synthetic material gloves with matching stitching are authorized.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress Blue Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress White Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress White ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Full Dress White <p>Gloves may be required for some ceremonial events.</p>
SCARVES	Only white scarves of conventional size and made of plain, unadorned tightly woven wool, silk, or synthetic material are authorized. White scarves may be worn with the reefer coat, bridge coat, or trench coat.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All dress uniform <p>Scarves are worn tucked in.</p>
	The “blue” scarf is actually black in color and must be of conventional size and made of plain or unadorned tightly woven wool, silk, or synthetic material. This scarf is worn under the windbreaker, work jacket, and foul weather parka II.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform <p>Scarves are worn tucked in.</p>

3.C.12. Maternity Uniforms

Maternity uniforms may be worn during pregnancy and up to 60 days after returning from maternity leave. Commanding officers may authorize pregnant women to wear civilian clothing when there is no maternity uniform equivalent (e.g. Dinner Dress Uniforms) or when the maternity uniforms no longer fit comfortably. The type of civilian clothing must be comparable to the uniform the individual would normally wear. Mixing of civilian attire and military uniform is not authorized.

Rank and other insignia, badges, and nametags are worn in the same manner on maternity uniforms as on the corresponding uniforms they replace. Minor adjustments in placement are authorized to prevent discomfort and to present an orderly and balanced appearance. Since there are no epaulets on the jumper, collar devices will be worn on the light blue shirts under the jumper. The following items and quantities are required to be purchased with the maternity allowance once member is in the second trimester. **A waiver may be requested from PSC (PSD-mu) if the circumstances dictate the need for the maternity uniform prior to the second trimester.**

Item	Description	Related Information
<p>MATERNITY SERVICE DRESS BLUE JUMPER UNIFORM (1 required)</p>	<p>The Air Force Maternity Dress jumper worn over the light blue, long or short sleeved maternity dress shirt with blue tab tie.</p>	<p><u>Equivalent to</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue <p><u>Jumper Length</u> When hemming the jumper, finish the bottom of the skirt with a 2 to 3 inch hem parallel to the floor. The jumper hemline will fall no higher than the crease in the back of the knee or lower than 3 inches below the crease in the back of the knee.</p>
<p>MATERNITY DRESS SHIRTS (2 short sleeve required and 1 long sleeve required)</p>	<p>The Coast Guard uses the Air Force light blue maternity shirts.</p> <p>Long or short sleeved shirts are worn with tab tie.</p> <p>Short sleeved shirts are worn without tab tie.</p>	<p><u>Worn Alone As the Equivalent to</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue <p>Worn with maternity jumper, trousers or skirt.</p> <p>These shirts are similar to the Tropical Blue uniform. Accoutrements shall be arranged in the same manner as</p>

		the Tropical Blue, however they may be moved slightly from their normal position to take into account comfort.
MATERNITY DRESS SLACKS (2 required)	The Coast Guard uses the Air Force maternity dress trousers. The trouser material is the same as used for the maternity jumper.	<u>Equivalent to:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Trousers
MATERNITY DRESS SKIRT (Optional)	The Coast Guard uses the Air Force maternity dress skirt. The skirt material is the same as used for the maternity jumper.	<u>Equivalent to:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Service Dress Skirt
MATERNITY OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM SHIRT (2 required)	Coast Guard blue long sleeved shirts that follow the overall style of the Operational Dress Uniform top.	<u>Equivalent to:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform shirt ◆ Worn with the maternity ODU trousers
MATERNITY OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM TROUSERS (2 required)	A Coast Guard blue maternity trouser that follows the overall style of the Operational Dress Uniform trousers.	<u>Equivalent to:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniform trousers ◆ Worn with the maternity ODU shirt

3.C.13. Miscellaneous Articles

Item	Description	Related Information
BLOUSING BANDS	Elastic or Velcro™ bands can be used to blouse Operational Dress Uniforms (ODU) trouser legs over safety boots. Blousing bands will be located between the second and third eyelets from the top of the boot. Blousing bands should not be visible. Bootlaces should not show or dangle but must be concealed under the blousing band or tucked into the boot.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Dress Uniforms <p><u>Do not use when wearing oxfords or boat shoes.</u></p>
HANDBAGS (Women only)	<u>Standard Handbag</u> A handbag of plain, unadorned black or white (as appropriate) leather or synthetic material, envelope style not more than 12 inches wide, 8 inches high, and 5 inches deep. It may have a detachable shoulder strap and may be used with or without the strap.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Full Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Tropical Blue ◆ Operational Dress Uniform
	<u>Dress Handbag</u> The dress handbag used with the Formal Dress or Dinner Dress Jacket uniforms is a small clutch type black or white bag, (as appropriate) preferably with a collapsible handle.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress Jacket
UMBRELLA	Only umbrellas with telescoping type shafts with straight handles and made of plain black or dark blue material are authorized. They must be carried in the left hand.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All uniforms
SUSPENDERS (Men only)	Only suspenders without design or ornamentation are authorized. Plain white suspenders are worn with Formal Dress, Dinner Dress Jackets, and white jackets or coats. Plain black suspenders may be worn with any blue jacket.	<u>Wear With</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Formal Dress Blue ◆ Dinner Dress Jacket ◆ Dinner Dress ◆ Full Dress ◆ Service Dress Blue ◆ Service Dress White <p>Suspenders are not worn without the appropriate jacket.</p>

3.D. GRADE/RANK INSIGNIA

3.D.1. Commissioned and Chief Warrant Officers

Officer ranks are represented by shoulder boards, sleeve striping, metal or embroidered shoulder and collar insignia. Shoulder boards show an officer's grade and branch of service and in the case of chief warrant officers their specialties. Hard and enhanced shoulder boards are available in full or $\frac{3}{4}$ size to better fit the shoulders of the wearer. Coast Guard flag officer shoulder boards consist of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace on blue shoulder boards. The gold lace is embroidered with a silver fouled anchor with a silver shield superimposed on the shank. The fluke with the overlapped chain points to the front of the wearer.

Wear hard shoulder boards  on

- Dinner Dress White Jacket
- Dinner Dress White
- Full Dress White
- Reefer coat
- Bridge coat

Wear enhanced shoulder boards  on:

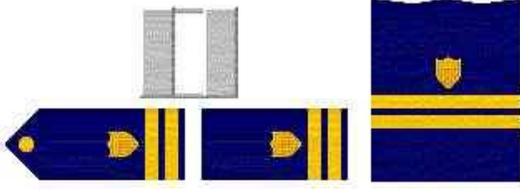
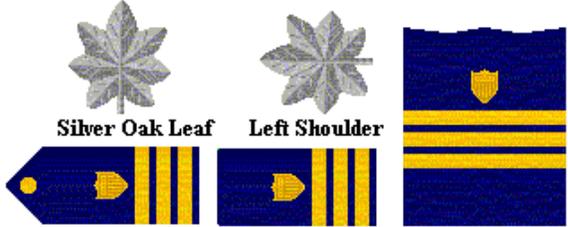
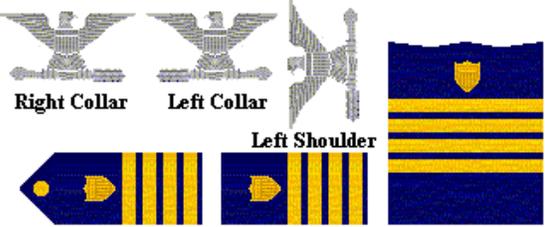
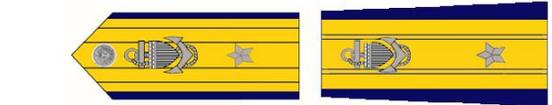
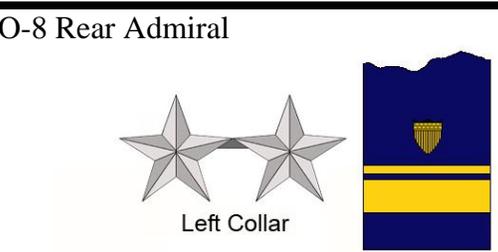
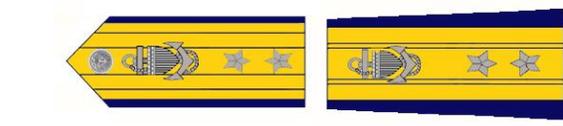
- Light Blue Shirt (long and short sleeved)
- Cardigan Sweater (except on Winter Dress Blue uniform)
- Wooly-Pully Sweater (except on Winter Dress Blue uniform)

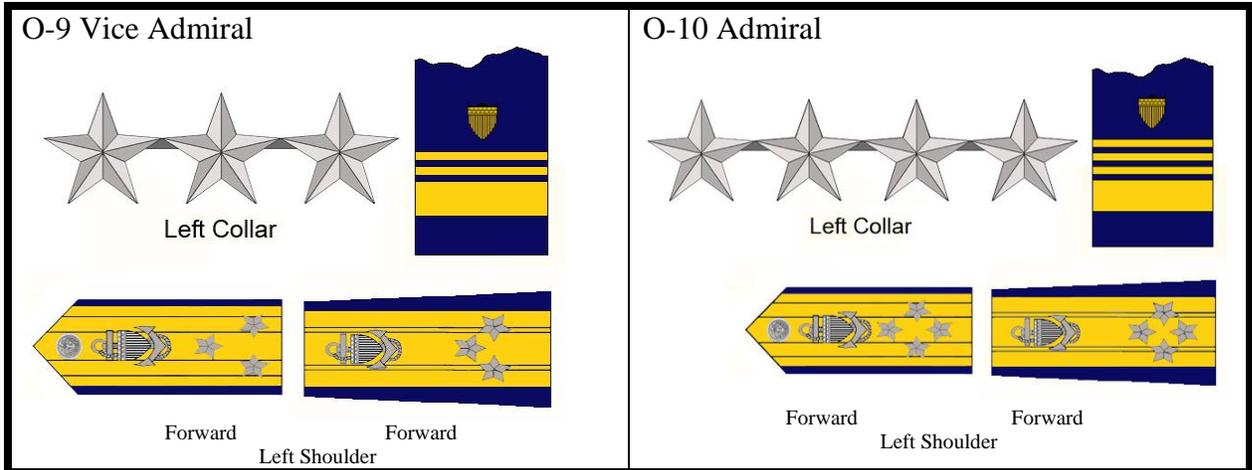
The placement of sleeve accouterments applies to both right and left sleeve for officers and chief warrant officers. Officer sleeve striping for O-1 through O-6 consists of $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch gold stripes, and 2 and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch gold stripes for O-7 through O-10. Chief warrant officer sleeve striping consists of a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch gold stripe with blue breaks denoting the individual's grade. The stripes are placed on the sleeve parallel and 2 inches from the cuff with each subsequent stripe placed $\frac{1}{4}$ inch apart moving up the arm. Gold shields are sewn $\frac{1}{4}$ inch above the top most stripe, centered on the outside of the sleeve. The gold shield is not used on the Dinner Dress White Jacket, Dinner Dress White, Full Dress White, and Service Dress White uniforms. The CWO specialty insignia is not worn on the sleeve of the Dinner Dress Blue Jacket Uniform or Formal Dress Uniforms.

For Chief warrant officers only, the right collar insignia denotes the individual's grade, and the specialty insignia is worn on the left collar as seen in Section 3.D.3.

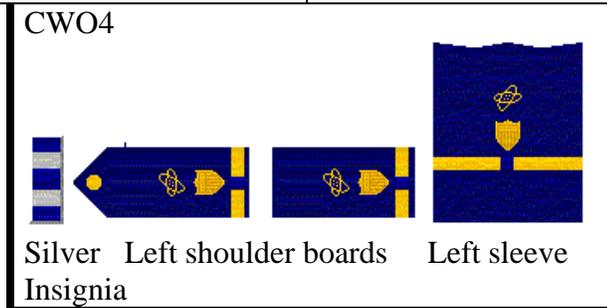
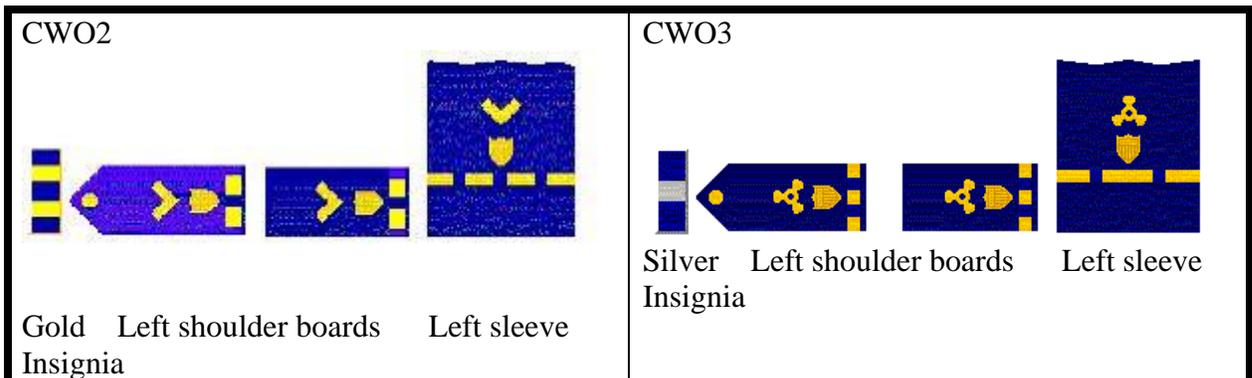
During wartime or other emergency conditions, the senior officer present may require subdued insignia for all personnel when the wearing of normal bright finish insignia would be considered hazardous.

Officer Rank Insignia

<p>O-1 Ensign</p>  <p>Hard Board Enhanced Board</p>	<p>O-2 Lieutenant (Junior Grade)</p> 
<p>O-3 Lieutenant</p> 	<p>O-4 Lieutenant Commander</p>  <p>Gold Oak Leaf Left Shoulder</p>
<p>O-5 Commander</p>  <p>Silver Oak Leaf Left Shoulder</p>	<p>O-6 Captain</p>  <p>Right Collar Left Collar Left Shoulder</p>
<p>O-7 Rear Admiral (Lower Half)</p>  <p>Left Collar</p>  <p>Forward Forward Left Shoulder</p>	<p>O-8 Rear Admiral</p>  <p>Left Collar</p>  <p>Forward Forward Left Shoulder</p>



Chief Warrant Officer Rank Insignia



3.D.2. Warrant Officer Specialty Markings

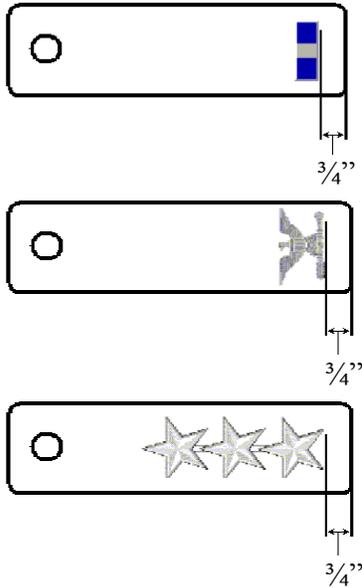
Direction of devices appears as they would on the left sleeve, left shoulder board, and the left collar device.

	<p>Aviation Engineering (AVI): two bladed; vertical propeller gold placed on the sleeve with the wings parallel to the stripe.</p>		<p>Investigator (INV): Collar Insignia: gold block letters “INV” superimposed on a gold law enforcement badge. Sleeve/Shoulder Insignia: scale of justice with a superimposed law enforcement badge.</p>
	<p>Bandmaster (BNDM): a lyre placed on the sleeve with the longer dimension perpendicular to the stripe and the base down.</p>		<p>Intelligence System Specialist (ISS): a crossed quill to the front over a lightning bolt pointing down, placed on the sleeve with points down.</p>
	<p>Boatswain (BOSN): two crossed fouled anchors placed on the sleeve with the crowns down.</p>		<p>Marine Safety Specialist Deck (MSSD): a trident rising through a wave.</p>
	<p>Electronics (ELC): a helium atom placed on the sleeve with the horizontal electron orbit parallel to the stripe, with star to the front.</p>		<p>Marine Safety Specialist Engineer (MSSE): a four-bladed propeller surrounded by a twelve-toothed external gear.</p>
	<p>Finance & Supply (F&S): a sprig of three oak leaves placed on the sleeve with stem down and to the front.</p>		<p>Maritime Law Enforcement Specialist (MLES): A diamond shaped emblem with a solid law enforcement badge with a Coast Guard shield embedded</p>

	<p>Material Maintenance (MAT): a carpenter's square placed on the sleeve with the right angle down and the arm inscribed with lines to the front.</p>		<p>Personnel Administration (PERS): two crossed quill pens placed on the sleeve with the nibs down, with the upper quill pointing to the front</p>
	<p>Information Systems Management (ISM): Collar Insignia: a gold French style telephone touching the top of a globe design. Sleeve/Shoulder Insignia: a French style telephone hovering above a globe design.</p>		<p>Port Safety & Security (PSS): a diamond shaped emblem with a law enforcement badge in its center. (Reserve only)</p>
	<p>Medical Administration (MED): a caduceus placed on the sleeve with the staff perpendicular to the stripe.</p>		<p>Public Information (INF): a camera placed on the sleeve in an upright position with the bottom parallel to the stripe and lens aperture to the front.</p>
	<p>Naval Engineering (ENG): a three-bladed propeller placed on the sleeve with two blades down</p>		<p>Weapons (WEPS): a flaming spherical shell placed on the sleeve with the flame upward.</p>
	<p>Operations Systems Specialist (OSS): an A-scope on an arrow; arrow pointing diagonally upward and to the front.</p>		

3.D.3. Officer Rank Insignia Placement

Windbreaker and Trench Coat



Larger metal shoulder rank insignia are worn on outerwear epaulets so that the outer edge of the insignia is parallel to and 3/4 inch from the straight side of the epaulet.

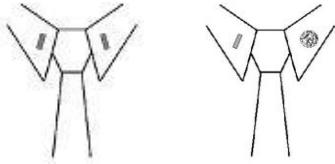
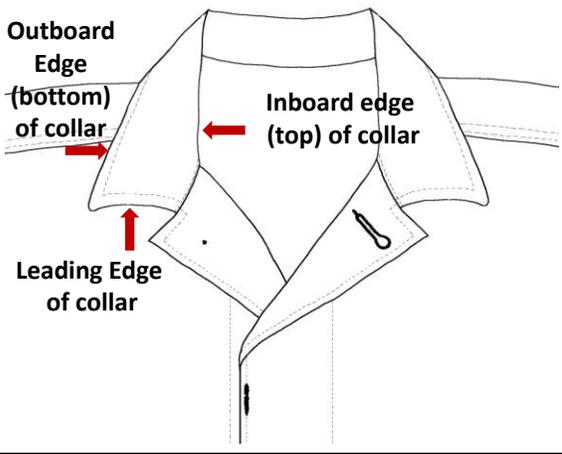
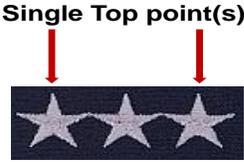
Foul Weather Parka II



For CWO, O-1 through O-6, **embroidered FWPII fabric rank device** is worn centered on the Velcro tab on front of coat.

For O-7 and above, stars on the embroidered FWPII fabric rank device are worn with the point up and in a vertical line centered on the tab.

*CG Academy Cadets and Officer Candidate School personnel are authorized to wear metal collar insignia on the FWPII.

<p style="text-align: center;">Winter Dress Blue Shirt</p>  <p>W2 – W4 and O-1 – O6 Collar rank insignia are centered between the top and bottom collar edges. The center of the insignia is parallel and one inch from the leading edge of the collar. W-2 – W4 will place their designator on the left and rank on the right.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Operational Dress Shirt</p>  <p>Only embroidered collar rank insignia are authorized on the ODU.</p> <p>Collar rank insignia are centered on the collar, along an imaginary line bisecting the angle of the collar point that runs through the middle of the insignia.</p> <p>Collar rank insignia with exception of embroidered O-3 and O-6 will be placed 1 1/8 inch from collar point. O-3 and O-6 will be placed 1 1/2 inch from bisecting collar point.</p> <p>*CG Academy Cadets and Officer Candidate School personnel are authorized to wear metal collar insignia on the ODU.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Admiral Stars</p> <p><u>Winter Dress Blue</u></p> <p>Admiral Stars shall be point-to-point. With the single top point(s) facing inboard (towards the neck), the center of the first star is placed one inch in from the collars leading edge and one inch down from the collars <u>inboard</u> (top) edge with additional stars running parallel to the collars <u>inboard</u> (top) edge.</p> <p><u>Operational Dress Uniform</u></p> <p>Admiral Stars shall be point-to-point, with the single point(s) facing inboard (towards the neck), the center of the first star is placed one inch in from the collars leading edge and one inch up from the collars <u>outboard</u> (bottom) edge with additional stars running parallel to the collars <u>outboard</u> (bottom) edge.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Point-to-Point Star description</p> 

3.D.4. OFFICER HEADGEAR INSIGNIA

Combination Cap

For all officers, the combination cap insignia will consist of a gold spread eagle approximately 2 ¾ inches high. The cap insignia may be embroidered or made of metal with appropriate plating to simulate gold or silver. Attach the insignia to the mount of the combination cap band.

	 O-1 Through O-4 And all CWOs	 O-5 and O-6	 O-7 Through O-10
	 O-1 Through O-4 And all CWOs	 O-5 and O-6	 O-7 Through O-10

Garrison Cap

When wearing the garrison cap, cap insignias are worn as follows:

The left insignia on the garrison cap will consist of the miniature version of the eagle worn on the combination cap.

The right insignia on the garrison cap will be of the same design as the collar insignia.

The insignia are positioned on the left or the right equally.



The center of both insignias are placed 1½ inches from the bottom of the cap, and 2 inches right or left of the front crease.

Standard Ball Cap and Unit Ball Cap

The insignia worn on the ball cap will be the standard metal collar insignia. **All insignia will be centered on the front of the cap so as to not interfere with the lettering. Standard Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering and the bill of the cap. Unit Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering above and lettering below.** O-6 insignia is worn with the eagle facing the wearer's right.



<p><u>Cold Weather Cap</u></p> <p>No insignia authorized for this Cap.</p>	 <p>Cold Weather Cap</p>
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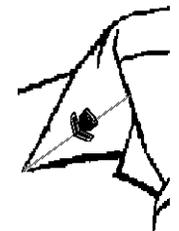
3.D.5. ENLISTED RATE/PAY GRADE INSIGNIA

Enlisted rate/pay grade insignia consist of embroidered and metal collar insignia and embroidered sleeve markings. All insignia will be machine or hand-stitched in place using thread the color of the uniform with a minimum of six stitches per inch. Collar insignia will consist of metal or embroidered collar insignia indicating the wearer's rate/pay grade. There will be no mixing of the two types of collar insignia. The insignia is worn on both collars of all uniform shirts, except for the white dress shirt.

During wartime or other emergency conditions, the senior officer present may require subdued insignia for all personnel when the wearing of normal metal bright finish insignia would be considered hazardous.

Although, metal collar insignia are standard, embroidered sew-on cloth collar insignia are standard on the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) only.

<h4>Enlisted Rate/Pay Grade Insignia</h4>	
<p>The chief petty officer collar insignia will consist of a 15/16 inch gold metal fouled anchor with a silver shield superimposed on the shank. One, two, or three stars are attached to the stock to designate senior and master chief petty officers and the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard, respectively.</p>	 <p>CPO SCPO MCPO MCPOCG</p>
<p>The petty officer collar insignia consists of one, two, or three metal, gold chevrons indicating third class, second class, and first class respectively; mounted under a silver Coast Guard shield.</p>	 <p>PO3 PO2 PO1</p>

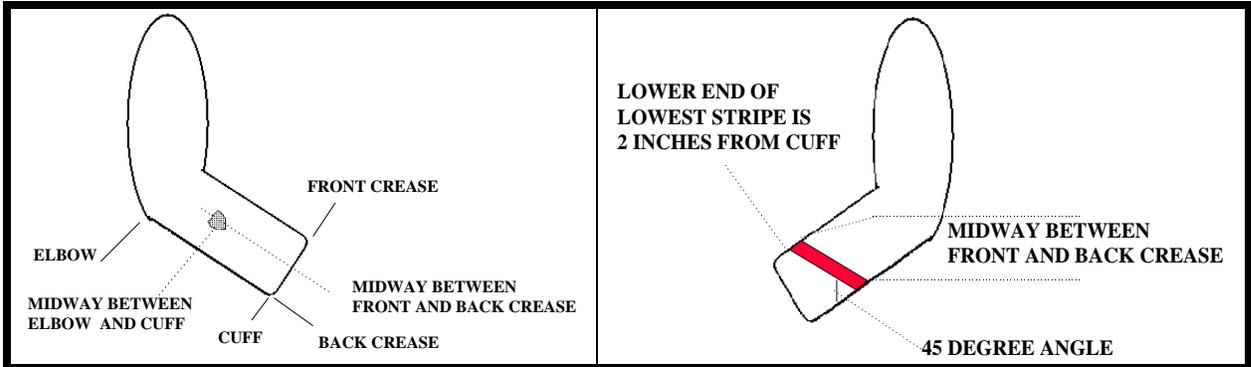
<p><u>Light Blue Long And Short Sleeved (With Or Without Tie), and Winter Dress Blue Shirt</u></p>  <p>Collar insignia are centered between the visible top & bottom collar edges & center of device is one (1) inch and parallel from the leading edge.</p>	<p><u>Operational Dress Uniform Shirt</u></p>  <p>Collar rank insignia are centered on the collar, along an imaginary line bisecting the angle of the collar point.</p>
<p>Insignia placement (E-7 – E-9 and MCPOCG only) on windbreaker and the Trench coat.</p>  <p>Collar insignia are centered between the top and bottom. The center of insignia is 1” from and parallel to leading edge.</p>	<p>Insignia placement for E-4 – E-9 and MCPOCG for Foul Weather Parka II or the ODU Utility Jacket.</p>  <p>Embroidered FWPII fabric rank device is worn centered on the Velcro tab on the front of the FWPII or ODU Utility jacket.</p>

3.D.6. ENLISTED SLEEVE INSIGNIA

Shield insignia on all Service Dress and Dinner Dress uniforms are embroidered gold lace with the background of the same color as the jacket. Enlisted personnel will wear one gold shield sleeve insignia on the outer right sleeve. The shield will be placed midway between the elbow and cuff, and midway between the front and back crease, as shown below.

Enlisted service stripes consist of embroidered diagonal stripes to indicate the length of service. One service stripe will be worn for each full four years of active or reserve service in any of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard, or any combination thereof. The color of the service stripes for E-4 through E-6 is scarlet for all jackets

except the Dinner Dress White Jacket, those service stripes are dark blue. The color of the service stripes worn by E-7 through E-9 including the MCPOCG is gold for all jackets. The backing material for all service stripes shall match the color of the jacket. Each stripe will be 5 ¼ inches long, 3/8 inch wide. The stripes are worn on the outer left sleeve of the blue Service Dress Coat and Dinner Dress jacket. The stripe is placed diagonally at a 45-degree angle with the lower edge of the lowest stripe 2 inches from the cuff. The end seams of the stripe are placed midway between the front and back crease. When more than one stripe is worn, they must be spaced ¼-inch apart.

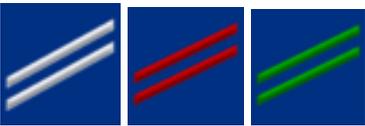


3.D.7. ENLISTED NON-RATE/RATING DESIGNATOR MARKS

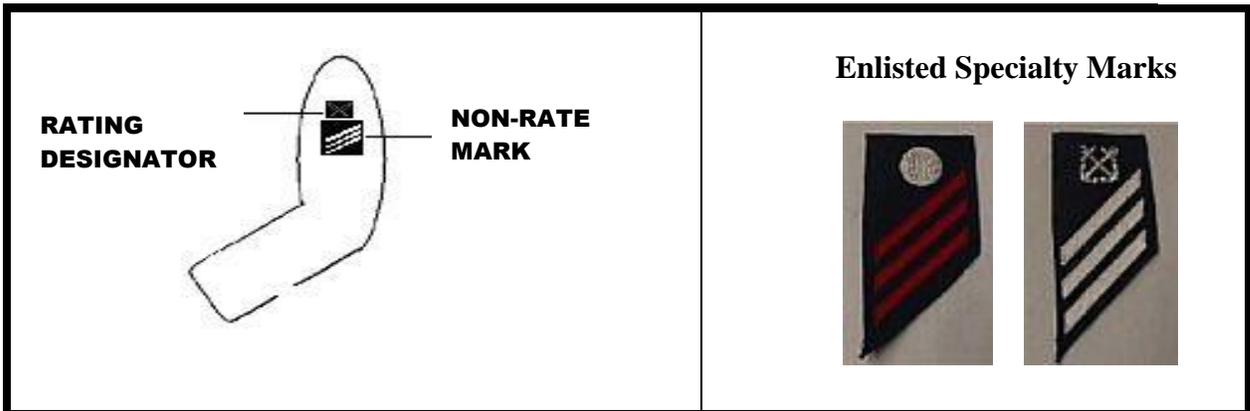
Enlisted non-rate marks for pay grades E-1 through E-3 will consist of short diagonal stripe(s) sewn on a blue background. White stripes indicate seaman, red stripes indicate fireman, and green stripes indicate airman.

The non-rate marks will be sewn on the outer side of the left sleeve of the blue service dress coat. The device is placed midway between the shoulder and the elbow, and midway between the front and back crease.

Rating designator designate enlisted personnel, pay grades E-2 and E-3, for the rating of which they are qualified, and marks are on a blue background and consist of the same type of specialty insignia used in pay grades E-4 through E-9.

<p>Seaman Recruit (E-1) 1 White stripe:</p> 	<p>Seaman/Fireman/Airman Apprentice (E-2) 2 stripes:</p>  <p>White -Seaman Apprentice Red -Fireman Apprentice Green - Airman Apprentice</p>	<p>Seaman/Fireman/Airman (E-3) 3 stripes:</p>  <p>White - Seaman Red - Fireman Green - Airman</p>
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The rating designator is placed on the left coat sleeve, centered directly above and on the seam of the non-rate mark **or may be an all-in-one patch that has the two combined. Both are located in the same position. The combined patch can be carefully cut and sewn to fit E-1 to E-3.**



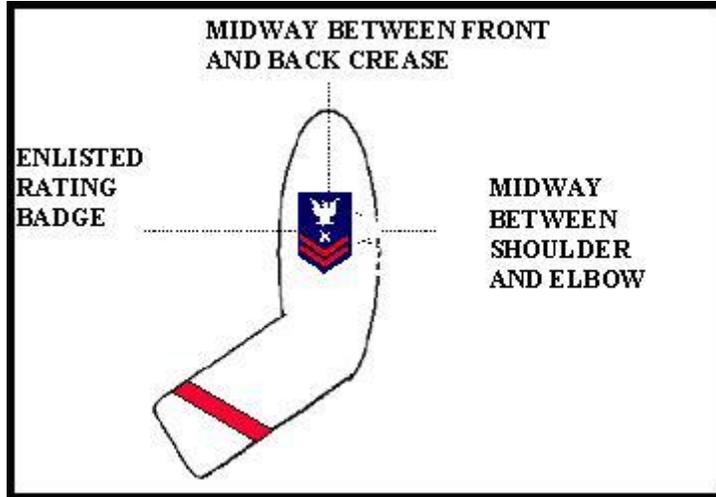
3.D.8. Rating Badge

The rating badge indicates the wearer's rate/pay grade. It consists of a perched eagle with the wings extended upward and the head to eagle's right. Chevron(s) and star(s) indicate the wearer's pay grade. **The color of the chevrons for E-4 through E-6 is scarlet with the background the same color as the jacket. Stripes worn on the Dinner Dress White Jacket have a white background with dark blue stripes. The color for the chevrons worn by E-7 through E-9 including the MCPOCG is gold with the background the same color as the jacket.**

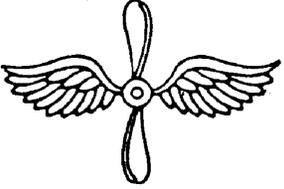
A rating emblem placed between the eagle and the chevron(s) indicates the wearer's rating. **MCPOCG and Area level Gold Badge Command Master Chiefs including the MCPO-CGRF will wear a gold shield with Gold stars as their rating badge. All other Gold Badge Command Master Chiefs will wear a silver shield with silver stars as their rating badge. All other E-7 through E-9 will have a rating emblem placed between the eagle and the chevron(s) indicating the wearer's specific rating.**

The badge will be placed on the outer side of the left sleeve of the Service Dress Blue coat and **both Dinner Dress Jackets**. The badge is placed midway between the shoulder and the elbow, midway between the front and back crease.

 <p>3rd Class Petty Officer (E-4)</p>	 <p>2nd Class Petty Officer (E-5)</p>	 <p>1st Class Petty Officer (E-6)</p>	 <p>Chief Petty Officer (E-7)</p>	
 <p>Senior Chief Petty Officer (E-8)</p>	 <p>Master Chief Petty Officer (E-9)</p>	 <p>Gold Badge Command Master Chief</p>	 <p>AREA Level Command Master Chief</p>	 <p>Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard</p>



3.D.9. ENLISTED RATINGS

	<p><u>Aviation Maintenance Technician (AMT)</u></p> <p>A two-bladed winged propeller.</p>		<p><u>Electronics Technician (ET)</u></p> <p>A helium atom about which revolve two electrons.</p>
	<p><u>Aviation Survival Technician (AST)</u></p> <p>A winged flaming spherical shell with parachute.</p>		<p><u>Food Service Specialist (FS)</u></p> <p>Crossed quill and wheat spike with a key across top.</p>
	<p><u>Avionics Electrical Technician (AET)</u></p> <p>A winged helium atom about which revolves two electrons.</p>		<p><u>Gunner's Mate (GM)</u></p> <p>Crossed gun barrels with muzzles up.</p>
	<p><u>Boatswain's Mate (BM)</u></p> <p>Crossed anchors with crowns down.</p>		<p><u>Health Services Technician (HS)</u></p> <p>A caduceus.</p>
	<p><u>Damage Controlman (DC)</u></p> <p>Crossed fire axe and maul with handles down and axe blade to the front.</p>		<p><u>Information Specialist (IT)</u></p> <p>A globe with lines of embroidery representing lines of latitude and longitude, with a French type telephone above it.</p>
	<p><u>Electrician's Mate (EM)</u></p> <p>A globe with lines of embroidery representing lines of latitude and longitude.</p>		<p><u>Intelligence Specialist (IS)</u></p> <p>Crossed quill and lightning bolt, both pointing down; pen on top with quill to the back.</p>

	<p><u>Machinery Technician (MK)</u> Face of an eight-toothed gear.</p>		<p><u>Operations Specialist (OS)</u> An A-Scope superimposed on an arrow. Arrow is pointing diagonally upward and to the front</p>
	<p><u>Marine Science Technician (MST)</u> A trident rising through waves</p>		<p><u>Public Affairs Specialist (PA)</u> A camera surcharged with a quill pen</p>
	<p><u>Maritime Enforcement (ME)</u> Law enforcement shield with a Coast Guard shield embedded.</p>		<p><u>Storekeeper (SK)</u> Crossed keys with stems down and webs outward</p>
	<p><u>Musician (MU)</u> A lyre.</p>		<p><u>Yeoman (YN)</u> Crossed quill pens with nibs pointing down.</p>

Reserve-Specific Ratings

	<p><u>Investigator (IV)</u> Scales of justice with a superimposed law enforcement badge.</p>		<p><u>Port Securityman (PS)</u> Block letters "PS" superimposed on a law enforcement badge.</p>
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3.D.10. ENLISTED HEADGEAR INSIGNIA

Combination Cap

For E-6 and below, the insignia is a 1¾ inch silver and gold Coast Guard medallion. Attach the insignia to the mount of the combination cap band. For E-7 through E-9 and MCPOCG, the combination cap insignia is a gold-colored fouled anchor 1¾ inches long, including ring and fouling, with the appropriate number of stars affixed to the ring or stock of the anchor. The insignia are mounted on the combination cap band.



E-7 through E-9 and MCPOCG

E-6 and below

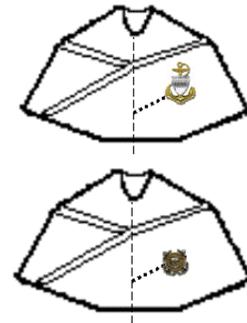
Garrison Cap

Cap devices are worn on the wearer's left as follows:

For E-1 through E-3 a miniature version of the Coast Guard medallion, approximately 1 inch in size.

For E-4 through E-6 an appropriate collar rate/pay grade insignia.

For E-7 through E-9 and MCPOCG, a miniature version of the combination cap anchor, approximately 1-3/8 inches high.



The center of the insignia is placed 1½ inch from the bottom of the cap, and 2 inches back from the front crease.

Standard Ball Cap and Unit Ball cap

The insignia worn on the ball cap will be the standard metal collar insignia. **All insignia will be centered on the front of the cap so as to not interfere with the lettering.**
Standard Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering and the bill of the cap. Unit Ball Cap - Centered between the lettering above and lettering below.



Cold Weather Cap

No insignia is authorized for this Cap.



3.E. QUALIFICATION INSIGNIA, DEVICES AND BADGES

3.E.1. INSIGNIA

Insignia denote a significant level of qualification or designation in specialized fields that meet an established standard of knowledge, training, and experience.

Coast Guard officers and enlisted members who, while a member of the Coast Guard, have earned qualification insignia from another United States military service are authorized to wear said insignia on the Coast Guard uniform as described in this section.

When wearing ribbons or medals, a member may wear up to two insignia in accordance with the specific guidelines below. When wearing two insignia, wear the insignia most applicable to the current assignment uppermost. Otherwise, wear the most recently earned uppermost.

Full-size qualification insignia are worn on all uniforms except miniature insignia are worn on the Dinner Dress and formal uniforms

The polishing or high gloss plating of Coast Guard qualification insignia originally finished in a single color (completely gold, silver, satin antique pewter or satin antique gold colored finishes) is authorized. Personnel must make this modification at their own expense. Polished or high gloss insignia are authorized for optional wear unless prohibited by the uniform prescribing authority.

Metal insignias are worn on all uniforms with the exception of the Operational Dress Uniform. A single embroidered insignia **that the member has permanently earned** may be worn on the ODU, sewn on and centered directly above the “U. S. COAST GUARD” tape. The single insignia should represent applicable qualifications or most recently earned as appropriate.

Embroidered insignia should be obtained from Coast Guard approved sources (i.e., Uniform Distribution Center, Coast Guard Exchange System, or Coast Guard Exchange approved contract vendors). From these sources, the fabric strip on which the insignia are embroidered will be rectangular and will be the same length as the “U. S. Coast Guard” tape.

The insignia must be sewn either by machine or hand, at a minimum of six stitches per inch, directly above the Coast Guard tape using thread the same color as the background of the insignia. Insignia must not be shorter than, nor extend beyond, the width of the ODU breast pocket.

Description	Insignia
<p>Aviator</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia with a fouled anchor behind a shield in the center.</p>	
<p>Air Crew</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia with an anchor and the letters “AC” inscribed. Enlisted members qualified for aircrew duties that subsequently advance to officer status may continue to wear the aircrew insignia.</p>	
<p>Flight Officer</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia behind a shield in the center.</p>	
<p>Flight Surgeon</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia with a silver caduceus superimposed on a shield in the center.</p>	
<p>Aviation Rescue Swimmer</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia with the “Star of Life” and crossed scuba diver fins. Once qualified the member will wear this insignia in lieu of the aircrew insignia.</p>	

Description	Insignia
<p>Astronaut</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia with crossed anchors overlaid with a shield and shooting star.</p>	 <p>The Astronaut insignia features a pair of gold-toned wings. In the center, two crossed anchors are overlaid with a shield. A shooting star is positioned above the shield. The shield contains a stylized anchor and a star.</p>
<p>Aviation Mission Specialist</p> <p>A gold-toned, winged insignia silver anchor on a gold background encircled in a silver ring.</p>	 <p>The Aviation Mission Specialist insignia consists of a pair of gold-toned wings. In the center is a silver anchor on a gold background, encircled by a silver ring. The wings are decorated with a pattern of small circles.</p>

Description	Insignia
<p>Cutterman</p> <p>A gold-toned (officers) or pewter-toned (enlisted) insignia with a shield on a five-pointed star superimposed on a ship's wheel centered over stylized waves.</p> <p>Enlisted members eligible to wear the permanent Cutterman insignia who are subsequently commissioned (including chief warrant officers) must refer to the Cutter Training and Qualification Manual, COMDTINST M3502.4 (series) to determine which version of the Cutterman insignia is appropriate for wear for their individual circumstance.</p>	
<p>Naval Surface Warfare (SWO)</p> <p>A gold-toned (officers) or pewter-toned (enlisted) insignia with the bow and superstructure of a modern naval warship on two crossed swords on a background of ocean swells.</p>	
<p>Boat Force Operations</p> <p><u>Solid Pewter-Toned Insignia</u>: A pewter-toned insignia with an eight-point compass rose, over a crossed boat hook and oar centered over stylized waves.</p> <p><u>Solid Pewter and Gold-Toned Insignia (advanced qualification)</u>: The insignia as described above except that the compass rose is a polished gold color and the stylized waves and oars are pewter.</p>	
<p>Coxswain</p> <p>A pewter-toned insignia with curled stylized waves and crossed oars with a compass rose superimposed.</p>	

Description	Insignia
<p>Enlisted Expeditionary Warfare Specialist</p> <p>A polished silver insignia of a bow of a patrol craft on a crossed rifle and sword against a background of ocean swells.</p>	
<p>Surfman</p> <p>A pewter-toned insignia of a life buoy crossed with two boat oars. Surfman is a more advanced qualification and is always worn in lieu of Coxswain insignia.</p>	
<p>Scuba Diver</p> <p>A gold-toned (officers) or pewter-toned (enlisted) insignia with a wet suit hood, facemask, and breathing apparatus.</p>	
<p>Second Class Diver</p> <p>A pewter-toned insignia with a diving helmet and breastplate.</p>	
<p>First Class Diver</p> <p>A pewter-toned insignia with a diving helmet and breastplate surrounded by sea serpents.</p>	
<p>Master Diver</p> <p>A pewter insignia with the same design as the Diving Officer.</p>	

<p>Diving Officer</p> <p>A matte gold-toned insignia with two upright sea horses facing a diving helmet and two tridents projecting upward from the helmet. A double carrick bend is superimposed on the breastplate.</p>	
<p>Diving Medical Technician</p> <p>A pewter-toned insignia with two upright sea horses facing a diving helmet and two tridents projecting upward from the helmet. A caduceus is superimposed on the breastplate.</p>	
<p>Port Security</p> <p>A gold-toned (officers) or a pewter-toned (enlisted) insignia with two seahorses facing outward from a Coast Guard shield on two crossed swords and a trident on a background of stylized waves.</p>	
<p>Marine Safety</p> <p>A pebble-finished rectangle with a polished gold horizontal trident and a centered compass rose. A line entwines the trident and compass rose. Centered on the compass rose is a polished silver shield.</p>	
<p>Law Enforcement Detachment and Tactical Law Enforcement Team</p> <p>A polished gold insignia, with a ribbon on the top edge. A compass rose and a silver shield are centered on the insignia between two crossed swords. Across the bottom the insignia reads: "TACTICAL LAW ENFORCEMENT."</p>	

<p>Company Commander</p> <p>A gold-toned oval with the Coast Guard Shield and two crossed swords on a background of stylized waves placed between the words “Company Commander”.</p>	
<p>Physician Assistant and Nurse Practitioner</p> <p>A one-inch gold shield with a silver caduceus centered on shield.</p> <p>There is no miniature version.</p>	

3.E.2. DEVICES

Devices denote command afloat and command ashore experience. The Command Afloat and Command Ashore Devices are considered equivalent. Personnel entitled to wear the devices may wear them in addition to any other qualification insignia. Full-size devices will be worn on full dress uniforms. Miniature devices will be worn on all other uniforms. Two command devices may be worn at the same time on most uniforms; however, incumbent COs and OICs are authorized to wear their current embroidered miniature device on the ODU. It is standard protocol for admirals not to wear devices.

Description	Device
<p>Command Afloat</p> <p>A gold and silver device with a miniature officer eagle superimposed on a partially unfurled commission pennant.</p>	
<p>Command Ashore</p> <p>A gold and silver device with a miniature officer eagle cap device superimposed on a wreath of gold oak leaves.</p>	

Description	Device
<p>Officer in Charge Afloat</p> <p>Pewter-toned device with a Coast Guard shield and anchor superimposed on a rope grommet. Enlisted members who have earned an OIC device and subsequently advance to officer status may continue to wear the device until they qualify for an equivalent “officer” command device, at which time the enlisted device will no longer be worn.</p>	
<p>Officer in Charge Ashore</p> <p>A pewter-toned device with a wreath of oak leaves open at the top with a Coast Guard shield in its center. Enlisted members who have earned an OIC device and subsequently advance to officer status may continue to wear the device until they qualify for an equivalent “officer” command device, at which time the enlisted device will no longer be worn.</p>	

3.E.3. SERVICE AND IDENTIFICATION BADGES

Service and identification badges provide recognition of personnel serving on special assignment. Only two special service or identification badges may be worn at one time. Full-size badges are worn on the Full Dress and Service Dress Uniforms. Miniature badges are worn on the Formal Dress, all Dinner Dress, Tropical Blue and Winter Dress uniforms. Incumbent Gold and Silver Badge Command Chiefs are authorized to wear their one current Command Chief badge on the ODU. No other badges (current or past) are worn on the ODU.

The wearing of other service and identification badges not specifically listed in these regulations is authorized only during assignment to an organization requiring the wearing of such a badge. **The member(s) directed to wear a badge not listed must supply PSC (psd-mu) with a copy of the instruction/regulation governing the requirement to wear the badge, the manner of wear, and a letter/memo listing the member(s) authorized to wear it from the hosting command/organization prior to wearing the badge.**

Description	Badge
<p>Presidential Service Badge</p> <p>This badge is authorized to be worn by personnel detailed to duty in the White House who have been awarded a Presidential Service Certificate. It may be worn during and after the period of their detail. There is no miniature version.</p>	
<p>Vice Presidential Service Badge</p> <p>This badge is authorized to be worn by personnel detailed to duty in the Office of the Vice President who have been awarded a Vice Presidential Service Certificate. It may be worn during and after the period of their detail. There is no miniature version.</p>	
<p>Office of the Secretary of Defense</p> <p>This badge is authorized to be worn by personnel who have received a certificate of eligibility from the Office of the Secretary of Defense authorizing them to wear the badge. Personnel may wear the badge during and after the period of their detail.</p>	
<p>Office of the Secretary of Transportation</p> <p>Permanent wear of this badge is authorized for personnel who completed one year of satisfactory duty on the Secretary of Transportation's personal staff (S-1 and S-60).</p>	

Description	Badge
<p>Office of the Secretary of Homeland Security</p> <p>This badge is authorized to be worn by personnel currently serving on the Secretary of Homeland Security's personal staff. Personnel may permanently wear the badge after one year of satisfactory duty. This includes those in PAL billets on the Secretary's and Deputy Secretary's staffs.</p> <p>The large size badge is worn on the Full Dress and Service Dress uniforms. The small badge is worn on the Formal Dress, all Dinner Dress, Tropical Blue and Winter Dress.</p>	
<p>Joint Chiefs of Staff</p> <p>This badge is authorized to be worn by personnel assigned to the organization. Personnel may wear the badge during and after the period of their detail</p>	
<p>Commandant's Staff Identification Badge</p> <p>This badge is awarded on a temporary basis upon assignment to positions certified by the Executive Assistant to the Commandant. After one year of satisfactory performance the permanent badge is authorized.</p>	

<p>Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard A MCPOCG rate/pay grade insignia placed on a gold oval shield above “MCPOCG”.</p>	
<p>Area Level Gold Badge Command Master Chief An E-9 rate/ pay grade insignia placed on a gold oval shield above the word “AREA”. Worn by 3 star level CMCs (PACAREA, LANTAREA, DCMS, DCO).</p> <p>Master Chief Petty Officer of the Reserve Force An E-9 rate/pay grade insignia placed on a gold oval shield above the word “MCPO-CGRF”.</p>	
<p>Gold Badge Command Master Chief An E-9 rate/ pay grade insignia placed on a gold oval shield above the word “COMMAND”. Worn by all Flag/SES CMCs.</p> <p>Rating Force Master Chief An E-9 rate/pay grade insignia placed on a gold oval shield above the letters “RFMC”. Worn by all Rating Force Master Chiefs.</p>	
<p>Silver Badge Command Master Chief & Senior Chief An E-9 or E-8 rate/ pay grade insignia placed on a silver oval shield above the word “COMMAND”. Worn by those in full-time billeted and screened silver badge positions.</p>	

Collateral Duty Silver Badge

An E-7, E-8, or E-9 rate/ pay grade insignia placed on a silver oval shield above the word “UNIT”. Worn by all collateral duty command chiefs, senior chiefs, and master chiefs.



Full Size gold or silver CMC badges and RFMC identification badges are authorized for wear while serving in that capacity and by those that retired while serving in a gold or silver badge CMC, or a RFMC position. Worn on Full Dress, Service Dress, Winter Dress, Tropical Blue, and ODU uniforms.

Females have the option of wearing full size CMC badges and RFMC identification badges above their name tags for the previously authorized uniforms.

Miniature incumbent gold or silver CMC badges and RFMC identification badges are worn on the Formal Dress and all Dinner Dress uniforms. The miniature badge is also authorized for post-assignment wear for ALL CMC/CSC/CC and RFMC positions following the completion of a successful tour. The post-assignment miniature badge is worn on, Service Dress, Tropical Blue and Winter Dress uniforms. The badge worn indicates the highest rank and position held when designated.

Only one CMC Badge (gold or silver) may be worn at any given time. A currently serving CMC may wear a previously earned RFMC badge and a currently serving RFMC may wear a previously earned CMC badge. No more than two special service or identification badges (current and past) may be worn at the same time.

Description	Badge
<p>Recruiting</p> <p>A gold wreath around the badge may be worn by a recruiter (active duty or reserve, officer or enlisted) who has successfully completed Recruiter School and has completed the Personnel Qualification Standard (PQS).</p> <p>The badge is authorized to be worn only by Coast Guard personnel currently assigned to a recruiting billet.</p> <p>The badge is worn on all uniforms except ODUs.</p> <p>There is no miniature version.</p>	
<p>Coast Guard Academy Admissions Recruiting</p> <p>A gold-toned circular metal badge.</p> <p>This badge is only authorized for members presently assigned to an Academy Admissions Division billet.</p> <p>The badge is worn on all uniforms except the ODU.</p> <p>There is no miniature version.</p>	
<p>Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard</p> <p>A gold-toned metal oval badge.</p> <p>This badge is authorized for past and present members assigned to the Ceremonial Honor Guard. The full size version is worn on Full Dress, Service Dress Blue, Tropical Blue, and Winter Dress Blue uniforms. The miniature version is worn on Formal Dress and all Dinner Dress uniforms.</p> <p>This badge is worn on all uniforms except ODUs.</p>	
<p>Coast Guard Band</p> <p>A gold-toned metal oval badge.</p> <p>This badge is authorized for past and present members of the Coast Guard Band. The badge is worn on all uniforms except ODUs. There is no miniature version.</p>	

3.E.4. MANNER OF WEAR FOR INSIGNIA, DEVICES, AND BADGES

The following illustrations show the proper wearing of qualification insignia, devices, and badges. In situations where a member has earned a combination of insignia, devices, and badges (e.g., two qualification insignia, two command devices, and two badges that are worn in the same location), resulting in a conflict in placement, wearers should use their best judgment in determining the appropriate placement.

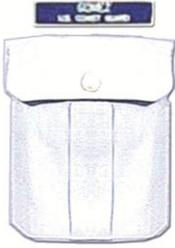
Basic manner of wear on SDB, Tropical Blue, Winter Dress, and ODU uniforms:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Nametags are centered ¼ inch above right pocket. ◆ Ribbons are centered ¼ inch above left pocket. ◆ Insignia are centered ¼ inch above ribbons. ◆ If assigned as incumbent CO or OIC, device is worn centered ¼ inch above nametag on right pocket. ◆ Only embroidered permanent insignias, command devices, incumbent Command Chiefs, and RFMC badges are authorized on the ODU. 	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"><u>Right Pocket</u></td> <td style="width: 50%;"><u>Left Pocket</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<u>Right Pocket</u>	<u>Left Pocket</u>		
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Manner of wear for insignia on SDB, Tropical Blue, Winter Dress, and ODU uniforms:

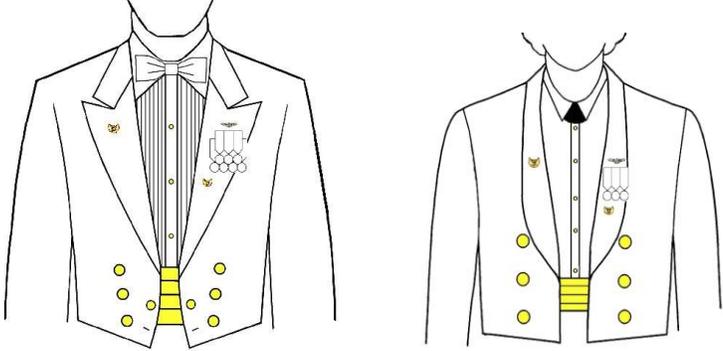
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ In all cases, except for the ODU, only two full-size insignia may be worn simultaneously. When wearing two insignia, wear the insignia most applicable to the current assignment uppermost. Otherwise, wear the most recently earned uppermost. ◆ The uppermost insignia is centered ¼ inch above the ribbons or pocket. The lower insignia is centered ¼ inch below the top edge of left pocket flap. ◆ Only one embroidered permanent insignia is worn on the ODU. The insignia should represent the most applicable qualification. Only the pocket length tape with full size embroidered insignia should be sewn centered immediately above the U. S. Coast Guard tape. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Left Pocket</u></p> 
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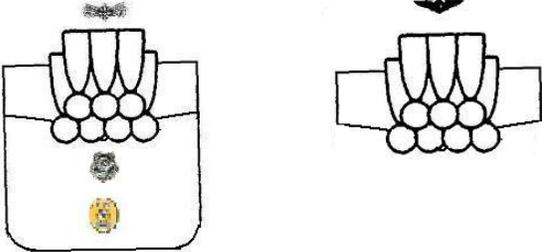
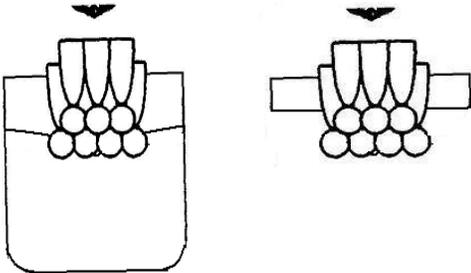
Manner of wear for devices on SDB, Tropical Blue, and Winter Dress uniforms:

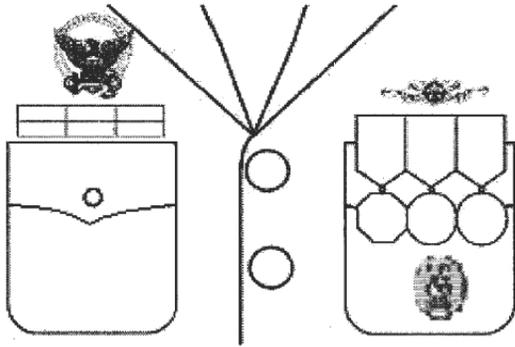
	<u>Right Pocket</u>	<u>Left Pocket</u>
<p>If wearing one formerly earned device with or without one insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Device is centered ¼ inch below top edge of left pocket flap. 		
<p>If wearing two formerly earned devices with or without one insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Devices are symmetrically centered on either side of the button ¼ inch below top edge of pocket flap, with most recently earned device placed inboard. 		
<p>If wearing one formerly earned device and/or two insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Uppermost qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch above ribbons or top of pocket on the left. ◆ Second qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch below upper edge of pocket flap. ◆ Device is centered ¼ inch below lower edge of pocket flap. 		
<p>If wearing two formerly earned devices and/or two insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Uppermost qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch above ribbons or top of pocket on left. ◆ Second qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch below upper edge of pocket flap. ◆ Devices are symmetrically centered on either side of the button ¼ inch below bottom edge of left pocket flap, with most recently earned device placed inboard. 		

<p>If wearing two formerly earned devices and/or a former CMC Gold or Silver Badge with or without one insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Devices are symmetrically centered on either side of the button ¼ inch below top edge of pocket, with most recently earned device place inboard. ◆ Former CMC badge is centered on lower portion of right pocket below all other devices. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Right</u> <u>Left</u></p> 
<p>If wearing two formerly earned devices and a former CMC Gold or Silver Badge with two insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Most recent qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch above left pocket. ◆ Second qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch below upper edge of pocket flap. ◆ Devices are symmetrically centered on either side of the button ¼ inch below bottom edge of left pocket flap, with most recently earned device place inboard. ◆ Former CMC badge is centered on lower portion of right pocket below all other devices. 	
<p>If wearing one formerly earned CMC Gold Badge and a current RFMC Badge with one insignia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Most recent qualification insignia is centered ¼ inch above left pocket. ◆ Former CMC badge is centered on lower portion of right pocket below all other devices. ◆ Current RFMC is centered on lower portion of left pocket. 	

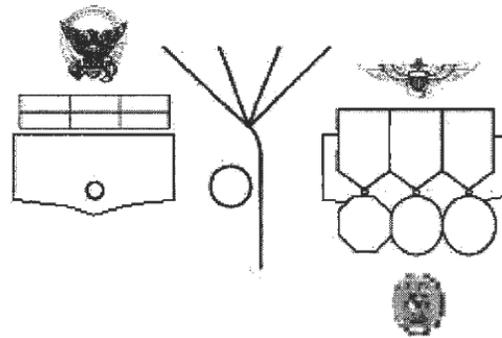
Manner of wear for insignia, devices, and badges on Formal Dress, Dinner Dress, and Full Dress uniforms:

<p>Formal Dress and Dinner Dress Jackets</p> <p>Men place the holding bar of the lowest row of miniature medals 3 inches below the notch, centered on the lapel, parallel to the deck.</p> <p>Women place the holding bar of the lowest row down 1/3 the distance between the shoulder seam and the coat hem. With multiple medals, medals may overlap the lapel and extend onto the chest area.</p> <p>Backing shall be affixed through the lapel and jacket. Insignia, devices, and badges have the same correlation as shown in 3.E.4 starting 1/4 inch above the medals and 1/4 inch below the medals centered on the lapel. Do not center on the medals.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Men Women</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Formal Dress and Dinner Dress Jackets</p>
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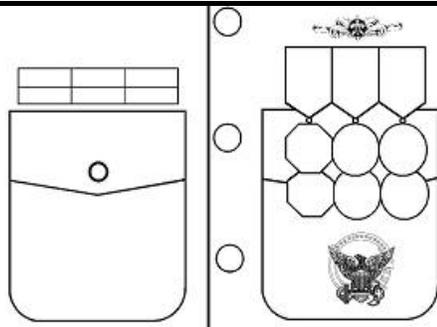
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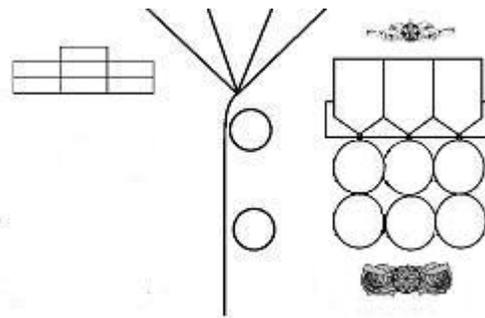
Full Dress Blue Men
(Current Commanding Officer)



Full Dress Blue Women
(Current Commanding Officer)



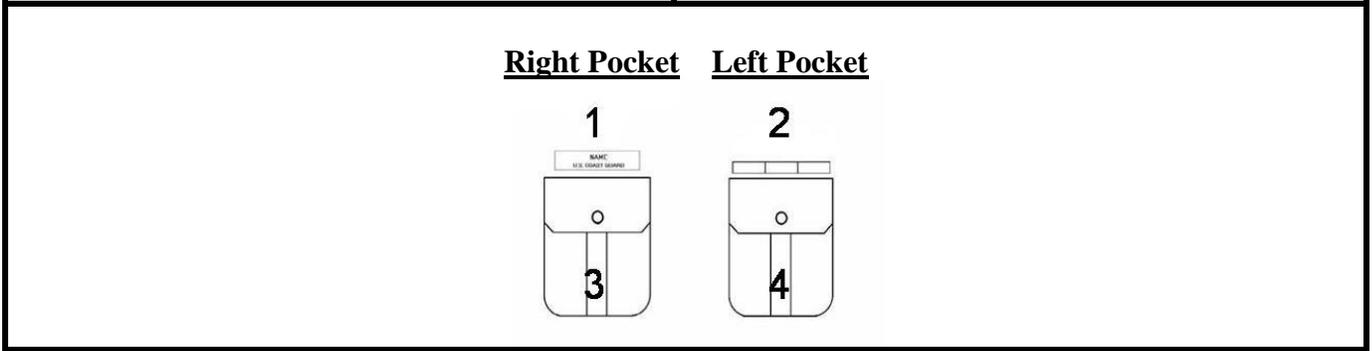
Full Dress White Men
(Previous Commanding Officer)



Full Dress White Women

Manner of wear for badges on the SDB, Tropical Blue, and Winter Dress uniforms:

Positioning of <u>currently</u> assigned badge corresponds with below numbers	Positioning of <u>previously</u> assigned badge corresponds with below numbers
<p>Presidential Service Badge Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Vice Presidential Service Badge Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Joint Chiefs of Staff Men (4) Women (2)</p> <p>Office of the Secretary of Defense Men (4) Women (2)</p> <p>Office of Secretary of Transportation Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Office of the Secretary of Homeland Security Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Commandant's Staff Identification Badge Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>MCPOCG/MCPORF Men (4) Women (1)</p> <p>Command Master Chief/Senior Chief/Chief Men (4) Women (1)</p> <p>Rating Force Master Chief Men (4) Women (1)</p> <p>Recruiting Men(4) Women (1)</p> <p>Ceremonial Honor Guard Men (2) Women (2)</p> <p>Coast Guard Band Men (2) Women (2)</p>	<p>Presidential Service Badge Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Vice Presidential Service Badge Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Joint Chiefs of Staff Men (4) Women (2)</p> <p>Office of the Secretary of Defense Men (4) Women (2)</p> <p>Office of Secretary of Transportation Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Office of the Secretary of Homeland Security Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Commandant's Staff Identification Badge Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>MCPOCG/MCPORF Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Command Master Chief/Senior Chief/Chief Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Rating Force Master Chief Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Recruiting Not applicable</p> <p>Ceremonial Honor Guard Men (3) Women (1)</p> <p>Coast Guard Band Men (3) Women (1)</p>



When wearing two badges on the Full Dress Blue, Service Dress Blue, Tropical Blue, and Winter Dress Blue uniforms, they would be placed side by side and centered in the positions listed above. On the Dinner Dress Jacket uniform, center the badges one above the other with most applicable on top. See above chart for correct position.
i.e.: MCPOCG/MCPORF, Command Chiefs wear their current badges as follows: Men (3); Women (1).

3.F. NAMETAGS AND NAMETAPES

Nametags are required on the following uniforms:

- Service Dress Blue
- Service Dress White
- Tropical Blue
- Winter Dress Blue

Nametapes are required on the following uniform:

- Operational Dress Uniform

3.F.1. PLASTIC NAMETAGS

The nametag will be 5/8" x 3 and 3/16" of Air Force blue-colored plastic material. The standard for nametags requires the last name only. The nametag will have the individual's last name and the legend "U. S. COAST GUARD" directly below it. Both the name and legend will be centered. Lettering size will be 1/4" for the individual's last name and 3/16" for the legend.

Nametags with first names and unofficial but Coast Guard recognized insignia, such as SAR and NATON school pins attached, are authorized as an optional uniform item if space permits. Insignia will be placed to the left of the name. Full name and "U. S. COAST GUARD" legend letter sizes must be the same as for the standard nametag. Commands have the authority to require the standard nametag when a higher level of uniformity is necessary.

Crewmembers serving on the oldest cutter in the fleet are authorized to attach the gold hull numbers of that cutter to their nametags using a permanent adhesive. The numbers will be of block style and must fit within a one half-inch square space. The numbers will be attached to the far right (the wearer's right) of the nametag. The numbers will not obscure the individual's name. The authorization is limited to the duration of the assignment to the oldest cutter in the fleet. The gold numbers should be purchased by individuals or with the unit morale funds from local sources.

Nametags will be worn centered 1/4 inch above the top of the right chest pocket.

On the women's light blue overblouse, the nametag will be worn so that it is level and centered on the right side of the shirtfront in the same approximate position that it would be worn on a properly fitting light blue shirt with pockets. Individuals are to adjust placement of nametag to allow for shirt size and individual body proportions to achieve appropriate appearance.

3.F.2. CLOTH AND U.S. COAST GUARD NAMETAPES

Both the wearer's nametape and the "U.S. COAST GUARD" nametape will be worn on the ODU. The cloth nametape with the wearer's name will be centered directly above the wearer's right chest pocket. The "U.S. COAST GUARD" nametape will be centered directly above the wearer's left chest pocket. Nametapes will not be shorter than or extend beyond the width of the ODU breast pocket. The cloth nametapes will consist of a nylon/cotton poplin material matching the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) in CG Blue 3362 and white block letters $5/8 \pm 1/16$ inch high by $5/16$ inch wide military block letters. Only the last name will be represented on the wearers right name tape. Surnames that have a combination of upper and lower case letters are authorized (i.e. McDONALD). Both nametapes will be one inch in height and eight inches wide. For last names that exceed 15 characters, the letter width will be reduced to allow the name to fit on the tape. Tapes will be sewn on with matching blue thread $1/16$ inch from the edge with a minimum of six stitches per inch. Sew-on stitching will not run through the embroidered lettering.

3.F.3. DIRECT EMBROIDERY

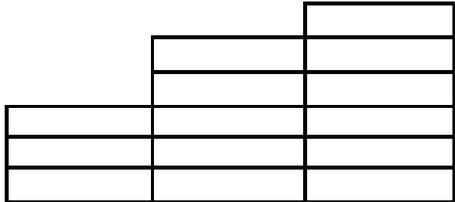
Direct embroidery of name or "U. S. COAST GUARD" identification is not authorized on the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) shirt.

3.G. MEDALS, RIBBONS, AND AWARDS

For more detailed information, see reference (d) the Medals and Awards Manual, COMDTINST M1650.25 (series).

3.G.1. MANNER OF WEAR

The following tables describe when and how to wear ribbons and medals.

When In:	Wear:	How:
<p>Tropical Blue Service Dress Blue Service Dress White Winter Dress Blue</p>	<p>Ribbons – A choice of all, up to nine ribbons of the wearer’s choice, or the three highest precedence ribbons authorized.</p>	<p>Mounted on a single ribbon bar assembly with the appropriate number of rows. May be professionally block mounted. Centered ¼ inch above the left pocket flap or equivalent location.</p> <p>Ordered by precedence from top down, and from the wearer's right (inboard) to left (outboard).</p> <p>Placed in rows of three across with no space between ribbons or rows.</p> <p>When more than three ribbons are worn, only the top row may contain less than 3 ribbons, worn centered over the next row.</p> <p>When the lapel of the Service Dress coat causes ribbons to be concealed by more than 1/3 of their length, ribbons may be arranged in successively decreasing rows. Align the left (outboard) edge of all decreasing rows vertically, with the alignment of the top row adjusted to present the neatest appearance.</p> 

When In:	Wear:	How:
<p>Full Dress Blue Full Dress White</p>	<p>Full size medals – Wear all authorized medals.</p>	<p>Place lowest medal bar centered ¼ inch above the left pocket flap or equivalent location with the suspension ribbon and medal partially covering the pocket flap.</p> <p>Order by precedence from top down, and from the wearer's right (inboard) to left (outboard).</p> <p>When wearing six or fewer large medals, wear them in rows of three with no overlap (members who have had 5 medals professionally mounted so that 5 medals are overlapped in a row may continue to wear them in this manner until another medal is received).</p> <p>When wearing more than six large medals, wear no more than five per row, evenly overlapped. The right (inboard) medal will show in full. Medals may be offset to the left and the number per row may be modified to avoid covering by the lapel. Each upper row will have the same or fewer medals than the row below.</p> <p>The medal bar will be 4 1/8 inches wide. Each medal will be 3 ¼ inches long from the top of the ribbons to the bottom of the medal. The bottoms of the medals dress in a horizontal line. Upper rows of medals will be mounted so the medals cover the suspension ribbons of the medals below.</p>
	<p>Ribbons without corresponding medals.</p>	<p>Worn centered ¼ inch above the right pocket flap or equivalent location. Ribbons will be ordered by precedence from top down, and from the wearer's left (inboard) to right (outboard). Attachments, such as stars, letters, etc., are also worn from the wearer's left (inboard) to right (outboard).</p>

When In:	Wear:	How:
<p>Dinner Dress Formal Dress</p>	<p>Miniature medals - Those possessing five or more must wear a minimum of five. Personnel with five or less must wear all authorized.</p>	<p>Mounted on a single medal bar assembly with the appropriate number of rows. May be professionally block mounted.</p> <p>The top of the holding bar is positioned 3 inches below the lapel notch and centered on lapel, when worn on the men’s Formal Dress and Dinner Dress Jackets.</p> <p>Centered immediately above the left chest pocket flap when worn on the blue or white (officers only) Service Dress Coats.</p> <p>When worn on the women’s Formal Dress or Dinner Dress Jacket uniforms, the holding bar is worn in the same relative position as on the white service coat.</p> <p>By precedence from top down, and from the wearer's right (inboard) to left (outboard).</p> <p>Each row of miniatures will be 2 1/4 inches long from the top of the ribbons to bottom of the medals so that the bottoms of medals dress in a horizontal line. Upper rows of medals will be mounted so the medals cover the suspension ribbons of the medals below. Up to five miniature medals in a row may be worn. Overlap is not authorized. When five or fewer medals are worn, they will be worn in a single row without overlapping. When six or more are worn they will follow the description in Section 3.G.2.</p>
<p>Civilian Clothing</p>	<p>Miniature medals.</p>	<p>With civilian evening dress (white tie) wear in the same manner as prescribed for Formal Dress uniform and with civilian dinner dress (black tie) in the same manner as prescribed for Dinner Dress uniforms.</p>
	<p>Miniature ribbon replicas made as lapel pins, or ribbons in rosette form.</p>	<p>On the left lapel of civilian clothes except civilian evening dress (white tie), and civilian dinner dress (black tie) as noted above.</p>
<p>Nonmilitary Uniforms</p>	<p>Medals and Ribbons.</p>	<p>Per organization’s uniform rules.</p>

3.G.2. WEARING OF MEDALS

When wearing Full Dress Blue and White uniforms, all authorized medals will be worn. The recommended mounting of medals is described in the chart below. When mounting more than six large medals, overlapping of up to five medals per row is authorized. Overlapping medals will be mounted with the highest precedence medal inboard showing fully. Four or five large medals on a row require overlapping so that medal bar will be 4 1/8-inches wide.

Large Medals						Miniature Medals					
Number of medals	Number of Rows	Top Row	2nd Row	3rd Row	4th Row	Number of medals	Number of Rows	Top Row	2nd Row	3rd Row	4th Row
1-3	1	1-3	-	-	-	1-5	1	1-5	-	-	-
4	2	1	3	-	-	6	2	3	3	-	-
5	2	2	3								
6	2	3	3								
7	2	3	4	-	-	7	2	3	4	-	-
8	2	4	4	-	-	8	2	4	4	-	-
9	2	4	5	-	-	9	2	4	5	-	-
10	2	5	5	-	-	10	2	5	5	-	-
11	3	3	4	4	-	11	3	3	4	4	-
12	3	4	4	4	-	12	3	4	4	4	-
13	3	3	5	5	-	13	3	3	5	5	-
14	3	4	5	5	-	14	3	4	5	5	-
15	3	5	5	5	-	15	3	5	5	5	-
16	4	4	4	4	4	16	4	4	4	4	4
17	4	3	4	5	5	17	4	3	4	5	5
18	4	3	5	5	5	18	4	3	5	5	5
19	4	4	5	5	5	19	4	4	5	5	5
20	4	5	5	5	5	20	4	5	5	5	5

3.G.3. RIBBON AND MEDAL ATTACHMENTS

3.G.3.A. ATTACHMENTS

Ribbon and medal attachments are any devices such as a star, letter, clasp, etc. worn on a ribbon or the suspension ribbon of a medal. See illustrations for examples of attachment placement. When wearing multiple overlapping medals, attachments may be moved to the left in order to be seen. Attachments authorized for awards are listed in the CG Medals and Awards Manual, COMDTINST M1650.25 (series).

Type of Attachment	How to Wear on Ribbons: (orient stars with single ray pointing up)	How to Wear on Medals:
5/16 Inch Gold Star 3/16 Inch Bronze Star (See Illustration 1 and 2)	Single star, worn centered on ribbon. 2 or 4 stars, symmetrically spaced out from ribbon center. 3 stars, one in center and one to either side, evenly spaced. Stars alternate around a silver star with the first star to the wearer's right, the second to the left, etc. When worn with a letter device, letter is centered and first star is worn on the wearer's right, the second on the left, etc.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large medals in the same manner as on ribbons.
1/8 Inch Gold Star	Not worn on ribbons.	Worn on miniature medals, in the same manner as larger stars are worn on large medals.
5/16 Inch Silver Star, (Worn instead of 5 Gold Stars) (See Illustration 3)	Single star, worn centered on ribbon.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large medals in the same manner as on ribbons.
1/8 Inch Silver Star, (Worn instead of 5 Gold Stars)	Not worn on ribbons.	Worn on miniature medals, in the same manner as larger stars are worn on large medals.

(1/8 Inch Silver Star, (Worn instead of 5 Bronze Stars))	Not worn on ribbons.	Worn on miniature medals, in the same manner as larger stars are worn on large medals.
1/8 Inch Bronze Star	Not worn on ribbons.	Worn on miniature medals, in the same manner as larger stars are worn on large medals.
3/16 Inch Silver Star, (Worn instead of 5 Bronze Stars) (See Illustration 3)	Single silver star, worn centered on ribbon.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large medals in the same manner as on ribbons.
Hurricane	Vertically so it forms an "S".	
Oak Leaf Clusters Bronze (denotes subsequent award of joint service awards) Silver (worn instead of 5 Bronze clusters)	Worn in same manner as stars.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large medals in the same manner as on ribbons.
¼ Inch Block Letters (Bronze, Silver, or Gold)	Single letter, worn centered on ribbon, two letters symmetrically spaced from ribbon's center.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large medals in the same manner as on ribbons.
1/8 Inch Block Letters (Bronze, Silver, or Gold)	Not worn on ribbons.	Worn on miniature medals, in the same manner as larger letters are worn on large medals.
3/8 Inch Hourglass (Bronze, 10 Yrs; Silver, 20 Yrs; Gold, 30 Yrs; Bronze and Gold, 40 yrs) (See Illustration 4)	Worn centered on ribbon of Armed Forces Reserve Medal when only attachment. Place on wearer's right when worn with M or with M and numeral.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large Armed Forces Reserve Medal in the same manner as on ribbons.
¼ Inch Block Numerals (Bronze)	For multiple M awards worn numeral on left (outboard) side of M device.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large Armed Forces Reserve Medal in the same manner as on ribbons.
1/8 Inch Hourglass (Bronze, 10 Yrs; Silver, 20 Yrs; Gold, 30 Yrs; Bronze and Gold, 40 yrs) (See Illustration 4)	Not worn on ribbons.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of miniature Armed Forces Reserve Medal in the same manner as on large medal.
Antarctica Disk	Wear centered on Antarctica Service Medal ribbon.	Worn on suspension ribbon portion of large medals in the same manner as on ribbons.

5/16 Inch Marine Corps Emblem	Centered on the ribbon of the medals listed in the Medals and Awards Manual, COMDTINST M1650.25 (series).	Centered on the suspension ribbon of the large medals listed in the CG Medals and Awards Manual, COMDTINST M1650.25 (series).
1/8 Inch Marine Corps Emblem	Not worn on ribbons.	Centered on the suspension ribbon of the miniature medals listed in the CG Medals and Awards Manual, COMDTINST M1650.25 (series).
Gold Bar (denotes subsequent award)	Worn centered on the ribbon of the Gold Lifesaving Medal.	Worn centered on the suspension ribbon of the large Gold Lifesaving Medal.
Silver Bar (denotes subsequent award)	Worn centered on the ribbon of the Silver Lifesaving Medal.	Worn centered on the suspension ribbon of the large Silver Lifesaving Medal.
Gold Compass Rose (denotes subsequent award)	Worn centered on the ribbon of the National Security Medal.	Worn centered on the suspension ribbon of the National Security Medal.
Strike/Flight Numerals (Bronze 3/16 Inch Arabic Numerals)	Worn on the ribbon of the Air Medal, positioned to wearer's left.	Worn on the suspension ribbon of the Air Medal, positioned to wearer's left.

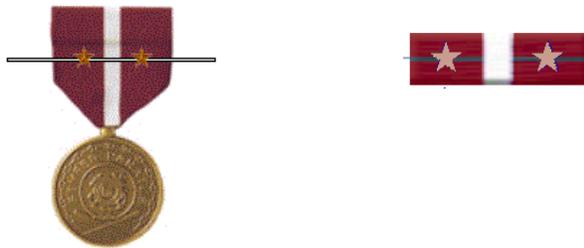
Attachment Illustration 1

Place single star as shown below:



Attachment Illustration 2

Place multiple stars of the same color as shown below:



Attachment Illustration 3

Placement of gold or bronze stars with a silver star. **With two stars, one silver and one gold or bronze, the silver star will be placed to the wearer's right, the gold or bronze star to the left. With three stars, one silver and two gold or bronze the silver star will be placed in-between the two gold or bronze stars on the medal or ribbon:**



Attachment Illustration 4

Hourglass and M devices are shown worn alone, together, and with multiple M award numerals on the Armed Forces Reserve Medal and Ribbon.



“M” device is centered when it is the only device authorized.

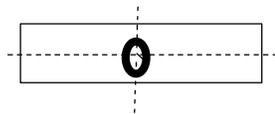


“Hourglass” device is centered when it is the only device authorized.

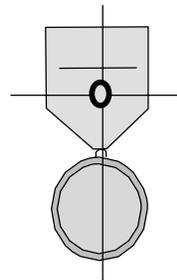
On the medal and ribbon, “Hourglass” device is placed at the wearer’s right, followed by the “M” device and the numeral which represents the number of times the “M” has been awarded.

Attachment Illustration 5

Wear of single letter attachments; silver Operational “O” device shown as the example.

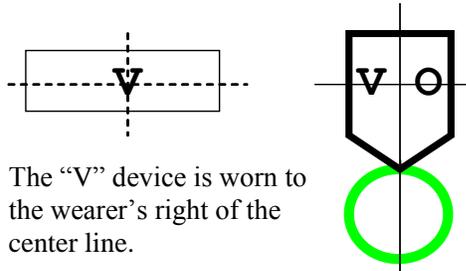


The silver “O” device is centered on the ribbon/medal.



Attachment Illustration 6

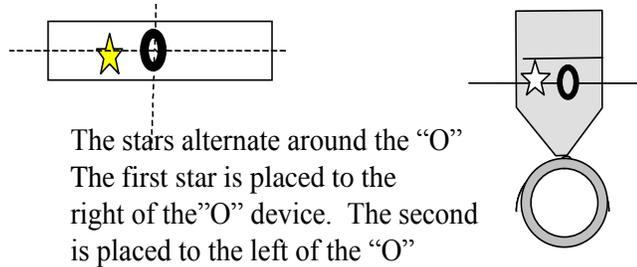
Wear of multiple letter attachments: the silver Operational “O” device with the bronze Combat “V” device is shown as an example. Note: The silver letter “O” device may be worn with a Combat “V”, but only if it has been issued for a separate award from the one that authorized the Combat “V”. When the Operational “O” and Combat “V” are worn on the same medal or ribbon, the “V” will be worn on the wearer’s right.



The “V” device is worn to the wearer’s right of the center line.

Attachment Illustration 7

Stars with letter attachment; the silver Operational “O” device and star is shown as an example.



The stars alternate around the “O”
The first star is placed to the right of the “O” device. The second is placed to the left of the “O”

3.G.3.B. DISPLAY OF RIBBONS WITH ASYMMETRICAL DESIGN

Ribbons which have an asymmetrical color design, or which have stars or gold frames as part of the design, will be displayed as follows:

- a. Medal of Honor Ribbon: The stars should be worn with 2 on the top row and 3 on the bottom row.
- b. Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon: The blue stripe will be uppermost
- c. Merchant Marine Mariner’s Ribbon: The red stripe in the center will be to the wearer’s right.
- d. World War II Theater Ribbons: The blue stripe in the center will be to the wearer’s right.

- e. Navy Occupations Service Ribbon: The black stripe will be to the wearer's right.
- f. Merchant Marine Combat Bar: The light blue stripe will be uppermost.
- g. Philippine Defense Ribbon: The stars will form a triangle base down.
- h. Philippine Liberation Ribbon: The blue stripe in the center will be to the wearer's right.
- i. Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon: The blue stripe will be to the wearer's right, worn with gold frame.
- j. Korean Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon: The red portion of the circular device in the center will be the uppermost worn with gold frame.
- k. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal: The blue stripe in the center will be to the wearer's right.
- l. Combat Action Ribbon: The outermost blue stripe will be to the wearer's right.
- m. 911 Ribbon and Medal: The outermost red stripe will be to the wearer's right.
- n. All Unit citations or awards with gold frames: Wear the leaf design on the left and right sides in the upright V position.

3.G.4. MARKSMANSHIP AWARDS AND ATTACHMENTS

Criteria for authorized marksmanship awards are listed in the Ordnance Manual, COMDTINST M8000.2 (series).

Eligibility: Expert medals and marksmanship ribbons shall be awarded for achieving the specified scores over the prescribed courses of fire contains in COMDTINST M8000.2 (series). In addition, expert medals may be awarded and marksmanship ribbon bars authorized if the qualifying score is attained during a match in which Excellence in Competition Badges may be earned.

The Rifle Marksmanship Ribbon is authorized for each Coast Guard person who qualifies as marksman or better with the service rifle.

- a. A silver "E" shall be attached to the ribbon for expert qualification. A medal is awarded with the "E" qualification.
- b. A silver "S" shall be attached to the ribbon for sharpshooter qualification.

- c. The ribbon is worn without any device for marksman qualification.

The Pistol Marksmanship Ribbon is authorized for each Coast Guard person who qualifies as marksman or better with the service pistol.

- a. A silver “E” shall be attached to the ribbon for expert qualification. A medal is awarded with the “E” qualification.
- b. A silver “S” shall be attached to the ribbon for sharpshooter qualification.
- c. The ribbon is worn without any device for marksman qualification.

3.G.4.A. MARKSMANSHIP BADGES

Marksmanship badges are worn centered 1/4 inch below the top of the left pocket flap. When large medals are prescribed, badges will be worn immediately below the bottom row of medals, so that only the medal line of each badge is visible. Badges will not be worn with miniature medals. Marksmanship badges are worn with a maximum of three in a single row and are arranged according to seniority from wearer's right to left. Only the highest-ranking badge for a specific type of weapon may be worn at any one time.

The President's Hundred Award, a full-color embroidered tab of black 4 1/4 inches (10.80 cm) in length and 5/8 inch (1.59 cm) in height, with the word "President's Hundred" centered in 1/4 inch (.64 cm) high white letters, is a badge awarded by the National Rifle Association to the 100 top-scoring military and civilian shooters in the President's Pistol and President's Rifle Matches.

The President's Hundred Award is worn on the left shoulder of enlisted uniforms.



3.G.4.B. MARKSMANSHIP RIBBONS

When ribbons are prescribed, personnel who have been awarded a Distinguished or Excellence in Competition Award may wear the appropriate attachment, illustrated below, on the appropriate marksmanship ribbon. The ribbons and the representative attachments are:

Award	Ribbon
Distinguished Marksmanship Award a gold plated replica of an M14 rifle target for wear centered on the Coast Guard Rifleman Ribbon	
Distinguished Pistol Shot Award, a gold-plated replica of an M1911A1 pistol target for wear centered on the Coast Guard Pistol Ribbon	
Rifleman Excellence in Competition Award (Silver or Bronze), Silver or Bronze replica of the M14 rifle worn centered on the Coast Guard Rifleman Ribbon.	 
Pistol Shot Excellence in Competition Award (Silver or Bronze), Silver or Bronze replica of the M1911A1 pistol worn centered on the Coast Guard Pistol Ribbon.	 

3.H. SWORD AND SWORD ACCESSORIES

Sword, scabbard, sword belt, and sword knot are required of all officers on active duty for wear with Full Dress uniforms. Chaplains and U.S. Public Health Service personnel serving with the Coast Guard do not require swords.

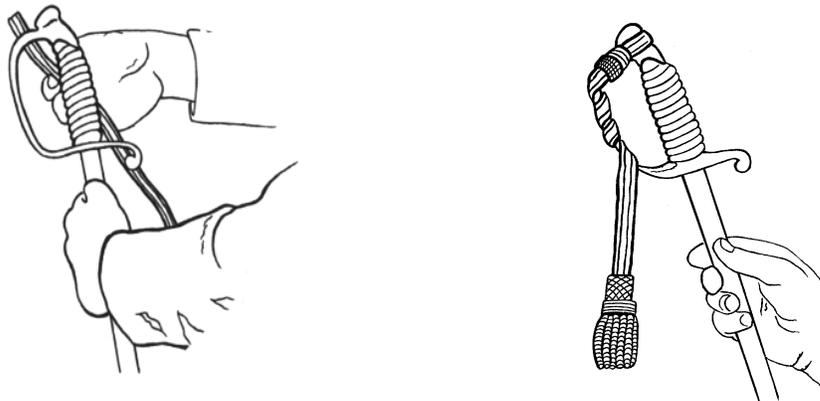
The senior officer present may prescribe the wearing of the Full Dress uniform without the sword for certain individuals, or on specific occasions when the wearing of a sword is considered inappropriate or undesirable.

The sword has a cut and thrust blade, from 26 to 32 inches long, half-basket hilt, and fits in a scabbard of plain black grain leather or synthetic material presenting the same appearance.

The sword belt is of plain black grain leather or synthetic material presenting the same appearance as the scabbard. It is 1-3/4 inches wide with 3/4-inch wide sling straps of the same material. The buckle is two inches in diameter with gold plate mounting. The sword knot consists of a 1/2-inch gold lace loop; 24 inches long with slide and tassel.

3.H.1. PREPARING THE SWORD KNOT

To prepare the sword knot:

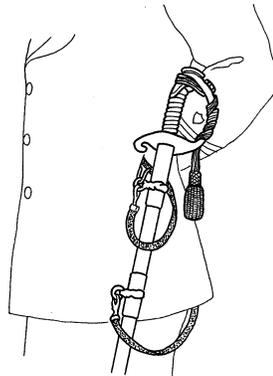


- a. Hold the sword with the blade pointing down and the handle to the left. Pass the end of the lace upward through the slit in the guard of the hilt.
- b. With the knotted end, take one turn (right to left) around the handle outside the guard and pass it through the eye of the bight. Adjust the lace slide as illustrated above.
- c. Take two or more additional turns down around the guard and let the knot (tassel) hang free.

3.H.2. MANNER OF WEAR FOR SWORD AND SWORD ACCESSORIES

The sword belt is worn under the dress coat. As a reminder, the sword belt is worn approximately six inches higher than the waistline, and sword belt sizing measurements should be taken from that position. The short belt strap and lock swivels are passed through the coat opening on the left side and the longer strap hangs free.

To attach the sword and scabbard to the belt, hold the sword with the right hand and attach the back swivels to the scabbard rings. The shorter strap is attached to the upper ring and the longer strap to the lower. Twist the sword one-half turn in a clockwise direction and suspend on the sword hook with the uppermost scabbard ring so that the sword's handle faces aft.



3.I. BRASSARDS AND ARMBANDS

Coast Guard commands are authorized to provide means of identification, such as brassards, armbands or similar items as appropriate for personnel performing following official duties:

- a. Officer Of the Day.
- b. Junior Officer of the Day.
- c. Shore Patrol (worn by members of the shore patrol and beach guard while on duty).
- d. Master at Arms.
- e. Armed Forces Police (worn by members of an Armed Forces Police Detachment).
- f. Captain of the Port (worn by personnel engaged in port security duties, when the captain of the port directs).
- g. Geneva Convention Red Cross (worn by personnel involved in medical activities so they may be readily identified for such purposes as emergency medical response or under combat conditions).

3.J. Military Funeral Honors

3.J.1. FUNERAL PARTICIPANTS

The following are offered as uniform guidelines for military funerals:

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| a. Escort Commander (Flag Presenter) | Full Dress Blue |
| b. Honor Guard Pallbearers | Service Dress Blue |
| c. Honorary Pallbearers | Service Dress Blue |

Other participants:

- | | |
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| d. Flag Presenters | Service Dress Blue |
| e. Firing Party | Service Dress Blue |
| f. Ceremonial Band | Service Dress Blue |
| g. Bugle Player | Service Dress Blue |

White uniforms are optional in the summer.

Personnel will wear mourning badges at military funerals while serving as honorary pallbearers or the escort commander. Personnel otherwise attending military or civilian funerals in uniform may wear mourning badges at their discretion. The badge will be made of black crepe, three inches wide and sufficiently long to fit around the arm. These badges are normally furnished by the funeral director at no cost to the individual.

- a. Officers will wear the mourning badge on the left sleeve of the outer garment, halfway between the shoulder and elbow.
- b. Enlisted personnel will wear the mourning badge on the right sleeve of the outer garment, halfway between the shoulder and elbow.

3.J.2. SWORDS AT FUNERALS

When the sword is worn, officers will also wear a mourning badge three inches wide and 20 inches long, knotted in the middle of the sword hilt.



3.K. MILITARY WEDDINGS

3.K.1. WEDDING ATTIRE

Groom and Best Man. May wear Formal Dress, Dinner Dress, Full Dress, Service Dress uniforms or civilian attire.

Bride and Maid-of-Honor. May wear Formal Dress, Dinner Dress, Full Dress, Service Dress Uniforms, or civilian attire.

Ushers, Bridesmaids and Immediate Family. All uniformed participants should wear the same uniform, but may be different from those worn by the Bride, Groom, Maid-of-Honor, and Best Man.

Guests. Wear appropriate Service Dress uniforms.

3.K.2 SWORDS AT WEDDINGS

Swords are not usually carried into a house of worship, but the sword belt without scabbard may be carried with Full or Dinner Dress uniforms with end clips fastened together. If you plan to form an arch of swords, through which the bridal party will pass, swords should be drawn outside the house of worship.

3.L. GRADUATION CEREMONIES

Participants in graduation ceremonies may not wear graduation caps, tassels, gowns or academic hoods with the Coast Guard uniform. The wearing of any civilian ceremonial regalia is prohibited while in uniform. Personnel awarded degrees above Bachelor of Arts or Sciences may drape the academic hood over the left forearm only.

3.M. MILITARY UNIFORM EQUIVALENTS

Coast Guard	Navy	Marine Corps	Army	Air Force	When worn.
Formal Dress Blue Worn Year - Round	Formal Dress	Evening Dress	Blue Mess/ Evening Dress	Blue Formal Dress	Official formal evening functions after 6:00 PM. State occasions, diplomatic service, (Equivalent to white tie).
Dinner Dress Blue Jacket Winter Function	Dinner Dress Blue Jacket	Evening Dress	Blue Mess Dress	Blue Mess Dress	Evening wear for social functions of general or official nature. (Equivalent to black tie)
Dinner Dress White Jacket Summer/Tr opical	Dinner Dress White Jacket	Mess Dress	White Mess Dress	Blue Mess Dress	Summer evening formal functions, dinners, dinner dances or club affairs. (Equivalent to black tie)
Dinner Dress Blue Dinner Dress White (Officers only) Summer/Tr opical	Dinner Dress Blue Dinner Dress White	Dress Blue A Dress White A	Army Blue (bow-tie) Army White (bow-tie)	Ceremonial Dress Blue Ceremonial Dress White	Same as Dinner/Mess Dress but less formal occasions requiring more formality than service uniforms.
Full Dress Blue Worn Year - Round	Full Dress Blue	Dress Blue A or B	Class A Army Green/Blue	Ceremonial Dress Blue	Worn year-round for Change of Command ceremonies, parades, and reviews when special honors are being paid, such as official visits of and to U.S. and foreign officials.

Full Dress White Summer/Tropical (Officers only)	Full Dress White	Dress White A or B	Army White	Ceremonial Dress White	Same as above as summer or tropical uniform.
Service Dress Blue Worn Year-Round	Service Dress Blue	Service A	Class A Army Green	Service Dress	Business and informal social occasions as correct for local custom.
Service Dress White Summer/Tropical	Service Dress White	Service A	Army White	Service Dress	
Tropical Blue Worn Year - Round	Summer Khaki or Whites	Service C	Class B Army Green	Service Uniform	To compensate for climate variations as per prescribing authority and where coat and tie are not required or expected
Winter Dress Blue Normally 1 Nov – 31 Mar, or as local prescribing authority dictates	Winter Blue Aviation Working Green	Service B	Class B Army Green	Service Uniform	
Operational Dress Uniform Worn Year - Round	Navy Working Uniform	Utility	Battle Dress	Utility	May be worn commuting and brief stops for gas or drive thru. This is not a liberty uniform. ODUs are allowed for wear while traveling on TDY (on commercial -air, bus, train, etc) with standard ball cap.

Chapter 4 - Special Uniforms and Clothing

4.A. Ceremonial Uniforms

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Ceremonial uniforms are worn by the Ceremonial Honor Guard, Precision Drill Team, Unit Color Guard, and the Coast Guard Band only. Ceremonial uniforms are worn as prescribed by their respective units to create the distinguished appearance desired. The Ceremonial Honor Guard and the Coast Guard Band receive a one-time cash supplemental clothing allowance to procure items in addition to the regular required sea bag items. See the U. S. Coast Guard Pay Manual, COMDTINST M7220.29 (series). All are also provided organizational clothing items as needed. See Organizational Clothing, Chapter 4.D. of this Manual.

4.A.1. Ceremonial Honor Guard

The Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard provides Coast Guard representation at official federal, state, local, and Coast Guard functions. Joint service participation for the Honor Guard and Color Guard Team is scheduled and directed by Headquarters and the Military District of Washington. Performances include full honors arrival ceremonies for visiting foreign dignitaries at the White House and Pentagon, firing parties, marching platoons, and wreath laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, state funerals for high ranking officials, Joint Services Color Details and Coast Guard funerals throughout the Washington DC area. The Full Dress Ceremonial uniform will be worn on the following occasions:

- a. All ceremonies at the White House, Pentagon, and Arlington National Cemetery.
- b. All full honor arrivals and departure ceremonies.
- c. All state funerals and all Coast Guard funerals.
- d. All Joint Service Color Details.
- e. Any other ceremony, as directed by the Military District of Washington.
- f. Any other ceremony as directed by the Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Telecommunication and Information Systems Command (TISCOM).

4.A.2. Training Center Honor Guards

Training Center honor and color guard teams participate in official government functions, marching platoons, parades, civil events, and also function to improve public awareness. The following units are authorized honor guards:

- a. Training Center Cape May, NJ.
- b. Training Center Petaluma, CA.
- c. Training Center Yorktown, VA.

4.A.3. Unit Level Color Guards

Unit level color guards participate in official government functions, local ceremonies, parades, civil events, and also function to improve public awareness. The following units are authorized color guards:

- a. Cutters, 200 feet or more in length.
- b. Shore units having 40 or more enlisted members authorized.
- c. MLC, ISC, and district offices.

4.A.4. Drill Teams

There are two drill teams: one is the U. S. Coast Guard Silent Drill Team composed of members of the Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard; the other is the Precision Drill Team at Training Center Cape May, NJ composed of members from recruit companies. They will wear their specialty uniform when performing for parades, festivals, sports, and civic events. They all function to improve public awareness of the Coast Guard and as an aid to recruiting.

4.A.5. U. S. Coast Guard Band

The U. S. Coast Guard Band is located in New London, CT. The Coast Guard Band is the official musical representative of the Coast Guard

4.A.6. Ceremonial Uniforms Composition

The table below lists required and optional uniform items for the Full Dress Blue (FDB), Service Dress Blue (SDB), Tropical Blue (TB), and Winter Dress Blue (WDB) uniforms.

Uniform Item	Ceremonial Honor Guard				TRACEN Honor Guard				Drill Teams ³				Unit Level Color Guard			
	F D B	S D B	T B	W D B	F D B	S D B	T B	W D B	F D B	S D B	T B	W D B	F D B	S D B	T B	W D B
Belt, Ceremonial Blue w/Buckle	X	X	X													
Belt, Trouser, Black w/Buckle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Belt, Military, White ¹	X	X	O		O	O	O		X	X	O		O	O	O	
Cap, Combination	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Coat, Service Dress Blue	X	X			X	X			X	X			X	X		
Gloves, White	X	O			O	O			O	O			O			
Necktie, Blue (Men)	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X		X
Necktie, Black (Women)	X				X				X				X			
Necktie, Blue Tab (Women) ²		X				X				X				X		
Shirt, LS, White (Men)	X				X				X				X			
Shirt, SS, White (Women)	X				X				X				X			
Shirt, LS, Light Blue		X				X				X						
Shirt, SS, Light Blue		O	X			O	X			O	X			O	X	
Shirt, Winter Dress				X				X				X				X
Shoes, Double Soled w/Cleats ³	X	X	X						X	X	X					
Trousers, Dress Blue	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Scarf, Bib Type, Blue			X				X				X				X	
Scarf, White	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X		X
Outerwear, as required	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Insignia, as required	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Medals, Large	X				X				X				X			
Ribbons	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Patch, Service ID	X	X	X	X					X	X	X	X				
Shield, Embroidered	X	X	X	X					X	X	X	X				
Aiguillette, Blue			X				X									
Aiguillette, Blue w/Brass Tip											X					
Aiguillette, White	X	X		X	X	X		X								
Aiguillette, White w/Brass Tip									X	X		X				

X = Standard Requirement

O = Optional Requirement

Notes: 1. As an optional item, a plain brass buckle, not larger than 3 inches x 4 inches, may be used with the belt, provided that all members in the detail are so equipped. For the Ceremonial Honor Guard, a plain brass buckle modified with a raised metal Coast Guard emblem (colored), centered thereon, is specified.

2. Women wear the men's standard blue tie with Winter Dress Blue.

3. As a mandatory modification, shoes will be double-soled with 1 ½ inch heels, in addition to horse hide tap on heel and metal toe tap with brass or steel plate on the inside of each heel.

4. Service Identification Patch. The patch is worn by the Ceremonial Honor Guard and Precision Drill Teams only. This is a curved patch with the legend "U. S. COAST GUARD" in white block lettering and flag blue background mounted at the right shoulder seam with blue thread.

5. Embroidered Shield. The shield is worn by the Ceremonial Honor Guard and Precision Drill Teams only. The shield is blue with six red and seven white stripes in the base of the shield. The entire shield is bordered in gold with a gold separation from the base of the shield. The shield has thirteen stars in the chief of the shield arranged in two horizontal rows, with seven stars above and six stars below. It is worn on the right sleeve 1/2 inch below the lower edge of the identification patch.



White Aiguillette w/Brass Tip



White Aiguillette

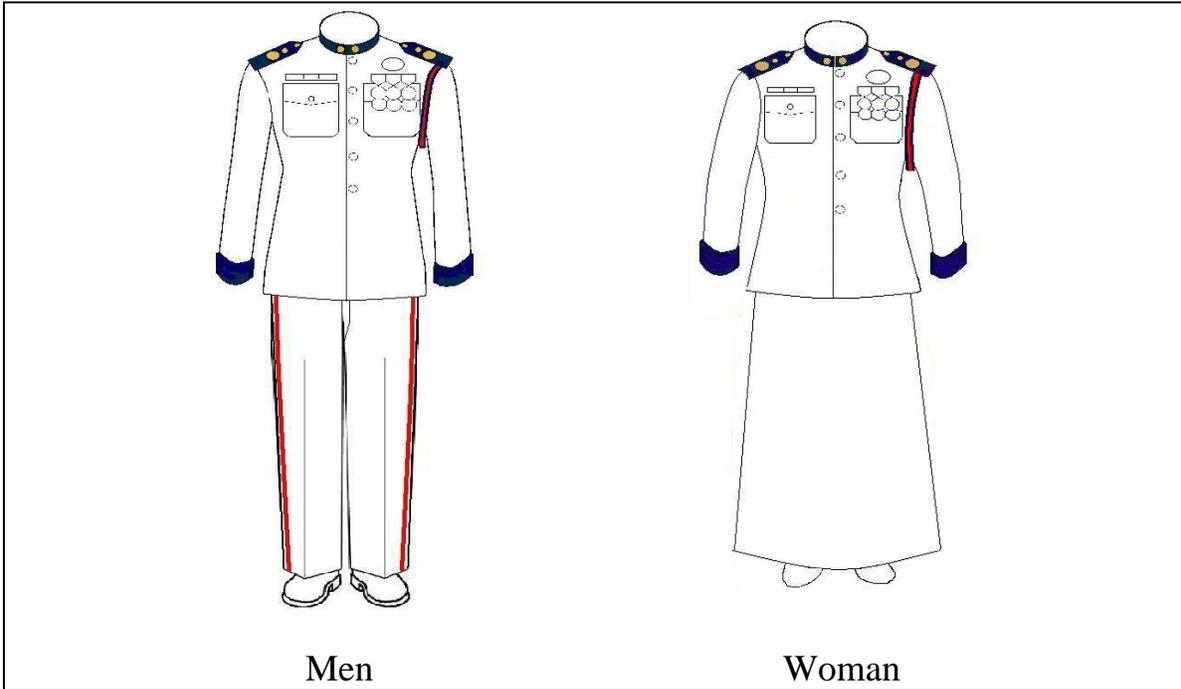


Blue Aiguillette w/ Brass Tip



Blue Aiguillette

4.A.7. Coast Guard Band Concert Dress Uniform



Men

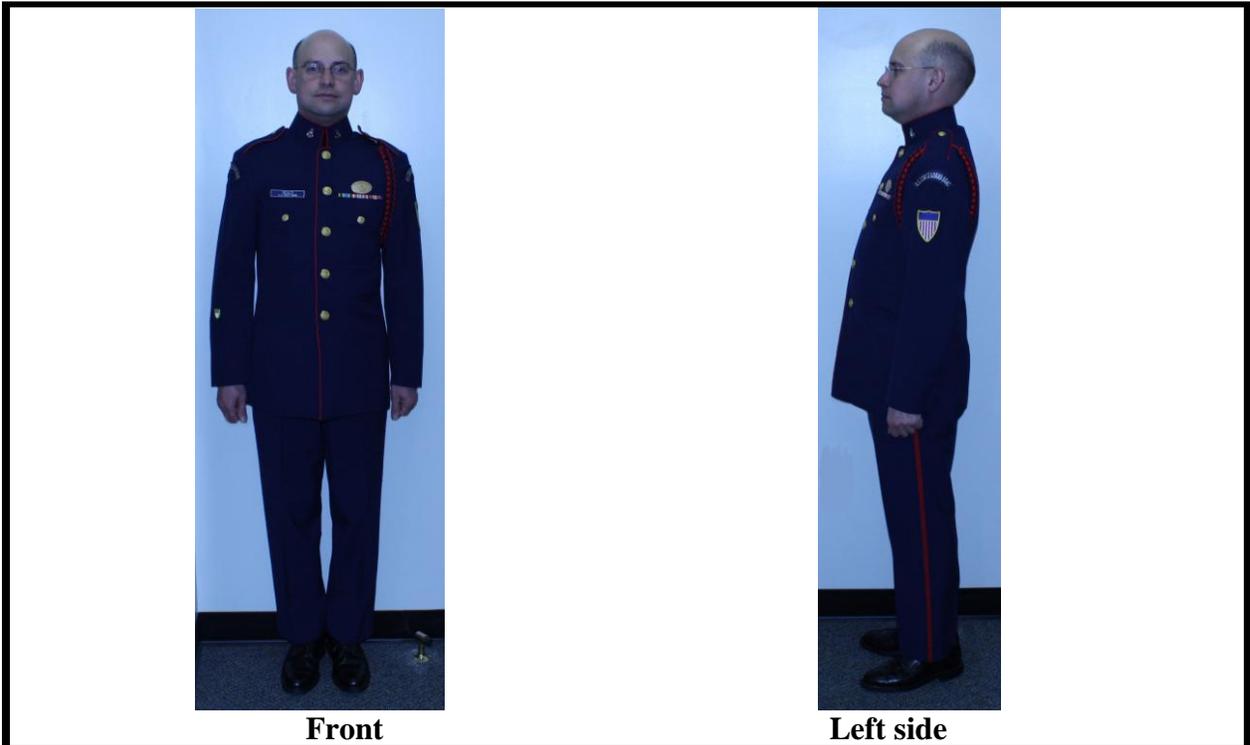
Woman

Item composing uniform	Comment
Concert Dress White Coat	Similar to SDW coat with stand up Coast Guard blue collar and cuffs.
Blue Trousers	For men and women. Same design as the Service Dress Blue trousers with a 3/8-inch scarlet stripe sewn on the outside seam from the bottom of the pocket welt to the bottom of hem.
Blue Formal Skirt	For women. A-line, floor length skirt in same blue fabric as trousers.
Shoulder-boards	Hard shoulder boards with a gold embroidered lyre and shield.
Collar Insignia	Worn on standing collar with insignia parallel to the vertical edge of collar and the center of the insignia on the midline of the collar, one inch from the vertical edge of collar.
Aiguillette	Red and blue aiguillette on the left shoulder.
Large Medals	Worn over left pocket.
CG Band ID Badge	Worn above medals on the left side
Ribbons w/o corresponding medals	Worn over the right pocket
Black Belt with Brass Buckle	

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Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks worn with oxfords. Flesh tone hosiery for women with long skirt.
Black Oxford Shoes	Worn with trousers for men or women.
Black Pumps or Flats	Pumps are mandatory with the skirt. Exceptions can be made on a case by case basis if flats are needed to operate instrument pedals.
Head Gear	Combination cap with Enlisted or Officer insignia.
Occasions for Wear	Formal concerts and appropriate high-level ceremonies, as directed.

4.A.8. Coast Guard Band Ceremonial Uniform



Front

Left side

	Comment
Ceremonial Coat	CG blue tropical weight wool/poly fabric with choke collar and chest pockets on both male and female versions. Coat has a 1/16 inch red piping attached on the front vertical edge of the coat (outboard of button holes, top and bottom of the choke collar, and bordering the shoulder epaulets.).
Blue Ceremonial Trousers	For men and women. Same design as the Service Dress Blue trousers in the weight and material as the Ceremonial Coat. A 3/8 inch scarlet red stripe applied to outside seam from the bottom of the waistband to the bottom of the hem.
Optional Skirt	For women it shall be floor length and from the formal Concert Dress Uniform.
Collar Insignia	Worn on the standing collar with insignia parallel and centered one inch from the vertical edge of the collar.
Officer Sleeve Insignia	On ceremonial coat for officers only.
Shoulder Epaulet	Shoulders will have a 1-7/8-inch wide epaulet with a 1/16-inch scarlet red piping border. Attached at the shoulder seam. The cloth will be the same as the coat. The epaulet will be attached with a '28' Coast Guard gilt button.
Black Belt with Brass Tip and Brass Buckle	Same as 3.C.8 (Black belt with brass tip).
Nametag	Same as 3.B.8 Service Dress Blue.
Ribbons	Same as 3.B.8 Service Dress Blue.

Optional Large Medals and Ribbons	If large medals are worn then ribbons w/o corresponding medals will also be worn. Medals over the right pocket and ribbons over the left pocket
CG Band ID Badge	Worn above ribbons or large medals on left side.
Aiguillette	Red and blue aiguillette on the left shoulder, under the epaulet.
CG Band ID Sleeve Patch	ID patch with the legend “U. S. Coast Guard Band” in white block letters on a flag blue background, curved to match the top of the shoulder. The patch is sewn on each sleeve, 1-1/4 inches below the shoulder.
CG Band Shield	Embroidered shield 1-13/16 inches wide and 2-1/2 inches high. Consisting of a blue chief, with six red and seven white stripes in the base. Entire shield is bordered in gold and the gold also separates the chief from the base of the shield. The chief of the shield has 13 stars, arranged in two straight horizontal rows, with seven stars above and six stars below. The shield shall be sewn on the left sleeve, 1/2 inch below the bottom of the curved “U. S. COAST GUARD BAND” ID patch.
Black Socks or Hosiery	Socks are worn with oxfords. Non-opaque black hosiery is optional for women when wearing pumps or flats.
Black Pumps	Pumps are mandatory if the Optional Skirt is worn. Exceptions can be made on a case by case basis if flats are needed to operate instrument pedals.
Black Oxford Shoes or Flats.	Worn with trousers. Oxfords for men and women, Flats for women.
Head Gear	Combination cap with Enlisted or Officer insignia. Garrison cap is optional unless medals are worn, and then the Combination cap becomes mandatory.
Occasions for Wear	Official ceremonies, change of commands, outdoor concerts and functions, parades, indoor school or informal concerts.

4.A.9. Other Coast Guard Band Uniform Items

Item Composing Uniform	Comment
Baldric	The Drum Major will wear a baldric when prescribed, with a main device consisting of the Coast Guard Eagle provided by the Institute of Heraldry. Below the eagle, the honors accrued by the Coast Guard since the French Naval War are attached.
Windbreaker	The Air Force single-breasted polyester/wool blend material jacket with epaulets modified to accommodate the CG Band aiguillette. Windbreaker may be worn in lieu of the Concert Dress White and ceremonial coats while traveling and with the tropical performance uniform consisting of the ceremonial trousers and Tropical Blue short-sleeved shirt with aiguillette

4.B. Duty as an Aide, Adjutant, or Executive Assistant

4.B.1. Military Aides, Military Adjutants, and Executive Assistants

Military aides, military adjutants, and executive assistants are personnel assigned as the personal staff of flag officers or other senior government officials or foreign heads of state to assist these persons. They wear an aiguillette for identification to facilitate the performance of their duties in support of their principal. The visual identification facilitates support of the principal's mission and prevents confusion during official occasions. Flag officers do not wear the aiguillette on their military uniforms. Members may wear the aiguillette only while performing the duties assigned. Aiguillettes are furnished and remain in the custody of the program requiring them.

Personnel assigned as aide to the President or aide to the Vice President will receive a one-time organizational issue-in-kind and tailoring required for additional uniform items from the supporting program element (**POC is the Protocol Officer**) due to the unique uniform requirements of these assignments as follows:

QTY	ITEM
1	Dinner Dress Blue (Jacket) w/Striping & CG Shield
1	Dinner Dress White (Jacket)
1	Blue Evening Trousers
1	Gold Cummerbund
1	Formal White Waistcoat
1	Formal White Pleated Shirt w/Cuff Links and Gold Buttons
1	Black Bow Tie
1	White Bow Tie
1	White Suspenders
1	Service Dress White Trousers
1	Service Dress White Jacket
3	Service Dress Blue Trousers or any combination of trousers and skirts for women
3	Long-sleeved Light Blue Shirts
3	Short-sleeved Light Blue Shirts
1	Combination Cap w/Cover, Band & Hat Insignia
1	Hard Shoulder Board Set
1	Enhanced Shoulder Board Set
1	Mounted Ribbon Set
1	Mounted Large Medal Set
1	Mounted Mini Medal set
1	White Oxford Shoes
1	White Web Belt
1	Trench Coat

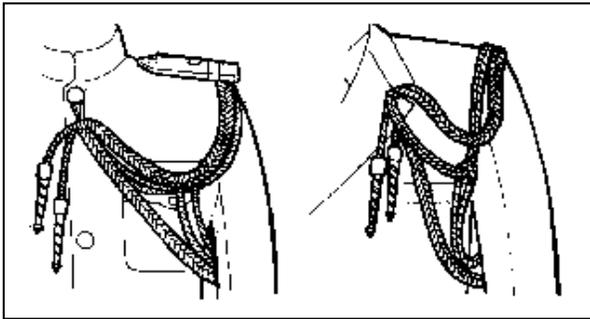
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1	Windbreaker
1	Untucked Operational Dress (UODU) Tops
1	Untucked Operational Dress (UODU) Trousers
1	Trouser Blousers
1	Safety Boots
2	Aiguillettes

4.B.2. Description of Aiguillette

Duty	Color of Service and Dress Aiguillette	Number of Loops on Service Aiguillette	Shoulder Worn
Aide to the President	Gold	4	Right
Aide to the Vice President	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	4	Right
White House Social Aides	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	n/a	Right
Aides to Foreign Heads of State	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	n/a	Right
Adjutant to Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	4	Left
Aides to Cabinet Members or Four Star equivalent	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	4	Left
Aide to the Commandant and Executive Assistant to the Commandant	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	4	Left
Naval Attaches and Assistant Naval Attaches	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	4	Left
Aides, Executive Assistants, and Chief of Staff for Vice Admirals	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	3	Left
Aides, Executive Assistants, Chiefs of Staff, and others as designated by the Flag Officer being served	Gold with dark blue spiral bands	2	Left
Ceremonial Honor Guard TRACEN Honor Guard	White w/Dress Uniforms Blue w/Tropical Blue Long	1	Left
Precision Drill Team	White with Brass Tips w/Dress Uniforms Blue with Brass tips w/Tropical Blue Long	3	Left
U. S. Coast Guard Band	Red with blue spiral bands	1	Left
TRACEN Petaluma and TRACEN Yorktown Class Advisor/Indoctrination	Red or Green	1	Left
Enlisted Aides/Drivers for Flag Officers	Blue	1	Left

4.B.3. Manner of Wear for Aiguillette



Dress Aigullettes:

The purpose of the aigullette is to clearly identify a Chief of Staff, Executive Assistant or Military Aide working in the capacity to support their assigned principal. When members attend other military events, but not acting in their official capacity of the Chief of Staff,

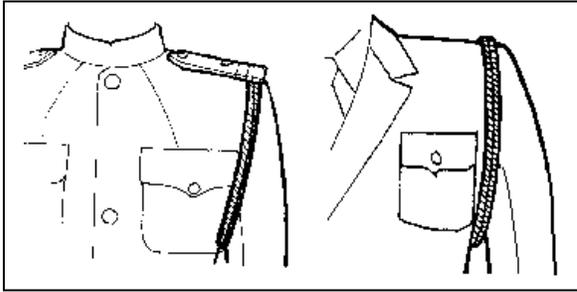
Executive Assistant or Military Aide, the wear of the aigullette is not authorized.

Dress aigullettes are worn with all Formal Dress, Dinner Dress, Full Dress uniforms, and on the outside of the trench coat.

Dress aigullettes are worn for official ceremonies, occasions requiring special honors, social functions for which formal invitations have been extended, appropriate social functions as required, and at all times by aides to foreign representatives.

On the Dinner Dress White and Full Dress White uniforms attach the clasp pin to the shoulder seam at the arm seam on the required side. The suspension loop/becket is attached to the top button of the coat.

On the Formal Dress, Dinner Dress Jackets, Dinner Dress Blue, and Full Dress Blue uniforms, attach the clasp pin to the shoulder seam at the arm seam on the required side. Sew a small flat button, covered with black silk, under the coat collar to secure the suspension loop/becket. The suspension loop passes through the notch in the collar and the pencils hang over the lapel with their suspension cords emerging from the notch in the lapel.



Service Aiguillette:

During day to day activities, service aiguillettes will not be worn on the trench coat, reefer coat, windbreaker woolly pully or cardigan sweater. For official ceremonies occasions requiring special honors and formal social functions wear

of the aiguillette of the trench coast, reefer coat, windbreaker, woolly pully or cardigan sweater is authorized. Service aiguillettes are worn with Service Dress, Tropical Blue and when authorized, the Winter Dress Blue Uniform. Service aiguillettes are not authorized to be worn on the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU). The cords will be bound together, lying flat, side-by-side, with a piece of gold lace and fitted with a clasp pin. Attach the clasp pin to the shoulder seam at the arm seam on the required side. The longest loop of the cords is worn on the inboard side closest to the wearer's body.

4.C. Special Program Uniforms

4.C.1. Public Health Service Officers

Public Health Service officers detailed to the Coast Guard will wear the standard Coast Guard uniforms as described in Chapter 3 with the specific modifications noted below. Specific USPHS uniform requirements are also listed in Commissioned Corps Personnel Manual (CCPM) Pamphlet No. 61, “Uniform Handbook.”

Newly attached USPHS officers will receive a one-time organizational issue-in-kind of additional uniform items from the supporting program element as follows:

QTY	ITEM	QTY	ITEM
1	Service Dress Blue Coat	2	Operational Dress (ODU) Shirt w/Nametapes
3	Service Dress Blue Trousers or any combination of trousers and skirt for women	2	Operational Dress (ODU) Trousers
2	Long-sleeved Light Blue Shirts	2	Trouser Blousers
3	Short-sleeved Light Blue Shirts	2	CG Blue Crew-Neck T-Shirt
1	Dress White Shirt (Long Sleeve Men, Short Sleeve Women)	1	Dress Shoes
1	Necktie, Blue (Men)	1	ODU Belt and Buckle
1 ea	Necktie, CG Blue and Black Tab Style (Women)	1	Belt, Black Web and Belt Buckle
1	Combination Hat	1	Ball Cap
1	Trench Coat	1	Safety Boots
1	Windbreaker	2	Plastic Nametags
1	Garrison Cap		

Insignia, devices, and striping are not included in the above issue. The cost of these items must be borne by the individual.

Item	Description
Cap Insignia 	USPHS will be worn in lieu of the USCG officer’s eagle. On the combination cap, the insignia is attached to the CG blue combination cap band specifically designed for the insignia.
USPHS Officer Identification Insignia	An embroidered USPHS insignia is worn in place of the Coast Guard shield on the sleeves.

	
Collar Insignia 	A miniature USPHS insignia is worn on the left collar when wearing the Winter Dress Blue or ODU uniforms. The right collar insignia denotes rank. See 3.D.1.d for insignia placement.
Shoulder Boards	USPHS officers will wear regular hard and enhanced officer shoulder boards with the USPHS insignia in place of the Coast Guard shield.

4.C.2. Chaplain Corps

U. S. Navy Chaplains detailed to the Coast Guard may elect to wear the standard Coast Guard uniforms as described in Chapter 3 with the specific modifications noted below.

Newly assigned Navy Chaplains will receive a one-time organizational issue-in-kind of additional uniform items from the supporting program element as follows:

QTY	ITEM	QTY	ITEM
1	Service Dress Blue Coat	2	Operational Dress (ODU) Top w/Nametapes
2	Service Dress Blue Trousers or any combination of trousers and skirt for women	2	Operational Dress (ODU) Trousers
3	Long-sleeved Light Blue Shirts	2	Trouser Blousers
3	Short-sleeved Light Blue Shirts	2	CG Blue Crew-Neck T-Shirt
1	Necktie, Blue (Men)	1	Black Belt
1	Necktie, CG Blue Tab Style (Women)	1	Black Subdued Buckle
1	Combination Hat	1	Ball Cap
1	Trench Coat	1	Safety Boots
1	Windbreaker	2	Plastic Nametags

Insignia, devices, and striping are not included in the above issue. The cost of these items must be borne by the individual.

Item	Description
<p>Cap Insignia</p> 	<p>U.S. Navy cap insignia will be worn in lieu of the USCG officer eagle.</p>
<p>Chaplain Corps Identification Insignia</p>  <p>Christian Jewish Muslim Buddhist</p>	<p>An embroidered Chaplain insignia is worn in place of the Coast Guard shield on sleeves.</p>
<p>Chaplain Collar Insignia</p>  <p>Christian Jewish Muslim Buddhist</p>	<p>Same as the Chaplain Corps identification insignia, worn on the left collar when wearing Winter Dress Blue or ODU uniforms with appropriate metal or sewn on devices.</p>
<p>Shoulder Boards</p>	<p>U. S. Navy chaplains will wear shoulder boards designed similarly to regular hard and enhanced officer shoulder boards except the chaplain insignia is in place of the Coast Guard shield.</p>

4.C.3. Prisoner Uniforms

Coast Guard members are required to have a full seabag prior to reporting to a military brig. Shower thongs, toiletries, and towels may also be required. Missing or unserviceable items are replaced at the member’s expense. If the member is not able to pay for the needed items, then the member may receive a gratuitous issue of the needed items.

Once the member is incarcerated, the Pay and Personnel Center (PPC), Topeka, Kansas, assumes the duties of managing Coast Guard uniform replacement. Gratuitous replacements should be on an individual “as needed” basis with an estimated maximum outlay of \$200.00 per person per year. Submit replacement requests on Form CG-3019 to PPC (Admin).

For all gratuitous issues, PPC will use the following accounting string to procure items: 2/P/Y01/299/11/0/UD/70050/2613. Note: “Y” denotes fiscal year of expense. If and when the member is able to repay the cost of the gratuitous issue, that cost should be recovered.

4.D. Organizational Clothing

14 U.S.C. § 477 provides that the Coast Guard may make "expenditures as are deemed appropriate for promotion and maintenance of the safety and occupational health of, and the prevention of accidents affecting, personnel of the Coast Guard, including the purchase of clothing, equipment, and other materials necessary thereto."

14 U.S.C. § 477 provides that appropriations available for the procurement of supplies and materiel or equipment are available for the purchase and maintenance of special clothing and equipment for the protection of personnel in the performance of their assigned tasks.

In order for an item of safety or special clothing to be authorized under the general authority of 14 U.S.C. § 477 as organizational clothing, it must meet all three tests below:

The item must be special and not part of the ordinary and usual furnishings an employee may reasonably be expected to provide for him/herself.

The item must be for the benefit of the government, that is, essential to the safe and successful accomplishment of the work, and not solely for the protection of the employee, and

The employee must be engaged in hazardous duty.

Organizational clothing is an unusually sensitive procurement area. Individuals responsible for purchasing organizational clothing are strongly advised to consult with their servicing procurement official to verify the appropriateness of intended organizational clothing purchases whenever there is any cause for doubt. All purchases of organizational clothing must be made in accordance with **Reference (e)**, Federal Acquisitions Regulations (FAR), Government Accounting Office (GAO), Principles of Federal Appropriations Law, Vol. 1, Article 4.C.13, and any subsequent Comptroller General Decisions.

All purchases must be documented citing why the regular required uniform items do not meet needed health or safety requirements. Once the unit and procurement office have determined that organizational clothing is appropriate, a Determination and Finding outlining the rationale should be placed in the procurement file in order to ensure the decision history is available. Purchases not in accord with these policies and decisions may result in a ratification action or the purchaser being held personally liable for the inappropriate purchase. Under **Reference (e)**, commanding officers may no longer authorize special clothing without the approval of Commandant **PSC (PSD-mu)** and CG-843.

Organizational clothing is Coast Guard unit-owned clothing that is issued to individuals. Generally, organizational clothing remains the property of the issuing unit and will be returned to the unit unless for sanitation reasons would not be reused. Items that are considered intimate, worn next to the skin, exposed to unsanitary conditions, chemicals, body fluids or sweat, or soiled beyond serviceability would not be reused. All organizational clothing items issued to personnel are accountable and will be entered on a Personal Clothing and Equipment Record (AF Form 538) and returned to the unit when member is transferred. Items may be transferred with personnel to other units with appropriate documentation accounting on a Requisition and Invoice/Shipping Document (DD-1149) for transfer to another unit. A copy of the AF Form 538 will be forwarded to the reporting unit when the member is transferred.

Unless otherwise required, organizational clothing should be either black or a dark blue similar to the Coast Guard blue. Organizational clothing will not include unit specific markings, logos, or other decorative items unless specifically authorized in this Manual, or a waiver is granted by Commandant (CG-1221) with (CG-843) concurrence. Organizational clothing with identification markings is authorized for personnel serving in positions where immediate identification is desirable for safety or to facilitate the performance of critical duties. The authorization for identification markings includes personnel serving as instructors or trainers such as firearms or law enforcement self defense trainers, fire and damage control trainers, and other training positions involving potential safety or health dangers. It includes personnel serving in specifically designated primary law enforcement or emergency/rescue positions, and others with a specifically defined need for identification. Identification markings are intended to identify the function of the wearer and are separate and different from unit specific markings or logos.

Request for organizational clothing waivers shall be submitted to Commandant (CG-843) through the appropriate program and through PSC (PSD-mu) for endorsements. Requests should be submitted by mail via Coast Guard Memo. A signed scanned copy of the request can be E-mailed in advance for urgent situations.

Organizational clothing for Coast Guard civilian employees, contractors, or other Government agency civilian personnel is strictly limited to health and safety purposes and is not within the purview of this Manual.

4.D.1. Boat Crew

Boat crew protective clothing and equipment is worn by personnel who routinely work as a member of a boat crew or as a member of a boarding team or inspection team. A description of authorized boat crew protective clothing and equipment is contained in **Reference (f)**.

4.D.2. Coveralls

Coveralls may be authorized for wear in those situations where normal work clothing would be rendered unserviceable due to irreparable damage or soiling. Coveralls will not be authorized for convenience, nor are they to merely replace work uniforms for normal daily use, but are authorized to be worn without ODUs at command discretion when working in heated environments and/or safety is a concern. The coverall will be the standard Navy coverall available through Federal supply sources, coveralls available from the Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), or coveralls of similar style and color available from commercial sources at lower price. White coveralls are authorized for Marine Safety Inspectors. If identification is considered essential, such as on law enforcement and marine inspection missions, it will be as directed in CGHQ program instructions or when no program instructions exist, it will consist of the initials "USCG" placed above the left breast pocket and across the back of the coveralls. The lettering will be white block letters, one inch high for the front, and three inches high for the back. Purchase of special purpose coveralls, such as fire retardant or insulated coveralls, will be handled in accordance with organizational clothing direction above.

4.D.3. Flight Crew

Flight clothing will only be worn by personnel whose duty orders place them in aircrew status, performing flight duties, or members of a Deployable Specialized Forces (DSF) maritime law enforcement/force protection/direct action section involved in tactical operations requiring flight. **Reference (g) and Reference (h)** lists individual flight clothing items and information on its care and use.

4.D.4. Food Service Personnel

Food service personnel working in the preparation of meals may wear the food service uniform consisting of:

- a. Shirt or Chef's Coat – White cotton or cotton/polyester blend with clear or white buttons.
- b. Trousers –Black and white hounds-tooth checked pattern, belted or draw string waist.
- c. Web belt – Black (Seabag item).
- d. Apron – White baker's bib-style or 4-way style apron.
- e. Safety Shoes – (Seabag item) Shoes must meet ANSII standards.
- f. Cap – Ball cap (Seabag item) or chef's hat with mesh inset. Disposable chef's hat is authorized.
- g. Rank Insignia – Metal collar insignia is authorized on the chef's coat, the white cotton shirt, and ball cap only.
- h. Nametapes – Not authorized.
- i. Unit logos are not authorized from appropriated funds.
- j. For special or ceremonial events, the wardroom service uniform consists of the above uniform items.

4.D.5. Special Command Aide

Special Command Aide (SCA) clothing will be as close to Coast Guard blue clothing colors as possible, conservative in cut, design, style, and wear. The organization clothing will complement the work environment while optimizing the SCA's functionality. Each representational facility has unique entertainment requirements. The following minimum requirements are authorized as the initial issue for each SCA.

QTY	ITEM
4	Khaki slacks
4	Dark blue/navy "Polo" style shirts
4	White chef's jackets
4	Black or black and white hounds-tooth checked pattern
4	Black, white, or gray waiter's serving jacket or vest
4	Black dress slacks
2	Bowties - black or gray

AFC-30 funds may also be used to embroider chef's jackets and "Polo" style shirts with "U. S. COAST GUARD" in 3/4 inch block style white letters only. Unit specific embroidery is authorized utilizing extraordinary expense funds (XXF).

While performing yard work or heavy labor, the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) may be worn to extend the wear and service life of organizational clothing.

The Foul Weather Parka II (FWPII) and a locally procured navy blue fleece pullover with no visible manufacturers label or markings are approved for outerwear. No other outer garments are authorized. A black or brown leather belt is required. While wearing the serving uniform, the service dress leather or high gloss synthetic shoe is required. When wearing the chef's jacket and chef's pants, leather safety shoes or boots are required. The member will bear the cost of the belt and shoes.

4.D.6. Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard, Precision Drill Team and Unit Level Color Guard.

The following items are provided to each member of the Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard, Training Center Honor Guards, and Unit Level Color Guards as organizational clothing. All items are returned upon completion of duty.

ITEM	Ceremonial Honor Guard	Training Center Honor Guards	Precision Drill Team	Unit Level Color Guards
Belt, White Military	X	X	X	O
Gloves, White Cotton	X	X	O	O
Scarf, White	X	X	X	O
Scarf, Blue	X	X	X	O
Cover, Rain, Combination Cap	X	X	X	
Thermal Underwear	O	O	O	O
Service Identification Patch	X	X	X	
Shield, Embroidered	X	X	X	
Aiguillette, Blue	X	X	X	
Aiguillette, Blue w/Brass Tips			X	
Aiguillette, White	X	X	X	
Aiguillette, White w/Brass Tips			X	
Back Brace	X			
Brass or Steel Clickers	X			

4.D.7 Hot Weather

During periods of Hot Weather commands are authorized to allow the removal of the UDO blouse for heat relief. The standard CG blue T-shirt as listed in 3.C.2 of this manual will be worn and tucked in at all times. Unit T-shirts are NOT authorized at any time with the CG uniform.

4.D.8. Cold Weather

Commanding officers may issue additional cold weather clothing when necessary to ensure crew safety and comfort. Cold weather clothing includes, but is not limited to, parkas, Mustang™ suits, polypropylene underwear, gloves/mittens, and the Government Issue G-1 leather flight jacket. The G-1 leather jacket is limited to use by aviation personnel in approved flight status **and currently on Flight duty** at the discretion of air station commanding officers.

Cold weather clothing may be worn with Coast Guard uniforms for commuting to and from work unless deemed inappropriate by the local command.

4.D.9. Judicial Robes

Personnel certified as judges in accordance with 26B, Uniform Code of Military Justice and designated by the General Counsel of the Department of Homeland Security as a judge may wear the judicial robe. The robe will be worn only when performing the duties as a trial or appellate judge, or in conjunction with courts martial, Court of Military Review, or ceremonial duties. An allowance for judicial robes is authorized to be established by the Chief Counsel, Commandant (CG-094), all district commanders, and other units with military judges attached. The robe will be fitted individually to the military judge. Identification will consist of the name and grade of the judge to whom issued and the words “Military Judge, USCG” placed on the identification tag provided within the robe.

4.D.10. Maritime Law Enforcement Instructors

Maritime law enforcement instructors are authorized to wear organizational clothing as prescribed in Reference (i), or to view online go to <http://cgweb2.comdt.uscg.mil/CGDirectives/Welcome.htm>

4.D.11. Medical Personnel

Medical personnel are authorized to wear scrubs and other special clothing for safety precaution in accordance with Reference (j).

4.D.12. Camouflage Utility Uniform (CUU)

Coast Guard personnel authorized to wear the CUU as a working uniform include members attached to the following:

- a. Deployable Specialized Forces (DSF). The Deployable Operations Group (DOG) Commander will establish the pattern/color scheme based on deployment schedule and operational commander tasking.
- b. Combatant commanders (COCOM), component service or JTF staffs in accordance with respective staff guidance.
- c. Cutter and support personnel in accordance with the operational commander's guidance and requirements.

The CUU is a working uniform and is not authorized for normal liberty or individual travel.

Standard Issue Camouflage Utility Uniform Items:

- a. Headgear – An eight-point, USMC-style cap will be worn squarely on the head so that the visor is on a line and just above the level of the eyes. The camouflaged utility sun hat may be worn when prescribed by the operational commander. All officers, chief petty officers, and petty officers will wear the appropriate large embroidered rank insignia centered on the front of the cap. The bottom of the insignia will be approximately 1 ¼ inches from the visor. No insignia is worn on the camouflage utility sun hat.
- b. Coat/Shirt – Worn outside the waistband of the utility trousers. Sleeves may be rolled up as prescribed by local authority. When authorized, utility sleeves will be rolled with the inside out, forming a roll approximately three inches wide, and terminating at a point approximately two inches above the elbow.

- c. Trousers – Will be the same material and pattern as the coat/shirt. When worn with combat boots, jungle boots, or combination combat/safety boots, the trouser legs will be bloused with garters so that the blouse covers the top row of hooks or eyelets on the boots.
- d. Belt and Buckle – 1 ½-inch wide color-matched nylon, or elastic woven web belt with subdued tip, and black open face buckle. The belt tip will extend two to four inches from the buckle.
- e. Boots – Appropriate boot for color-scheme being worn. Boot laces will be tucked into the boot and same color as the boot. **The boot will have a composite toe and will comply with the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) document number ASTM-2413-05 (as updated). Steel-toed boots are not authorized after 31 December 2012.**
- f. Socks – Olive green, khaki, or black
- g. Undershirts – Brown, cotton, quarter-length sleeve with a crew neck collar. Issued thermal underwear is authorized to be worn underneath the camouflage uniform during cold weather periods.
- h. Cold Weather Coat (Field Jacket) – Will match the color and pattern of the prescribed CUU.
- i. Insignia – Will be embroidered on fabric background that is color-matched to the CUU color-scheme.

Coast Guard CUU rank insignia has its own unique size that is larger than the regular CG collar insignia but smaller than the DOD insignia.

All ranks will be embroidered with black thread except for the rank of ensign and lieutenant commander which will be embroidered with spice brown thread; W-2 with spice brown and green thread; and W-3 and W-4 with black and green thread.

Appropriate rank/rate insignias will be worn by all officers, chief petty officers, and petty officers. The center of insignia will be placed at the point approximately one inch from the front and lower edges of the collar and vertical axis of the insignia will lie along an imaginary line bisecting the angle of the collar point. For flag officers, the insignia will be centered between the top and bottom edge of the collar, with the outer edge of the insignia approximately one inch from the front edge of the collar with the tone ray of each star pointing toward the top of the collar.

- j. Devices – Incumbent command afloat, command ashore, officer-in-charge afloat and officer-in-charge ashore embroidered devices are authorized to wear by eligible personnel.

- k. Qualification Insignia – A maximum of two earned embroidered qualification insignia may be worn.
- l. Badges – Command master/senior/chief and authorized badges will be embroidered and worn on the left breast pocket.
- m. Name Tapes – The wearer’s name is worn over the right pocket and the words “U. S. COAST GUARD” is worn over the left pocket. Lettering maybe ½ inch to ¾ inch block style on approximately 1 ¼ inch wide fabric strips. Both tapes will match the width of the pocket.
- n. Patches – Port Security Unit (PSU) patches may be worn at the discretion of the commanding officer of a commissioned PSU unit. Patches will be subtle, tasteful, and respectful. Patches will be embroidered using the same background color and outline thread as is used for name tapes. Unit patches will be centered on the upper left shoulder ½ inch below the top of the shoulder seam. U. S. flag patches are not authorized unless directed by the operational commander “and” overseas “or” assigned overseas with DOD. Patches for other units are not authorized.

4.D.13. Campaign Cover

The Campaign Cover (also Stetson Company Commander’s hat) is only authorized for Company Commanders at TRACEN Cape May. **Commanding Officer, TRACEN Cape May, may authorize its wear with the Service Dress Blue uniform and other less formal uniforms.**

The Company Commander Campaign Cover is a **dark blue**, broad-brimmed felt hat with a high crown pinched at the four corners.

The strap is cut so that the end forms a "v", worn so that the tab is to the wearer's left, not exceeding 1-1/2" past the metal buckle.

The cover device is the same device worn on the wearers combination cover (E-6 and below CG Shield, E-7 Anchor).

The cover is worn above the eyebrow line and tilted so that it forms a 45 degree angle with the strap and back of the cover on the wearers head.



Campaign Cover

4.D.14. Basic Physical Fitness Clothing (BPF)

The Basic Physical Fitness uniform consists of blue mesh shorts, with “Coast Guard” on the right thigh, and a gray Coast Guard T-Shirt. **Uniform Distribution Center is the single source of supply for all BPF uniforms.**

Physical fitness clothing outside of accessions is not organizational clothing and cannot be purchased with unit funds.

4.D.15. Training Caps

Red ball caps are authorized for small arms instructors while engaged in range operations and cutter training teams as needed.

Not to be worn to and from, but only during training evolutions.

4.D.16 Boonie Hats

Boonie hats are authorized as organizational clothing for operational environment only, not to be worn off base, when interacting with the public, or by law enforcement or boarding team members.

Only sew on rank insignia are authorized, placed in the front center of the front section. Authorized source of supply is the Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center.

4.E. U. S. Coast Guard Tartan

Active duty, reserve, retired, auxiliary, and others desiring to support Coast Guard activities through membership in pipe bands or pipe and drum bands are authorized to wear the Coast Guard Tartan as part of a piper's outfit by individuals and organizations affiliated with, but not an official part of the Coast Guard. The policy for wear of the tartan and piper's outfit will be drawn from military traditions rather than from Scottish ethnic traditions.

4.E.1. Fabric Description

The "U. S. Coast Guard Tartan" is registered with a thread count of W10 R10 CGB12 R2 CGB12. "W" is white; "R" is red; CGB is Coast Guard Blue shade #3362, which approximates the Dept. of Defense Standard Shades for Heraldic Yarns, cable #67180.



4.E.2. Use of Coast Guard Tartan

Individuals participating in pipe bands or pipe and drum bands normally wear the uniform and insignia required by the organization, but if they are claiming Coast Guard affiliation, they must use the official Coast Guard Tartan. Coast Guard Dinner Dress Blue, Dinner Dress White, Service Dress Blue, and Tropical Blue uniform items may be worn with the Tartan.

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5.A. Uniform Ordering

Wearing apparel and insignia stocked at the Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), located in Woodbine, NJ, and government issued items sold through the Coast Guard Exchange System stores are considered regulation uniform items.

All formal Dinner Dress, Full Dress White, and Service Dress White uniforms are available through the Navy uniform shops or Navy Exchange system.

5.A.1. Ordering Uniforms from UDC

Uniform clothing items may be ordered from the Uniform Distribution Center (UDC) by over-the-counter sales, telephone toll free at (800) 874-6841 or 609-861-1221, FAX at (609) 861-7930, or mail order. Refer to the UDC web site for current sizing and pricing information.

<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-w/g-wp/udc/index.htm>

Web Purchasing

Online ordering is now available from the UDC. Click [USCG UDC Web Store](#) to gain access. To login for the first time, select "Request / Change Login and Password" and complete the form in its entirety. An email will be sent to you containing your User Name and Password.

Over-The-Counter Sales

The UDC has two locations, one at [Training Center Cape May](#), New Jersey, and the other in [Woodbine, New Jersey](#). Neither location can accept cash, only credit cards, checks, or money orders. Active duty members may charge their purchase to their pay.

Cape May Location: Over-the-counter sales at Cape May are available Thursday's only from 0730 to 1500. They ONLY carry seabag issued items.

Woodbine Location: Over-the-counter sales at Woodbine are from 0730 to 1500 Monday thru Friday. They carry ALL mandatory and some optional uniform items and accessories.

Fax Orders:

Orders may be faxed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week including holidays, by using the online order form available. Cover sheets are not necessary. The UDC does not confirm faxed orders. Fax your order once only. Faxing an order more than once could result in duplicate charges to the member. If you do not receive your order within seven working days, call 1-800-874-6841 or (609) 861-1221 to check the status.

FAX NUMBERS: (609) 861-7930 or (609) 861-5632

Mail Orders: Mail orders to:

U. S. COAST GUARD
UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION CENTER
ATTN: CUSTOMER SERVICE
414 MADISON AVE.
WOODBINE, NJ 08270

5.A.2. Method of Payment

Either the Charge to Pay method, VISA, MasterCard, or personal check is an accepted method of payment. Individuals CAN NOT use the government credit card to buy personal uniform clothing items. All units using their unit credit card for purchase of organizational clothing from UDC must attach to their order a signed statement, from the supply officer, comptroller, or person certified to approve the unit's purchase, verifying that the use of unit AFC 30 funds is appropriate and approved for the purchase being made.

5.A.3. Returning Uniform Items

All uniform items may be exchanged one for one if they do not fit or they are defective.

Non-returnable items:

- All uniform items sold at reduced price.
- Items altered in any way after receipt.
- If more than three months from date of invoice, even if not worn. Requests beyond that period will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Shipping Costs:

Return mailing or shipping costs for returns are normally the responsibility of the member except for the below reasons, in which case, they may be returned at Coast Guard expense.

If the item is damaged or defective in any way:

In all cases the original shipping receipt/invoice must be enclosed in the returned box. Check current sizing charts on the UDC web site. Include the new correct sizing information and a correct shipping address and daytime phone number. Most post office boxes will not accept a parcel package.

Due to problems with returned items lost in shipment members are advised to ship their returns by one of the following traceable means:

- a. By the Department of Homeland Security authorized express and ground services carrier, with a tracking number.
- b. By U. S. Mail, Priority Mail with Insurance.

Member will retain a receipt of the shipment or mailing until the returned item has been replaced or otherwise resolved. Returned items lost in shipment will not be replaced without proof of shipment being made.

5.A.4. Uniform Prices

Uniform prices change periodically. For a current price list of uniform items, visit the UDC web site.

5.A.5. Ordering Special Sizes

Occasionally, personnel require clothing sizes, which do not exist within the supply system. In such exceptional cases only, the procurement of special measurement clothing is authorized. Special measurement orders are available for members who cannot otherwise get a satisfactory fit using standard-sized uniform clothing items. Special measurement items are non-returnable, except if made improperly by the manufacturer. To order, use the Women's Special Uniform Order form CG-6071 or Men's Special Uniform Order form CG-6072. Follow the measurement guidelines located in Chapter 6 of this Manual. Expect delivery to take several months.

FAX special orders to:

U. S. Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center
Attn: Manager
FAX: 609-861-7930

5.B. Uniform Care and Maintenance

All wearing apparel and insignia obtained from the Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), other Coast Guard clothing lockers, and government-issue items sold through the Coast Guard Exchange System stores will be considered regulation. Articles purchased elsewhere must conform to the military specifications in outward appearance and must not be of lower quality than that specified.

Uniforms will perform and last longer when they are properly maintained and cared for. First of all, read the label. If it specifies dry cleaning, the garment should never be washed. If it states that it is washable, follow the suggested guidelines for washing, bleaching, drying, and ironing on the label. When not wearing the uniform, keep it on a hangar. When storing for a long time, it is best to clean the uniform and then pack it in an airtight container with desiccant, a drying agent.

It is equally important to own a sufficient number of uniforms so that the garments may be rotated rather than worn day after day. Garments should rest at least 24 hours after wearing. Steaming or light sponging can help remove wrinkles. Wearing the same garment five days in a row will decrease its life substantially. Constant rubbing and sliding against rough surfaces break down the fabric surface. Repetitive work induced stress will affect the fabric's longevity.

5.B.1. Care of Operational Dress Uniform (ODU)

The ODU is machine washable on a permanent press setting. Wash uniforms in warm water with a mild detergent. Do not use chlorine bleach. If hand washing, wring gently and rinse with warm water. For best results, dry ODU items at a low heat or tumble dry for 10 minutes, then hang on a rust proof hangar to finish drying. Uniform may be pressed but be sure to set iron to the cooler setting for nylon/cotton blends. A pressing cloth is helpful to avoid shiny spots from the iron.

5.B.2. Care of Buttons

When the gold-plated buttons are exposed to moist air, they sometimes become covered with green copper carbonate. Carbonate can be removed by rubbing gently with acetic acid or any substance containing this acid, such as vinegar or Worcestershire sauce, followed by a thorough washing in fresh water.

5.B.3. Care of Gold Lace

Gold lace will rapidly tarnish and deteriorate if in contact with or hung near any substance containing sulfur, such as rubber or ordinary manila or brown wrapping papers. Gold bullion lace should be cleaned by an experienced tailor, although liquid non-toxic preparations and certain commercial liquid cleaners may be used if applied in conformance with the manufacturer's instructions.

5.B.4. Care of Metal Insignia

Use soap and water to clean the gold-filled parts and the sterling silver rhodium finished parts of metal insignia

The polishing or high gloss plating of Coast Guard qualification insignia originally finished in a single color (completely gold, silver, satin antique pewter or satin antique gold colored finishes) is authorized. Personnel must make this modification at their own expense. Polished or high gloss plated insignia are authorized for optional wear unless prohibited by the uniform prescribing authority.

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The plating or polishing of medals is prohibited.

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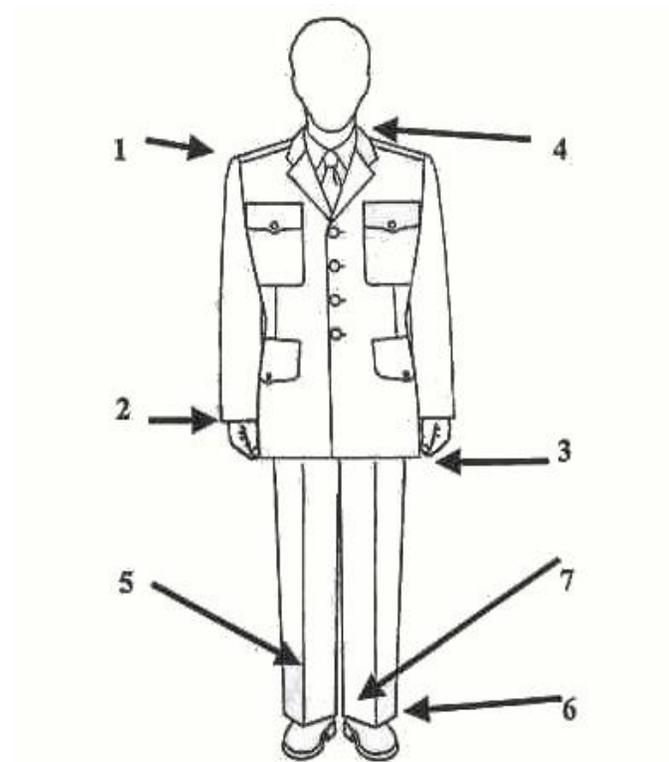
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6.A. Uniform Fitting

The wearing and appearance of the Coast Guard uniform should be a matter of personal pride to all Coast Guard personnel. Coast Guard personnel are representatives of the United States. Thus, their dress and uniform appearance should be of a quality to reflect credit upon the United States, the Coast Guard, and themselves.

The Coast Guard designs its uniforms to present a neat, comfortable, and functional military appearance. Adherence to the procedures contained herein will enhance the appearance of Coast Guard personnel.

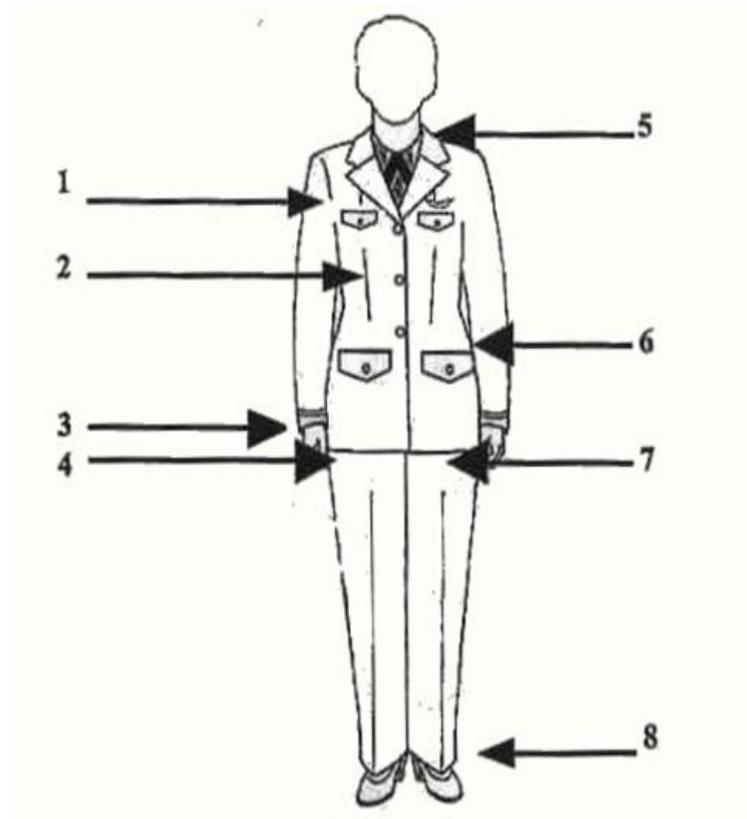
Fit of Men's Uniform Coat and Trousers



1. Coat fits easily over chest and shoulders.
2. Sleeves fall 1 inch below bottom of wrist bone covering the shirt sleeve.
3. Bottom edge of coat extends below the crotch (approximately to the tip of the thumb).
4. Shirt collar shows at least $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above coat collar at the center back of the coat.

5. Trousers have no breaks in the front.
6. The bottom of the front crease of the trousers will reach the top of the instep and be cut on a diagonal.
7. Back edge of the trousers will fall approximately midway between the top of the heel and the top of the standard shoe in the back.

Fit of Women's Uniform Coat and Slacks



1. The coat will fit comfortably across the bust. There will be no binding around the armholes when arms are moved. The front collar, lapels, and flaps will present a smooth appearance.

2. There will be sufficient looseness in the coat to permit a pinching of 2-4 inches of material at the bust.

3. Sleeve will fall 1 inch below bottom of wrist bone, covering shirtsleeve.

4. Bottom edge of coat extends below crotch (approximately to tip of the thumb).

5. Collar will fit closely at neck and smoothly at back. Shoulder padding should extend $\frac{1}{2}$ inch beyond edge of shoulder seam.

6. There will be sufficient looseness in the coat waist to permit a pinching of 2-4 inches of material at the waist.

7. The rise will allow 1 inch looseness to assure comfort and stride in normal movement.

8. The hem will be marked $\frac{1}{4}$ inch above the front of the shoe and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches below the top of the back of the shoe. The hem of the slacks will have a 2-inch turn-up.

6.B. Body Measurements

All body measurements, except height and feet, are taken with a tape measure and the subject clothed, wearing the appropriate undergarments, and without shoes. Foot measurements are taken with a special foot-measuring device. Measurements are to be snug but not binding, constricting, nor deforming.

6.B.1 Tools Required for Taking Measurements

Tailoring tool requirements:

Standard vinyl tape measure and/or narrow steel tape.

Standard height measuring device or wall chart.

Scale for weight

Hard Ruler, T-Square or L-Square.

Adhesive dots, tape, or marker to mark measuring points on the body.

6.B.2. Height

The height measurement is taken with a hard measuring device such as a ruled wall or the ruler on a weight scale; measurement is taken with the individual in bare feet. Measure the height from the top of the head to the floor. Measurement must be exact, as it regulates the length of the coat and the depth of the waist.

6.B.3. Weight

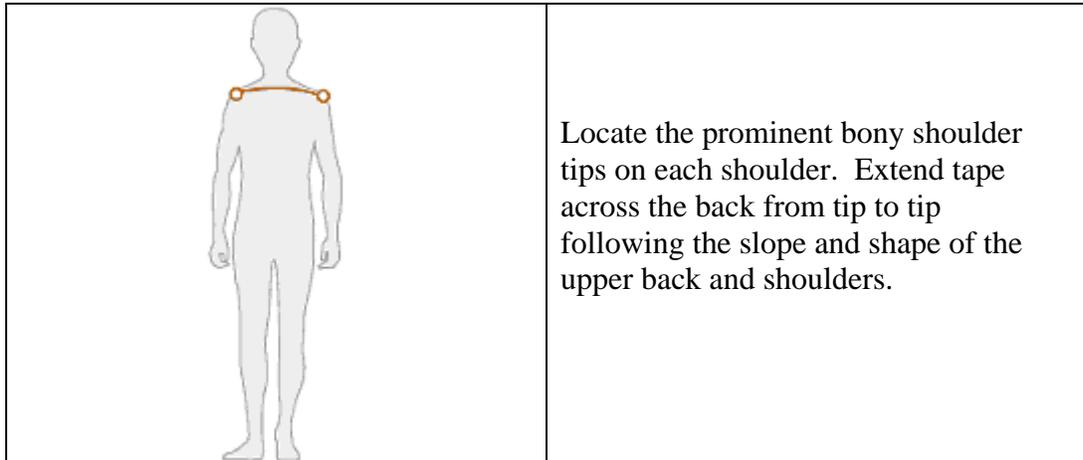
With weight evenly distributed on both feet, record the measurement to the nearest pound.

6.B.4. Head

Measure the circumference of the head with the tape placed across the forehead and over the temples.

6.B.5. Neck

With the head down, locate the prominent bony bump at the base of the neck at the top of the spine. Starting at that point, wrap the tape around the base of the neck, back to the starting point.

6.B.6. Across Shoulders

6.B.7. Shoulder Circumference

Wrap the tape around the body at the widest part of the shoulders and biceps. The tape will pass across the broadest part of the back and around both arms.

6.B.8. Chest (Men Only)

Wrap the tape around the body at the largest part of the chest. Keep tape parallel to the floor.

6.B.9. Upper Chest (Women Only)

Measure the circumference of the chest with the tape placed well up under arms and over the shoulder blades on a horizontal line, taking the floor as level. This measurement is taken snug, there should be no slack in the tape measure, nor should it be held too tightly. Take the measurement from the center of the back instead of the front, with the subject standing in a natural position and not with the chest fully expanded.

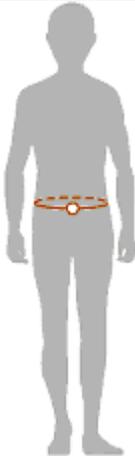
6.B.10. Bust (Women Only)

Measure the circumference of the bust with the tape placed level across the back, under the arms, and over the fullest part of the bust. This measurement is taken snug, there should be no slack in the tape measure, nor should it be held too tightly. Take the measurement from the center of the back instead of the front, with the subject standing in a natural position and not with the chest fully expanded.

6.B.11. Upper Abdomen

With tape parallel to the floor, wrap the tape around the body at the fullest part of the abdomen above the waist.

6.B.12. Waist

 A gray silhouette of a human figure from the front. A dashed orange line with a small circle at its center represents a measuring tape wrapped horizontally around the waist, positioned just above the hipbones and below the ribs.	<p>The subject stands with the abdomen relaxed. Keep measuring tape horizontal and measure the circumference of the waist with the tape placed just above the hipbones, just below the ribs, and about the level of the belly button. Tape should be snug, but not tight.</p>
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6.B.13. Lower Abdomen

With the tape parallel to the floor, wrap the tape around the body at the fullest part of the abdomen below the waist.

6.B.14. Seat (Men Only)

Wrap the tape around the body at the fullest part of the seat/buttocks. Keep tape parallel to the floor.

6.B.15. Hips (Women Only)

 A gray silhouette of a human figure from the front. A dashed orange line with a small circle at its center represents a measuring tape wrapped horizontally around the hips, positioned at the fullest part of the hips/buttocks.	<p>The subject stands erect. Measure the circumference of the hips at the fullest part of the hips/buttocks. with the tape placed parallel to the floor.</p>
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6.B.16. Thigh

Standing with feet apart, wrap the tape around the leg at the fullest, widest part of the thigh.

6.B.17. Left and Right Sleeve

The subject stands erect with the arms hanging naturally. Measure the length from the center of the back (top bone of the spine) across the shoulders, around the outside of the arm, and over the tip of the elbow to the wrist bone.

6.B.18. Biceps

With arms relaxed at the sides, wrap the tape around the upper arm at the fullest part of the biceps.

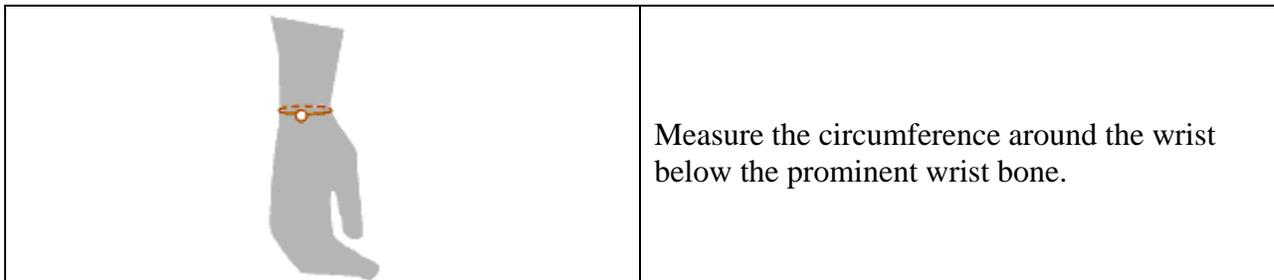
6.B.19. Right and Left Arm Inseams

Use adhesive tape to attach the 0” end of a tape measure to the broad edge of a ruler. Have the individual hold the prepared ruler comfortable under the armpit with the tape measure hanging straight down toward the floor.

The broad edge of the ruler should lie against the side of the body with the tape measure hanging from the middle of the armpit.

Have the individual relax the shoulders. Measure to just below the prominent wrist bone of the wrist.

6.B.20. Wrist



6.B.21. Back Waist Length (Women Only)

The subject stands erect with the arms hanging naturally. Measure the length from the center of the back (top bone of the spine bone) to the natural waist.

6.B.22. Back Coat Length

Have the individual place a ruler just under the buttocks. Place tape measure at the prominent bone at the neck base at the top of the spine.

Holding the tape measure in place, extend the tape straight down the center of the back, past the waist, and continue to the ruler placement. Measurement will be taken from the neck base to the top of the ruler.

6.B.23. Front Waist Length Over Bust (Women Only)

Place the tape measure at the bony bump at the back of neck base. Hold the end of the tape measure in place and extend the tape around one side of the neck to the front of the body. Continue to the fullest, prominent tip of one breast. Continue straight down from that bust point to the bottom of the waistband.

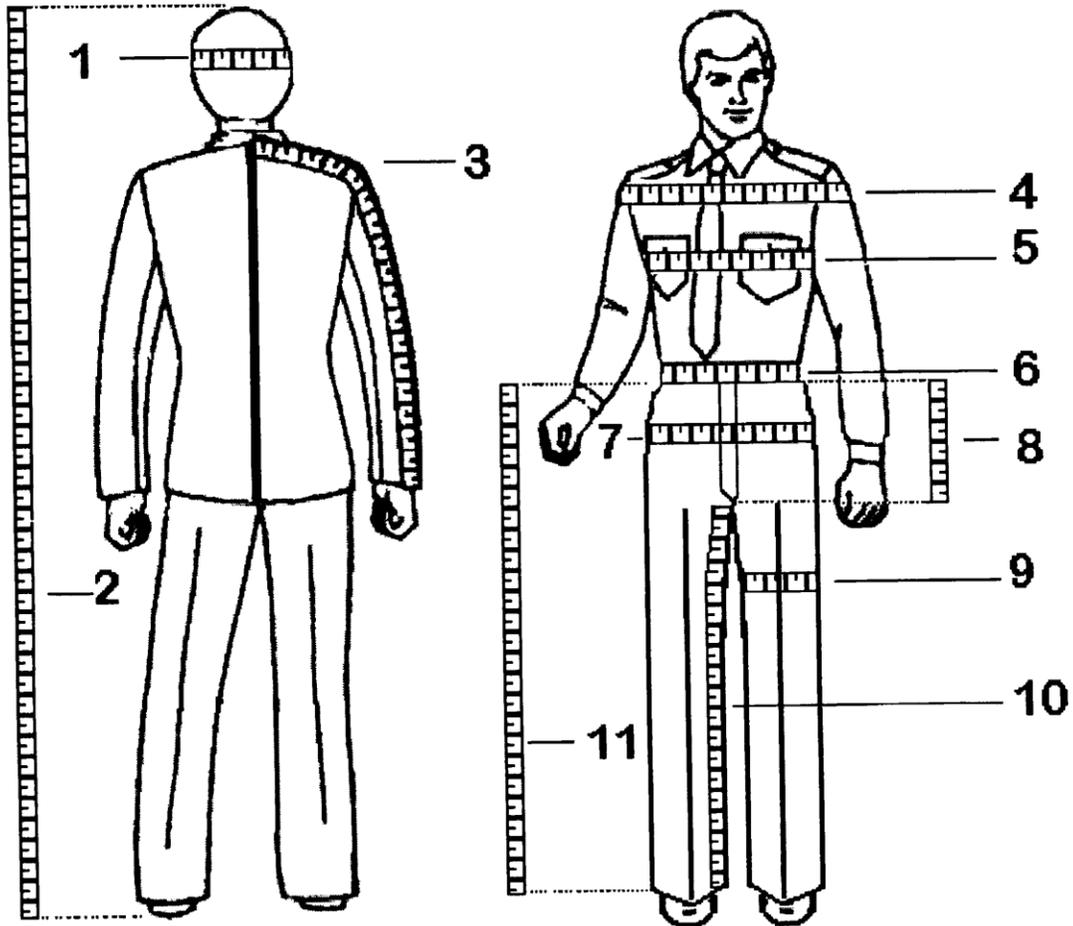
6.B.24. Leg Outseam

Have the individual stand without shoes. Hold the end of the tape measure in place at the lower edge of the waistband. Let the tape hang downward, over the hipbone, and extend to the floor. Measurement will be taken from the waistband to the floor.

6.B.25. Leg Inseam

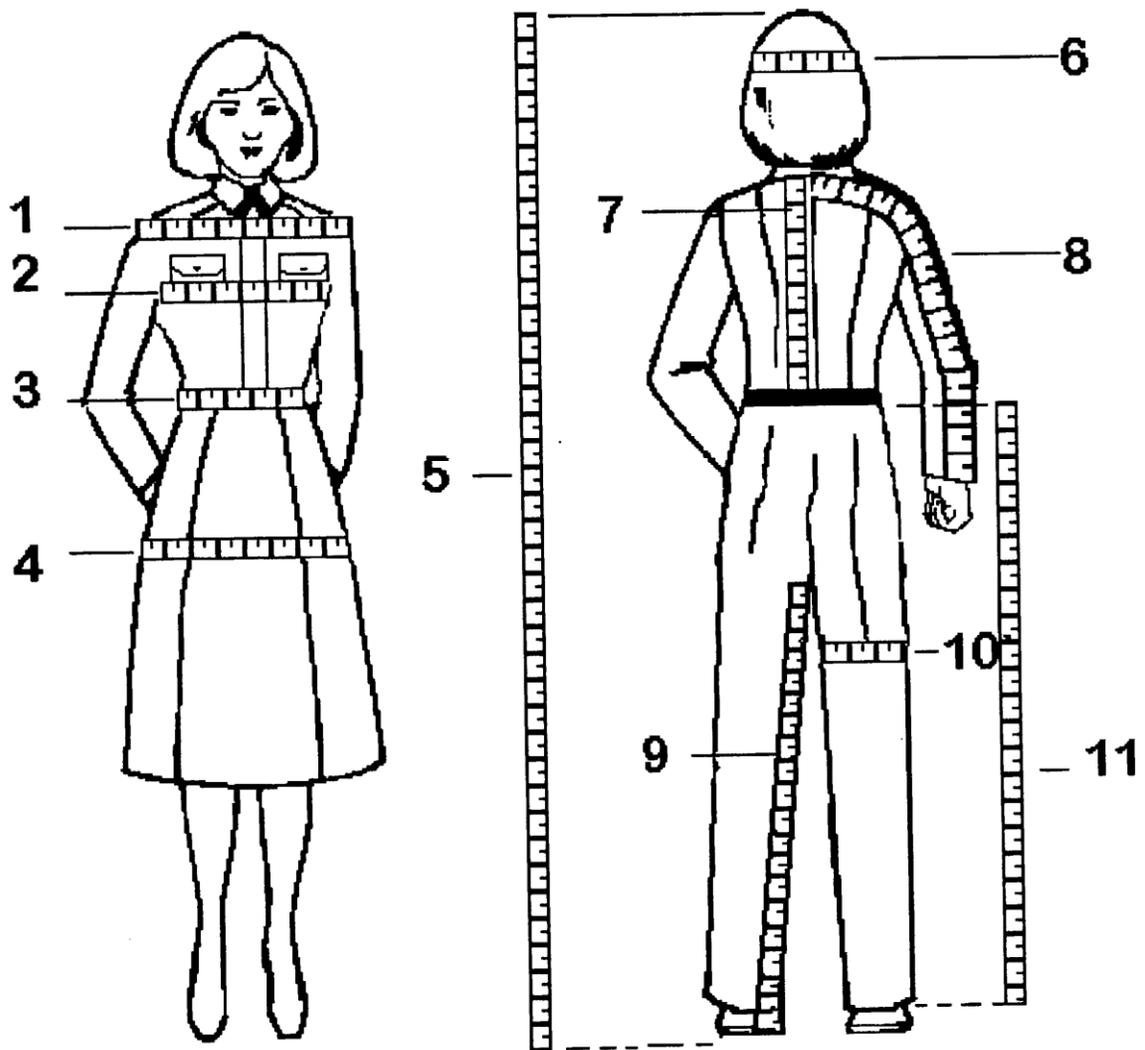
Have the individual stand without shoes. Hold the broad edge of the ruler against the inner thigh, comfortable up and in the crotch. Let the tape hang downward against the leg, from the middle of the crotch to the floor. Keep the ruler parallel to the floor. Measurement will be taken from the crotch to the floor.

6.B.25.a. Body Measurements for Men



1. Head (6.B.4.)	7. Seat (6.B.14.)
2. Height (6.B.2.)	8. Rise
3. Outside Sleeve (6.B.17.)	9. Thigh (6.B.16.)
4. Shoulder Circumference (6.B.7)	10. Inseam (6.B.25.)
5. Chest (6.B.8.)	11. Outseam (6.B.24.)
6. Waist (6.B.12.)	

6.B.25.b. Body Measurements for Women



1. Shoulder Circumference (6.B.7)	7. Back Waist Length (6.B.21)
2. Bust (6.B.10.)	8. Outside Sleeve (6.B.17.)
3. Waist (6.B.12.)	9. Inseam (6.B.25.)
4. Hips (6.B.15.)	10. Thigh (6.B.16.)
5. Height (6.B.2.)	11. Out seam (6.B.24.)
6. Head (6.B.4.)	

6.C. Special Measurement Clothing

Occasionally, personnel require clothing sizes that do not exist within the supply system. In such cases, the procurement of special measurement clothing is authorized.

A special order form must be completed, and all fields of the form need to be filled out. Men should use the Men's Special Uniform Order form, CG-6072; women should use the Women's Special Order form, CG-6071. Mail your order form to:

U.S. COAST GUARD
UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION CENTER
ATTN: SPECIAL ORDERS
414 MADISON AVE.
WOODBINE, N.J. 08270

Please note that it is a time consuming process to have a special ordered item completed. It could take several months for a special ordered item to be delivered to the UDC. The manufacturing and delivery of special order item(s) is out of the control of the UDC. Orders are forwarded to the USCG Clothing Design, and Technical Office, Natick, MA.

6.D. Men’s Fitting Guide

Personnel must try on each garment that is issued or bought. Every effort will be made to obtain the best possible fit from stock. This will reduce official and personal alteration costs.

The proper fit of any uniform cannot be made with the individual standing at the rigid position of attention. Therefore, when fitting is performed, personnel will stand erect without stiffness, keep their feet slightly apart, and hang their arms naturally at the side.

The following table lists alterations that are authorized. NO ALTERATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED ARE PERMITTED.

6.D.1. Authorized Alterations to Men’s Uniform Items

Alteration:	Trench Coat	Trousers	Dress Coat	Shirt – Long Sleeve
Shoulder Pad			X*	
Shoulder Seams			X*	
Collar-Raised/Lowered			X*	
Sleeves	X*		X	X* (1)
Side Seams			X*	
Back Seams			X*	
Bottoms		X		
Crotch		X		
Seat		X		
Waist		X		
Bottom Alignment			X	
Back- Raised/Lowered			X*	
Stripe Attachment			X*	
CG Shield & Group Rating Mark/Badge			X	
Buttons			X	
* For accession personnel only, alteration of these items must be approved by a designated Coast Guard Representative.				

Note: Both the long and short-sleeved versions of the light blue shirt may be altered to provide a better or more athletic fit. All shirt alteration costs other than those for recruit initial issue will be borne by the individual.

6.D.2. Shirt, Light Blue Long Sleeve

The fit of the light blue long sleeve shirt is determined by neck size and sleeve length. Determine shirt size by using the following table.

Size Selection for Men's Light Blue Long Sleeve Shirt										
Neck Size	Sleeve Length									
13	29	30	31	32	33	34				
13½	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
14	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
14½	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
15	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
15½	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
16	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
16½		30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
17				32	33	34	35	36	37	38
17½				32	33	34	35	36	37	38
18					33	34	35	36	37	38
19					33	34	35	36	37	38
20						34	35	36	37	38

FITTING

Each shirt will be fitted over an undershirt. The shirt collar and sleeves will be unbuttoned on all shirts except the long sleeved shirt.

There must be ample room around the chest and shoulders to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The collar of the long sleeve shirt will fit smoothly around the neck with sufficient room with an inch of ease.

The shoulder/arm seam will reach a point to the outer edge of the shoulder joint.

The bottom edge of the buttoned cuff for the shirt will cover the wrist bone. A tolerance of 1/2 of an inch plus or minus is acceptable.

ALTERATIONS

The long-sleeved light blue shirt may be altered to provide a better or more athletic fit. Shirt sleeves may be shortened. All shirt alteration costs other than those for recruit initial issue will be borne by the individual.

No other alterations are authorized.

6.D.3. Shirt, Light Blue Short Sleeve

The fit of the light blue short sleeve shirt is determined by neck size. Determine shirt size by using the following table.

Size Selection for Men's Light Blue Short Sleeve Shirt	
Neck Size (inches)	
	13, 13½, 14, 14½, 15, 15½, 16, 16½, 17, 17½, 18, 18½, 19

FITTING

Each shirt will be fitted over an undershirt.

There must be ample room around the chest and shoulders to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The shoulder/arm seam must reach a point to the outer edge of the shoulder joint.

ALTERATIONS

The short-sleeved light blue shirt may be altered to provide a better or more athletic fit. All shirt alteration costs other than those for recruit initial issue will be borne by the individual.

No other alterations are authorized.

6.D.4. Shirt, Long Sleeve Operational Dress Uniform (ODU)

The fit of the long sleeve ODU top for men and women is determined by height, chest, and sleeve measurements. The ODU is available in both odd and even sizes to fit the male and female body to the maximum extent possible. Members with larger hips and shorter sleeve lengths are encouraged to examine the fit of the odd sized ODU items before making final selection. Determine top size by using the following table.

Size Prediction Chart for Standard ODU Shirt (tucked version)

Odd Sizes	Height (inches)	Chest (inches)	Sleeve Length	Even Sizes	Height (inches)	Chest (inches)	Sleeve Length
35 Short	55" to 59"	35"	29"	34 XX-Short	55" to 59"	34"	30 1/2"
37 Short	55" to 59"	37"	29"	36 XX-Short	55" to 59"	36"	30 1/2"
39 Short	55" to 59"	39"	29"	38 XX-Short	55" to 59"	38"	31"
41 Short	55" to 59"	41"	29"	40 XX-Short	55" to 59"	40"	31"
43 Short	55" to 59"	43"	29"	32 X-Short	59" to 63"	32"	31"
33 Regular	59" to 63"	33"	31"	34 X-Short	59" to 63"	34"	31 1/2"
35 Regular	59" to 63"	35"	31"	36 X-Short	59" to 63"	36"	31 1/2"
37 Regular	59" to 63"	37"	31"	38 X-Short	59" to 63"	38"	32"
39 Regular	59" to 63"	39"	31"	40 X-Short	59" to 63"	40"	32"
41 Regular	59" to 63"	41"	31"	42 X-Short	59" to 63"	42"	32 1/2"
43 Regular	59" to 63"	43"	31"	44 X-Short	59" to 63"	44"	32 1/2"
45 Regular	59" to 63"	45"	31"	32 Short	63" to 67"	32"	32"
47 Regular	59" to 63"	47"	31"	34 Short	63" to 67"	34"	32 1/2"
35 Long	63" to 67"	35"	33"	36 Short	63" to 67"	36"	32 1/2"
37 Long	63" to 67"	37"	33"	38 Short	63" to 67"	38"	33"
39 Long	63" to 67"	39"	33"	40 Short	63" to 67"	40"	33"
41 Long	63" to 67"	41"	33"	42 Short	63" to 67"	42"	33 1/2"
43 Long	63" to 67"	43"	33"	44 Short	63" to 67"	44"	33 1/2"
45 Long	63" to 67"	45"	33"	46 Short	63" to 67"	46"	34"
47 Long	63" to 67"	47"	33"	48 Short	63" to 67"	48"	34"
39 X-Long	67" to 71"	39"	35"	32 Regular	67" to 71"	32"	33 1/2"
41 X-Long	67" to 71"	41"	35"	34 Regular	67" to 71"	34"	34"
43 X-Long	67" to 71"	43"	35"	36 Regular	67" to 71"	36"	34"
45 X-Long	67" to 71"	45"	35"	38 Regular	67" to 71"	38"	34 1/2"
				40 Regular	67" to 71"	40"	34 1/2"
				42 Regular	67" to 71"	42"	35"
				44 Regular	67" to 71"	44"	35"
				46 Regular	67" to 71"	46"	35 1/2"
				48 Regular	67" to 71"	48"	35 1/2"
				50 Regular	67" to 71"	50"	36"
				52 Regular	67" to 71"	52"	36"
				54 Regular	67" to 71"	54"	36 1/2"
				32 Long	71" to 75"	32"	34 1/2"
				34 Long	71" to 75"	34"	35"
				36 Long	71" to 75"	36"	35"
				38 Long	71" to 75"	38"	35 1/2"
				40 Long	71" to 75"	40"	35 1/2"
				42 Long	71" to 75"	42"	36"
				44 Long	71" to 75"	44"	36"
				46 Long	71" to 75"	46"	36 1/2"

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48 Long	71" to 75"	48"	36 1/2"
50 Long	71" to 75"	50"	37"
52 Long	71" to 75"	52"	37"
54 Long	71" to 75"	54"	37 1/2"
56 Long	71" to 75"	56"	37 1/2"
58 Long	71" to 75"	58"	38"
60 Long	71" to 75"	60"	38"
34 X-Long	75" to 79"	34"	36"
36 X-Long	75" to 79"	36"	36"
38 X-Long	75" to 79"	38"	36 1/2"
40 X-Long	75" to 79"	40"	36 1/2"
42 X-Long	75" to 79"	42"	37"
44 X-Long	75" to 79"	44"	37"
38 XX-Long	Above 79"	38"	37 1/2"
40 XX-Long	Above 79"	40"	37 1/2"
42 XX-Long	Above 79"	42"	38"
44 XX-Long	Above 79"	44"	38"
50 XX-Long	Above 79"	50"	39"
52 XX-Long	Above 79"	52"	39"

FITTING

Each top will be fitted over a dark blue crewneck T-shirt. The top's collar and sleeves will be buttoned.

There will be ample room around the chest and shoulders to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The collar must fit smoothly around the neck with 1/2 inch ease.

Note: Although this top is normally open at the throat, proper fit around the collar is essential for battle dress purposes.

The shoulder/arm seams will reach a point to the outer edge of the shoulder joint.

The bottom edge of the buttoned cuff for the long sleeve top will cover the wrist bone. A tolerance of 3/4 of an inch plus or minus is acceptable.

ALTERATIONS

Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.

Size Prediction Chart for ODU Untucked Shirt; Male

Shirt, ODU; Male Sizes Size Prediction Chart															
CHEST \ HEIGHT	32"	34"	36"	38"	40"	42"	44"	46"	48"	50"	52"	54"	56"	58"	60"
<i>XX-Short Height 55 - 60"</i>		34XXS	36XXS	38XXS	40XXS										
<i>X-Short Height 61 - 63"</i>	32XS	34XS	36XS	38XS	40XS	42XS	44XS								
<i>Short Height 64 - 66"</i>	32S	34S	36S	38S	40S	42S	44S	46S	48S						
<i>Regular Height 67 - 70"</i>	32R	34R	36R	38R	40R	42R	44R	46R	48R	50R	52R	54R			
<i>Long Height 71 - 73"</i>	32L	34L	36L	38L	40L	42L	44L	46L	48L	50L	52L	54L	56L	58L	60L
<i>X-Long Height 74 - 76"</i>		34XL	36XL	38XL	40XL	42XL	44XL	46XL	48XL	50XL	52XL				
<i>XX-Long Height 77 - 80"</i>				38XXL	40XXL	42XXL	44XXL			50XXL	52XXL				

NOTE: If chest measurement falls between sizes, order the next larger size

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FITTING

Each top will be fitted over a dark blue crewneck T-shirt. The top's collar and sleeves will be buttoned.

There must be ample room around the chest and shoulders to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The collar must fit smoothly around the neck with ½ inch ease.

Note: Although this top is normally open at the throat, proper fit around the collar is essential for battle dress purposes.

The shoulder/arm seams must reach a point to the outer edge of the shoulder joint.

The bottom edge of the buttoned cuff for the long sleeve top must cover the wrist bone. A tolerance of 3/4 of an inch plus or minus is acceptable.

The bottom on the untucked ODU must not go below the top edge of the cargo pockets on each trouser leg.

ALTERATIONS

Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.

6.D.5. Service Dress Blue Trousers

The fit of the service dress blue trousers is determined by height and waist measurement. Determine trouser size by using the following table.

Size Selection for Men's Service Dress Blue Trousers																						
Height	Waist Size																					
Short (S): Up to 5'6"	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42						
Regular(R): 5'7"-5'10"	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	44	46	48	50	52	54
Long (L): 5'11"-6'1"	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	44	46	48	50	52	54
EX Long (XL): 6'2"-6'5"	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42						

FITTING

The trousers will be fitted over undergarments, while wearing the dress shirt and dress shoes. A web belt with buckle will also be fitted to the trousers.

The proper position for fitting of all trousers is by placing the lower edge of the waistband squarely atop of the hipbones.

Trousers will be of sufficient looseness around the hips and buttocks to preclude gapping of the pockets and visible horizontal wrinkles with 2 inches of ease.

The fly of the trousers will hang in a vertical line without gapping.

The fit of the waist is secondary to a proper seat fit. If the seat fits well, the waist may be altered accordingly.

The length of the trousers must hang straight from the seat so the bottom of the front of the trousers will reach the top of the instep and be cut on a diagonal line to reach a point approximately midway between the top of the heel and the top of the standard shoe back. Trousers will have no breaks in the front.

Check to see that the crotch of the trousers has sufficient ease to allow comfort for the wearer. The properly fitted crotch in a trouser will exhibit no vertical breaks, display no drooping or appear to have a tight binding to the wearer.

ALTERATIONS

The bottoms must be hemmed.

The waist may be increased or decreased.

The seat may be increased or decreased.

The crotch may be increased or decreased (back only).

6.D.6. Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) Trousers (Tucked)

The fit of the Operational Dress Blue trousers for men and women is determined by inseam and waist measurement. Determine trouser size by using the following table.

ODU Trousers Size Chart		
Size	Inseam (Inches)	Waist (Inches)
X-Small X-Short	Up to 26 1/2"	Up to 27"
X-Small Short	26 1/2" to 29 1/2"	Up to 27"
X-Small Regular	29 1/2" to 32 1/2"	Up to 27"
X-Small Long	32 1/2" to 35 1/2"	Up to 27"
Small X-Short	Up to 26 1/2"	27" to 31"
Small Short	26 1/2" to 29 1/2"	27" to 31"
Small Regular	29 1/2" to 32 1/2"	27" to 31"
Small Long	32 1/2" to 35 1/2"	27" to 31"
Small X-Long	Over 35 1/2"	27" to 31"
Medium X-Short	Up to 26 1/2"	31" to 35"
Medium Short	26 1/2" to 29 1/2"	31" to 35"
Medium Regular	29 1/2" to 32 1/2"	31" to 35"
Medium Long	32 1/2" to 35 1/2"	31" to 35"
Medium X-Long	35 1/2" to 38 1/2"	31" to 35"
Medium XX-Long	Over 38 1/2"	31" to 35"
Large Short	26 1/2" to 29 1/2"	35" to 39"
Large Regular	29 1/2" to 32 1/2"	35" to 39"
Large Long	32 1/2" to 35 1/2"	35" to 39"
Large X-Long	35 1/2" to 38 1/2"	35" to 39"
X-Large Short	26 1/2" to 29 1/2"	Over 39"
X-Large Regular	29 1/2" to 32 1/2"	Over 39"
X-Large Long	32 1/2" to 35 1/2"	Over 39"
Large XX-Long	Over 38 1/2"	Over 39"
XX-Large XX-Long	Over 38 1/2"	Over 43"

FITTING

The trousers will be fitted over undergarments, with safety boots, and web belt.

ALTERATIONS

Adjust waist by straps on waistband.

Blouse the trousers outside of boots.

Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.

Size Prediction Chart for Untucked ODU Trousers; Male and Female

Trousers, ODU; Male and Female Sizes Size Prediction Chart							
INSEAM \ WAIST	X-SMALL Waist to 27"	SMALL Waist 27 1/2"-	MEDIUM Waist 31	LARGE Waist 35 1/2	X-LARGE Waist 39	XX-LARGE Waist 43 1/2"	XXX-LARGE Over 47"
X-SHORT <i>Inseam less than 26 1/2"</i>	XS/XS	S/XS	M/XS				
SHORT <i>Inseam 27" - 29 1/2"</i>	XS/S	S/S	M/S	L/S	XL/S		
REGULAR <i>Inseam 30" - 32 1/2"</i>	XS/R	S/R	M/R	L/R	XL/R		
LONG <i>Inseam 33" - 35 1/2"</i>	XS/L	S/L	M/L	L/L	XL/L		XXXL/L
X-LONG <i>Inseam 36" - 38 1/2"</i>		S/XL	M/XL	L/XL	XL/XL		XXXL/XL
XX-LONG <i>Inseam greater than 39"</i>			M/XXL	L/XXL	XL/XXL	XXL/XXL	

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FITTING

The ODU shirt will be worn over the trousers, safety boots, and web belt.

ALTERATIONS

Adjust waist by straps on waistband.

Blouse the trousers outside of boots.

Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.

6.D.7. Coat, Men’s Service Dress Blue

The fit of the men's service dress blue coat is determined by height and chest measurement.

The *Regular Fit Coat* is determined by a chest and waist dimension, e.g., 40-inch chest and 34-36-inch waist. It is a semi-fitted coat.

The *Athletic Fit Coat* is determined by a chest and waist dimension, e.g., 40-inch chest and 32-33 inch waist. It is an easier fitting coat at the chest, shoulders, back, and sleeve biceps than the regular fit coat.

Determine coat size by using the following tables.

Men's Service Dress Blue Coat Sizes																			
Height	Chest Size																		
Short (S): Up to 5'6"	3	3	3	3	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48						
	5	6	7	8															
Regular (R): 5'7"- 5'10"	3	3	3	3	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60
	5	6	7	8															
Long (L): 5'11" - 6'1"	3	3	3	3	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60
	5	6	7	8															
Extra Long (XL): 6'1" - 6'5"	3	3	3	3	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48						
	5	6	7	8															

Men's Service Dress Blue Coat Sizes																		
Height	Chest Size																	
Short (S): Up to 5'6"	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48	50	52	54	56
Regular (R): 5'7" - 5'10"	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48	50	52	54	56
Long (L): 5'11" - 6'1"	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48	50	52	54	56
Extra Long (XL): 6'1" - 6'5"	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	48	50	52	54	56

FITTING

The coat will be fitted over cotton underwear, long sleeve shirt, Service Dress Blue trousers, low quarter shoes, belt and buckle.

The shirtsleeve cuff must not extend below the coat sleeve.

The collar must fit closely around the neck and smoothly at the back. The coat will fit comfortably across the shoulders. The shoulders will be well balanced. The shoulder padding should extend approximately inch beyond the outer edge of the shoulder joint. There will be no folds or breaks across the top of the back, just below the collar.

The coat will fit comfortably across the chest. There will be no binding around the armholes when the arms are moved. The front collar, lapels, and pockets will present a smooth appearance.

There will be sufficient looseness in the coat to permit a pinching of 2-4 inches of material at the chest for *Regular Fit* and 3-5 inches for the *Athletic Fit*.

There will be sufficient looseness in the coat to permit a pinching of 2-4 inches of material at the waist for *Regular Fit* and 3-5 inches for the *Athletic Fit*.

The coat front will be smooth and balanced. It will present a vertical appearance. There will be no gapping, upward pulling, or crisscrossing of the front closure. The horizontal edges of the front panels will be even. However, a tolerance of inch is acceptable. The bottom of the coat front will be parallel to the ground.

The bottom edge of the sleeve must cover the wrist bone by 1 inch with a tolerance of ½ inch plus or minus.

The back of the coat should hang smoothly. There must be no horizontal wrinkles or vertical "waves". The *Athletic Fit Coat* back may have additional draping at the lower armhole area to compensate for arm movement.

The rear vent flap will hang smoothly and closed. It will present a vertical appearance. There will be no gapping, or upward pulling.

The horizontal edges of the back panels will be even. However, a tolerance of ¼ inch is acceptable. The bottom of the coat back should be parallel to the ground.

The bottom of the coat will cover the buttocks. Note: for most people, the bottom of the coat will extend to the bend of one's cupped fingers.

ALTERATIONS

The shoulder pads may be increased or decreased. The shoulder seams may be taken in only.

The collar may be raised or lowered no more than 1/4 inch.

The sleeve length may be increased or decreased.

The side seams should only be taken in or let out after the next smaller or larger size has been tried on.

The back seams should only be taken in or let out after the next smaller or larger size has been tried on.

The back may be raised or lowered.

Service stripe(s) will be attached in accordance with the section 3.D. of this manual.

Officer identification stripes and specialty insignia will be attached (at the officer's own expense) in accordance with section 3.D. of this manual.

The CG shield and Group Rate Marks will be attached in accordance with section 3.D. of this manual.

The front buttons may be moved in or out by not more than 1/4 inch.

No other alterations authorized.

6.D.8. Trench Coat

The size of the men's Trench Coat is determined by height and chest measurement. Determine trench coat size by using the following table.

Size Selection for the Trench Coat														
Height	Chest Size													
Short (S): Up to 5'6"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48						
Regular (R): 5'7"-5'10"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60
Long (L): 5'11" - 6'1"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60
EX Long (XL): 6'1" - 6'5"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48						

FITTING

The Trench Coat will be fitted over the service dress blue coat and will be one numeral size larger than the service dress blue coat.

There must be sufficient room across the shoulders and chest to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The collar and lapels will present a smooth appearance.

The sleeve of the Trench Coat will cover all undergarments. It will be approximately 1 inch below the wrist bone.

The Trench Coat will fit smoothly across the shoulders.

The front and back vents will hang vertically. The horizontal edges of the front and back panels will be even. However, a tolerance of ¼ inch extra length is acceptable on the front over-panel.

The length of the Trench Coat will extend to a point approximately 3 inches below the back of the knee. A tolerance of +/- 1 inch is allowed.

ALTERATIONS

The sleeve length may be lengthened or shortened.

No other alterations are authorized.

6.D.9. Work Jacket/Windbreaker

The fit of the blue work jacket/windbreaker is determined by height and chest measurement. Determine jacket/windbreaker size by using the following table.

Size Selection for Work Jacket/Windbreaker													
Height	Size Chest												
Short (S): Up to 5'6"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50				
Regular (R): 5'7" - 5'10"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58
Long (L): 5'11" - 6'1"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58
EX Long (XL): 6'1"-6'5"	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50				

FITTING

The Work Jacket will be fitted over the ODU uniform.

The Windbreaker will be fitted over the Tropical Blue Long uniform

There will be sufficient room across the shoulders and chest to permit free use of the arms, without binding

The end of the sleeves will cover all undergarments.

The bottom of the Work Jacket will cover the top of the buttocks.

ALTERATIONS

No alterations are authorized.

6.D.10. Combination, Garrison, and Ball Caps

The Combination, Garrison, and ODU/Unit Ball Caps are provided in the same numeric sizing system.

FITTING

It is important that the fitting of all caps be made by the try-on method. The size of all caps issued should be the same.

The front of the combination cap's frame and the bottom of the garrison cap's and ODU cap's front should rest approximately 2 finger widths (1-1 1/2 inches) above the eyebrows.

ALTERATIONS

No alterations are authorized.

6.E. Women's Fitting Guide

Personnel must try-on each garment that is issued or bought. Every effort will be made to obtain the best possible fit from stock. This will reduce official and personal alteration costs.

The proper fit of any uniform cannot be made with the individual standing at the rigid position of attention. Therefore, when fitting is performed, personnel will stand erect without stiffness, keep their feet slightly apart, and hang their arms naturally at the side.

The below table lists the alterations that are authorized. NO ALTERATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED ARE PERMITTED

6.E.1. Authorized Alterations to Women's Uniform Items

Alteration:	Trench Coat	Dress Coat	Skirt	Slacks	Shirt
Shoulder Pad		X*			
Shoulder Seams		X*			
Collar - Raised/Lowered		X*			
Sleeves	X*	X			X*
Side Seams		X*			
Back Seams		X*			
Bottoms				X	
Crotch				X	
Waist			X*	X	
Hip				X*	
Hemline			X		
Bottom Alignment	X*	X			
Stripe Attachment		X*			
CG Shield & Group Rate Mark/Badge		X			
Buttons		X			
* For accession personnel only, alteration of these items must be approved by a designated Coast Guard Representative.					

Note: Both the long and short-sleeved versions of the light blue shirt may be altered to provide a better or more athletic fit. All shirt alteration costs other than those for recruit initial issue will be borne by the individual.

6.E.2. Size Prediction chart for Untucked ODU Shirt; Female

Shirt, ODU; Female Sizes Size Prediction Chart								
CHEST	32" - 33"	34" - 35"	36" - 37"	38" - 39"	40" - 41"	42" - 43"	44" - 45"	46" - 47"
HEIGHT Short Height Under 63 1/2"		35S	37S	39S	41S	43S		
Regular Height 64 - 68"	33R	35R	37R	39R	41R	43R	45R	47R
Long Height 68 1/2" - 70"		35L	37L	39L	41L	43L	45L	47L
X-Long Height Over 70 1/2"				39XL	41XL	43XL	45XL	

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FITTING

Each top will be fitted over a dark blue crewneck T-shirt. The top’s collar and sleeves will be buttoned.

There must be ample room around the chest and shoulders to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The collar must fit smoothly around the neck with 1/2 inch ease.

Note: Although this top is normally open at the throat, proper fit around the collar is essential for battle dress purposes.

The shoulder/arm seams must reach a point to the outer edge of the shoulder joint.

The bottom edge of the buttoned cuff for the long sleeve top must cover the wrist bone. A tolerance of 3/4 of an inch plus or minus is acceptable.

The bottom on the untucked ODU must not go below the top edge of the cargo pockets on each trouser leg.

ALTERATIONS

Minor tailoring is allowed so the uniform may be given a more appropriate fit. The overarching design shall not be altered.

6.E.3. Shirt, Light Blue, Long and Short Sleeve

The fit of the light blue long sleeve shirt is determined by neck size, bust size, and sleeve length. Neck size and bust size determine the fit of the light blue short sleeve shirt. Determine shirt size by using the following table.

Current Sizes for Women's Light Blue Long and Short Sleeve Shirt							
		Sleeve Lengths					
		Long					Short
Neck	Bust	26"/27"	28"/29"	30"/31"	32"/33"	34"/35"	4"
12 1/2	34	X	X	X	X		X
	36		X	X	X	X	X
13	34	X	X	X	X	X	X
	36		X	X	X	X	X
	38		X	X	X	X	X
	40		X	X	X	X	X
13 1/2	34	X	X	X	X	X	X
	36	X	X	X	X	X	X
	38		X	X	X	X	X
	40		X	X	X	X	X
	42			X	X	X	X
14	34		X	X	X	X	X
	36		X	X	X	X	X
	38		X	X	X	X	X
	40		X	X	X	X	X
	42			X	X	X	X
14 1/2	34			X	X		X
	36			X	X		X
	38		X	X	X	X	X
	40			X	X	X	X
	42			X	X	X	X
15	34			X	X		X
	36			X	X	X	X
	38			X	X	X	X
	40		X	X	X	X	X
	42			X	X	X	X
15 1/2	38			X	X		X
	40			X	X		X
	42			X	X	X	X
	44			X	X	X	X
16	42			X	X		X
	44			X	X	X	X
	46			X	X	X	X
16 1/2	42			X	X		X
	44			X	X	X	X
	46			X	X	X	X

FITTING

Each shirt will be fitted over a brassiere. The shirt collar and sleeves will be buttoned and the cuff on the long sleeved shirts will be buttoned.

There will be ample room around the bust and shoulders to permit free use of the arms, without binding.

The collar of the long and short sleeve shirts will fit smoothly around the neck with 1/2-inch ease.

The shoulder/sleeve seam will reach a point to the outer edge of the shoulder joint.

The bottom edge of the buttoned cuff for the long sleeve shirt will cover the wrist bone. A tolerance of 1/2 inch plus or minus is acceptable.

ALTERATIONS

The sleeve of the long sleeve shirt may be shortened.

No other alterations are authorized.

6.E.4. Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) Trousers

See Section 6.D.6. This is a Unisex item. Fitting is the same for both men and women.

6.E.5. Service Dress Blue Slacks

The fit of the service dress blue slacks is determined by height, waist, and hip measurements. Determine size of slacks by using the following table.

Flat Front Sizes			
Size	Waist (inches)	Hip (inches)	
4M	24	35	
6J	25	34	
6M	25	36	
6W	25	38	
8J	26	35	Sizes: J=Junior M=Misses W=Women's Height/Lengths: S=Short (under 5' 3½") R=Regular (5'4" - 5'7") L=Long (over 5'7½")
8M	26	37	
8W	26	39	
10J	28	36	
10M	28	38	
10W	28	40	
12J	29 1/2	38	
12M	29 1/2	40	
12W	29 1/2	42	
14J	31	40	
14M	31	42	
14W	31	44	
16J	33	42	
16M	33	44	
16W	33	46	
18J	35	44	
18M	35	46	
18W	35	48	
20M	37	48	
20W	37	50	
22W	39	52	

FITTING

The slacks will be fitted over undergarments, while wearing the dress shirt and service shoes.

The proper position for the fitting of all slacks is by placing the lower edge of the waistband squarely atop of the natural waist.

The slacks will fit comfortably around the waist, hips, and crotch.

There will be sufficient looseness around the hips and buttocks to prevent horizontal wrinkles with 2-3 inches of ease.

The fit of the waist is secondary to hip girth. If the hip fits well, the waist may be altered accordingly.

The rise is that measurement from the crotch to the bottom of the waistband. The rise of the slacks will allow 1 inch to 1 3/4 inches looseness to assure for comfort and stride in normal movements such as sitting down, ascending steps, and marching.

The hem will be marked at the front of each leg at a point that is even to 1/4 inch above the front of the shoe. A separate hem mark will be made at the back of each leg at a point which is 1 1/2 inches below the top of the back of the shoe. The hem of the slacks will have a 2-inch turn-up. These procedures will create finished slacks, which fall without a break.

ALTERATIONS

The bottoms must be hemmed.

The waist may be increased or decreased.

The crotch may be increased or decreased.

The hip may be increased or decreased.

6.E.6. Skirt, Service Dress Blue

The fit of the women's Service Dress Blue skirt is determined by height, waist, and hip measurements. The size selection for women's Service Dress Blue skirt is the same as for the Service Dress Blue trousers. Determine size of trousers by using the previous table.

FITTING

The skirt will be fitted over undergarments (including a slip) and a long sleeved light blue shirt.

The proper position for the fitting of the skirt is by placing the lower edge of the waistband squarely atop of the natural waist.

The skirt will fit comfortably around the waist.

There will be sufficient looseness around the hips and buttocks to prevent horizontal wrinkles.

The hem will be marked at a point that ranges from the crease of the back of the knee to 3 inches below the knee. If a trench coat is worn with the skirt, ensure the skirt does not extend beyond the length of the coat.

The hem of the skirt will have a 2-3 inch turn-up and the finished bottom of the skirt will be parallel to the floor.

ALTERATIONS

The skirt must be hemmed.

The waist may be increased or decreased.

6.E.7. Coat, Women's Service Dress Blue

The fit of the women's Service Dress Blue coat is determined by hip and bust measurement, e.g., 36 inch bust and 38 inch hip = 10M. The length of the coat extends to the crease of the buttocks. It has a loose fitting chest, bust, shoulder, back waist, sleeve, and biceps. Determine coat size by using the following table.

Body Measurements and Related Schedule of Available Sizes for Women's SDB Jackets		
Bust *	Hip *	Available Size at UDC
32	35	4M
33	34	6J
	36	6M
	38	6W
34	35	8J
	37	8M
	39	8W
36	36	10J
	38	10M
	40	10W
37 ½	38	12J
	40	12M
	42	12W
39	40	14J
	42	14M
	44	14W
41	42	16J
	44	16M
	46	16W
43	44	18J
	46	18M
	48	18W
45	48	20M
	50	20W
47	52	22W

Sizes:
J=Junior
M=Misses
W=Women

Height/Lengths:
S=Short (under 5'3½")
R=Regular (5'4" - 5'7")
L=Long (over 5'7")

*Measurements are in "up-to" sizes, in other words, any fractional measurement is converted to the next highest whole number.

FITTING

The Service Dress Blue coat will be fitted over the light blue long sleeved shirt, and dress trousers or skirt.

The shirtsleeve cuff must not extend beyond the coat sleeve.

The collar will fit closely around the neck and smoothly at the back.

The coat will fit comfortably across the shoulders. The shoulders will be well balanced. The shoulder padding should extend approximately 1/2 inch beyond the outer edge of the shoulder joint. There will be no folds or breaks across the top of the back, just below the collar.

The coat will fit comfortably across the bust. There will be no binding around the armholes when the arms are moved. The front collar, lapels, and flaps will present a smooth appearance.

There will be sufficient looseness in the coat to permit a pinching of 2-4 inches of material at the bust.

There will be sufficient looseness in the coat waist to permit a pinching of 2-4 inches of material at the waist.

The coat front will be smooth and balanced. It will present a vertical appearance. There will be no gapping, upward pulling, or crisscrossing of the front closure. The horizontal edges of the front panels will be even. The bottom of the coat front will be parallel to the ground.

The bottom edge of the sleeve will cover the wrist bone by 1 inch with a tolerance of 1/2 inch plus or minus.

The back of the coat should hang smoothly. There will be no horizontal wrinkles or vertical "waves".

ALTERATIONS

The shoulder pads may be increased or decreased.

Only the shoulder seams may be taken in.

The collar may be raised or lowered no more than 1/4 inch.

The sleeve length may be increased or decreased.

The side seams should only be taken in or let out after the next smaller or larger size has been tried on.

The back seams should only be taken in or let out after the next smaller or larger size has been tried on.

The back may be raised or lowered.

The front buttons may be moved in or out by not more than 1/4 inch.

Service stripe(s) will be attached in accordance with Chapter 3.D.2.

Officer identification stripes and specialty insignia will be attached (at the officer's own expense) in accordance with Chapter 3.D.1.

The CG shield and Group Rate Marks will be attached in accordance with Chapter 3.D.2.

6.E.8. Trench Coat

The size of the women's trench coat is determined by height and bust measurement. Determine trench coat size by using the following table.

Body Measurements and Related Schedule of Available Sizes for Women's Trench Coats			
Bust *	Hip *	Available Size at UDC	
33	34-38	8S	Sizes: <u>Height/Lengths</u> S = Short (Under 5'4") R = Regular (5'5" to 5'9") L = Long (5'10" to 6")
		8R	
		8L	
34	35-39	10S	
		10R	
		10L	
36	36-40	12S	
		12R	
		12L	
38	38-42	14S	
		14R	
		14L	
39	40-44	16S	
		16R	
		16L	
41	42-46	18S	
		18R	
		18L	
43	44-48	20S	
		20R	
		20L	
45	48-50	22S	
		22R	
		22L	

* Measurements are in "up-to" sizes, in other words, any fractional

FITTING

The trench coat will be fitted over the Service Dress Blue (SDB) coat and skirt and will be at least one numeral size larger than the SDB coat. The try on method will be used. In no instance should a smaller size than the SDB coat be considered as a proper fit.

There will be sufficient room across the shoulders and bust to permit free use of the arms, without constrictive binding.

The collar and lapels will present a smooth appearance.

The sleeve of the trench coat will cover all garments worn underneath. It will be approximately 1 inch below the wrist bone.

The trench coat will fit smoothly across the shoulders.

The front and back vents will hang vertically. The bottom edges of the front and back panels will be even. However, a tolerance of 1/4 inch extra length is acceptable on the front over panel.

The length of the trench coat will extend to a point approximately 3 inches below the back of the knee. A tolerance of +/- 1 inch is allowed. If the coat is worn with the skirt, the skirt must not extend beyond the length of the coat..

ALTERATIONS

The sleeve length may be lengthened or shortened.

The bottom alignment may be decreased only.

6.E.9. Work Jacket/Windbreaker

The blue work jacket and windbreaker worn by women is the same as worn by men. The details on the fitting and alterations of women's jackets are the same as that listed in Chapter 6.D.9.

6.E.10. Combination, Garrison, and Ball Caps

The Combination, Garrison, and Ball Caps are provided in a numeric sizing system.

FITTING

It is important that the fitting of all caps be made by the try-on method.

The caps must be fitted over hairstyle that will normally be worn. Caps should be fitted to the hairstyle within regulations and not to the head size. The caps must fit squarely, snugly, and comfortably.

The front of the combination cap's frame and the bottom of the garrison cap's and ball cap's front should rest approximately 2 finger widths (1 to 1-1/2 inches) above the eyebrows.

ALTERATIONS

No alterations are authorized.

6.F. Unisex Fitting Guide

6.F.1. Gloves, Black Leather and White Cotton

The black leather gloves are provided in numeric sizing, while the white cotton gloves are furnished in small, medium, and large sizes.

FITTING

Finger lengths are of a standard length for each width of the glove; therefore, additional length that may result must be of secondary consideration to the width.

Gloves will be fitted for correct width to allow freedom of movement of the hand. There will be sufficient looseness to allow the hand to close and open without difficulty.

ALTERATIONS

No alterations are authorized.

6.F.2. Shoes, Athletic, Dress, and Safety

Proper fitting of Coast Guard footwear depends on the effectiveness and knowledge of the fitter. The following principles are provided as a basis for proper fitting methods and techniques.

6.F.2.a. Foot Construction

The foot is so constructed that each of its parts contributes directly to support and transportation of the body weight, structure, shape, and size. The size of feet varies considerably with some feet long and narrow, while others are short and wide. An individual's two feet are also seldom exactly alike. Despite these normal differences, most individuals can be correctly and comfortably fitted with standard Coast Guard footwear.

6.F.2.b. Concept of Fit

The basic goals of proper fitting are to ensure maximum comfort and to prevent foot injury. Properly fitted footwear will hold the foot securely from the lacing at the instep to the heel and have sufficient room in the front for the foot to be free from restriction.

6.F.2.c. Improperly Fitted Footwear

Improperly fitted footwear may cause many ailments, not all of them confined to the foot. The continual wearing of improper footwear may affect health, morale and efficiency. Fallen arches, calluses, corns, blisters, ingrown toenails, distorted toes and aching feet often result.

6.F.2.d. Short Footwear

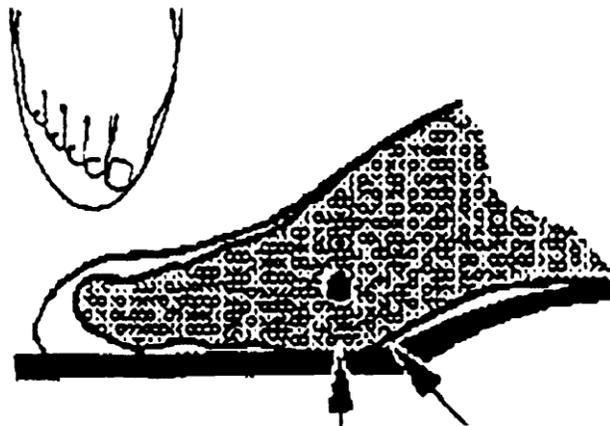
Short footwear prevents natural expansion of the foot; backpressure of the forepart of the foot transmitted to the arch jams arch bones out of normal position and contributes to fallen arches. Pressure forces a spreading of the toe joints, irritates the great and little toes, and contributes to ingrown toenails and the formation of bunions.

6.F.2.e. Tight Footwear

Tight footwear presses the toes together so that they often overlap and restrict the flow of blood. Frequently, the bottom of the foot is extended over the edge of the innersole, gradually pressing a groove into the flesh. This pressure causes the flesh to become sore and painfully callused. Corns may form between and over the toes and the feet may become weakened, distorted, and permanently injured.

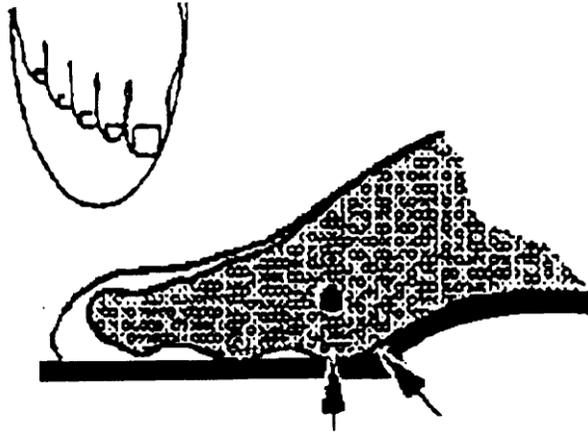
6.F.2.f. Oversize Footwear

Oversize footwear prevents normal foot function by failing to provide adequate support. As the foot spreads, it throws the weight-bearing portion of the foot out of position and abnormally expands the arch. The foot tends to ride forward and sideways, causing chafing at the heel, toes, bottom, and outside of the foot. When worn for running or long marches, oversize footwear will cause discomfort and fatigue.



A. THIS FOOT IS IMPROPERLY FITTED

The toes are cramped and twisted. This condition stops ventilation and causes excessive perspiration, which results in rotting of inner soles, linings, and upper leather. Short shoes such as these cause enlarged great-toe joints and bunions, as well as general foot discomfort. Each step strains the foot arch. Without support under its entire arch span, the foot sags down; nerve and blood vessels are pinched, thereby interfering with circulation.



B. THIS FOOT IS PROPERLY FITTED

The arch base of shoe and ball joint of foot meet at the same point. Foot arch rests comfortably on the shank of shoe, full length. Foot and shoe bend at same place-no sagging. Toes are straight. There is ample space in front of the toes-no crowding of toes, ample ventilation. These feet should be comfortable.

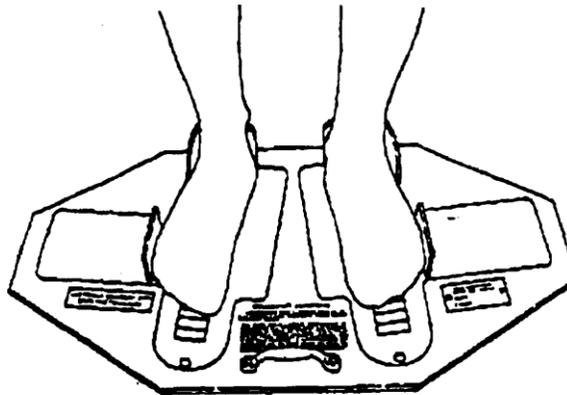
6.F.2.g. Fitting of Socks

Check socks when the individual is standing, weight evenly distributed on both feet. Socks should fit with no apparent tightness or fullness (wool socks should be fitted slightly larger to allow for shrinkage). The Size Correlation Chart below is only a guide for selecting the initial try-on size. Socks should be tried on and checked for proper fit.

Size Correlation Chart for Socks	
Shoes/Boot Size	Sock Size
3 through 8 1/2	X-Small
9 through 10	Small
10 1/2 through 11 1/2	Medium
12 through 13 1/2	Large
14 and over	X-Large

6.F.2.h. Foot Measuring Device

A foot-measuring device is used to measure the individual's feet for the initial try-on size. The device measures the "heel to ball" length and the "ball" width. Even though the device has proven to be 75% accurate, the actual size to be issued must be determined after the footwear has been tried on and checked for proper fit.



To ensure an accurate measurement, make sure the individual is wearing properly fitted socks; boot socks for safety boots and dress socks for dress oxfords. Women's dress oxfords should be fitted while wearing nylons and dress socks. There should be no apparent tightness or excessive fullness of the material. Following are the operation procedures for the foot-measuring device.

Seat the individual being fitted so the foot-measuring device is located directly below the knees. In this position, the legs and feet are relaxed and can be easily placed on the device.

Place hands over the instep and position both feet on the device making sure the feet are fitted snugly against the heel stop.

Have the individual stand and remove hands from the instep.

Adjust the "heel to ball" measurement bar until it fits properly against the ball joint of the great toe, slide in position and slide the ball width bar until it gently presses against the outer ball of the foot.

First read the "heel to ball" length measurement, then find the same length numbers on the ball width bar and determine the appropriate width. For example: if the "heel to ball" length measures size 8, and the number 8 on the ball width bar is in the "R" width block, the try-on size would be 8R. If the number on the ball width bar is near the dividing line of two widths, select the larger width for the try-on size.

Repeat on opposite foot.

6.F.2.i. Determining Length Size

Measure each foot separately and select initial try-on size by comparing the measured length of each foot. Select the initial try-on size as follows:

If both feet measure the same length size, select that size for the initial try-on. For example, if both feet measure size 8, select size 8 for initial try-on.

If one foot measures one-half size longer than the other, select the longer size for initial try-on. For example, if one-foot measures size 8 and the other 7, select size 8 for initial try-on.

If one foot measures a full size longer, select the size halfway between the two sizes that were measured. For example, if one foot measures 8 ½ and the other 7 ½, select size 8 for initial try-on.

When an individual cannot be properly fitted with one tariff size, try-on two different sizes. If the proper fit is achieved with two different sizes, there is no need for special measurement footwear.

6.F.2.j. Determining Width Size

Measure each foot separately and compare the measured width of each foot as follows:

If both feet measure the same width, select that width for initial try-on. For example, if both feet measure a regular (R) width, select the regular width for initial try-on.

If one foot measures a full width wider than the other, the wider measurement is used to select the try-on size.

If one foot measures two widths wider than the other, select the width halfway between the two measurements. For example, if one foot measures regular (R) and the other measures extra narrow (XN), select narrow (N) for initial try-on.

If the foot measures more than halfway between two widths, select the larger width for initial try-on. If the foot measures less than halfway, select the smaller width.

When an individual cannot be properly fitted with one width of a specific footwear item, try on two different widths. If the proper width is achieved, special measurement footwear is not required.

6.F.2.k. Fitting of Footwear

During the initial fitting, the fitter should take as much time as necessary with each individual to ensure a correct fit. Misfits are not only expensive, but continued wear may result in physical injury to the wearer. To minimize the number of misfits, the fitter should first make sure the individual is wearing properly fitted socks and the shoes/boots are completely laced and tied (boots must be laced at least through the bottom five eyelets). With the individual standing, weight evenly distributed on both feet, the fitter should use the below checks for fit.

6.F.2.l. Arch Fit

To check arch fit, position the right hand over the instep of the individual's right shoe/boot, press the fingers firmly against the inner arch close to the sole, making sure the leather fits snug, but not tight, against the under arch. The arch area of the shoe/boot should be free from wrinkles or excessive fullness. Check the left shoe/boot in the same manner, using the left hand.

Measuring Arch Fit



Wrinkles and pockets in arch.



No wrinkles or pockets in arch.

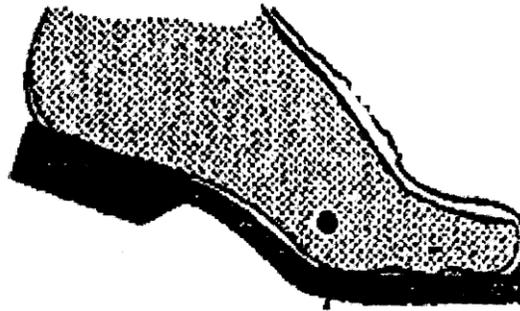
Improper and Proper Arch Fit

6.F.2.m. Ball-Joint Position

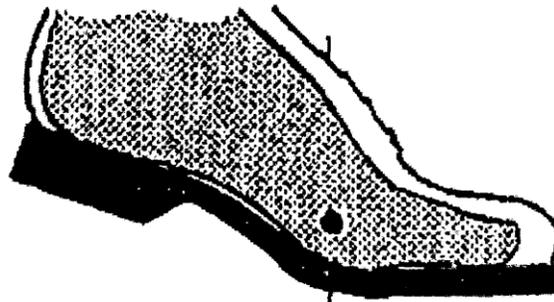
Locate the ball-joint position with the thumb of each hand. When correctly positioned, the ball-joint will be opposite the widest part of the shoe/boot, and the vamp will fall directly across the toe joint. The ball-joint position should also be checked while the individual is in the "full knee bend" position. With the individual in this position, heels off the floor, the ball-joint should be in line with the break in the shoe/boot.

Locating Ball Joint Position

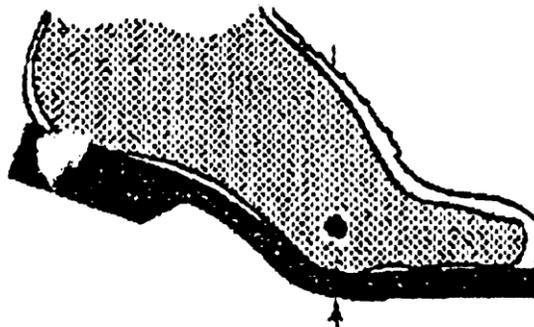
Too Short



Too Long



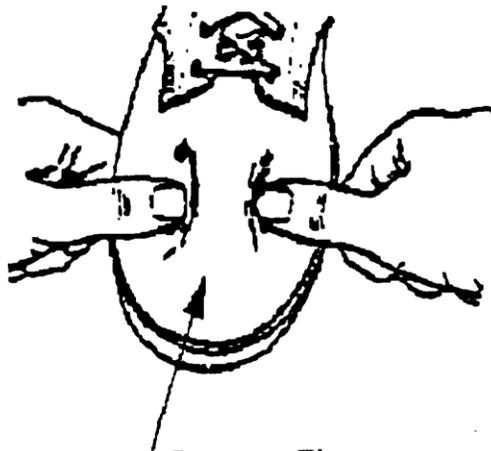
Proper Fit



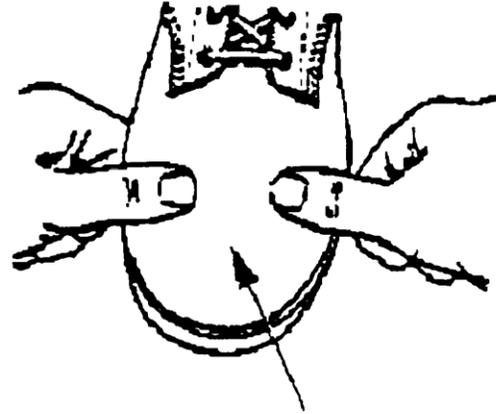
Improper and Proper Ball Joint Position

6.F.2.n. Width

To check the shoe width, place a thumb on each side of the shoe near the ball-joint, press thumbs firmly, working each thumb towards the center of the shoe/boot until they almost meet. The foot should fill the shoe/boot without tightness; however, excessive fullness should be avoided. It is better to allow a slight fullness of the leather at this point, rather than the shoe/boot fitting too snugly.

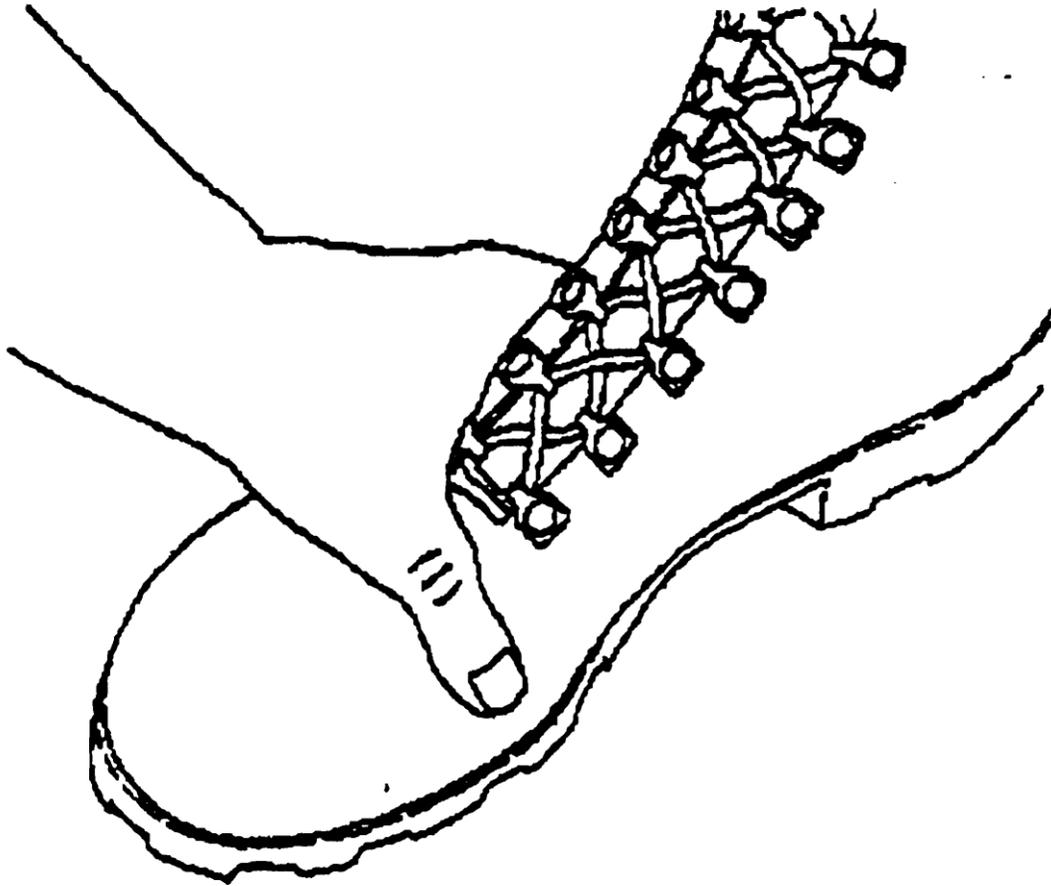


Improper Fit
Excess Leather



Proper Fit
No Excess Leather

Improper and Proper Shoe/Boot Width



The width of the boot should feel firm with little to no excess space between the boot and the foot.

6.F.2.o. Length

To check toe clearance, depress the front of the shoe/boot with the thumb: There should be at least ½ inch of clearance between the longest toe and the end of the shoe/boot. The toe clearance should also be checked with the individual in the "full knee bend" position. The toe clearance in this position should remain ½ inch.

Too Short



Too Long



Proper Fit



Improper and Proper Foot Clearance in Shoe

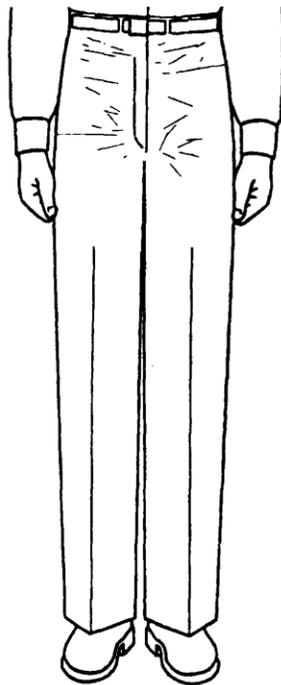
6.G. Uniform Appearance Problems

Poor uniform appearance is a matter of concern to all Coast Guard personnel. Poor uniform appearance reflects badly on individuals, their commands, and the Coast Guard. This chapter illustrates many of the commonly observed uniform appearance problems. It also explains the probable cause of the problem and provides the suggested corrective action to be taken.

6.G.1. Trousers

The horizontal wrinkles at the waist and the tightness in the crotch area indicate that these garments are too small. This problem can also be detected by observing "bulging" side-pockets, horizontal wrinkles across the top of the rear of the garments, and tightness in the seat of the garments.

These individuals should be fitted with a larger garment.



Men's Trousers

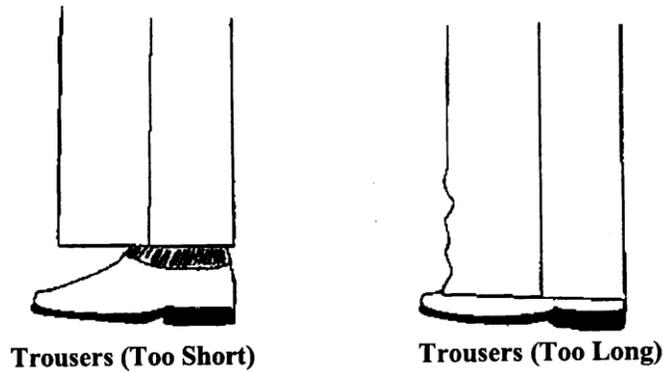


Women's Trousers

6.G.2. Trouser Hem

The trousers shown on the left are too short; the trousers shown on the right are too long. Either situation presents an unsightly appearance.

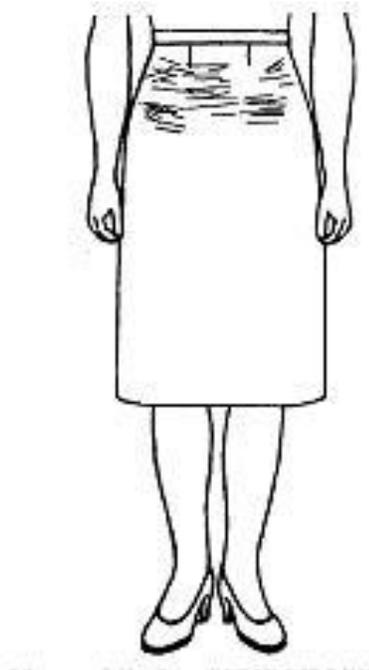
These garments need an alteration of the trouser hem to the proper length.



6.G.3. Skirt

The horizontal wrinkles in the front of this skirt and the open front pleat indicate that this garment is too small. This problem can also be detected by observing horizontal wrinkles in the hip area.

This individual should be fitted with a larger garment.



6.G.4. Service Dress Coat

The horizontal wrinkles at the waist and the crooked front indicate that these coats are too small. This problem can also be detected by observing horizontal wrinkles across the top of the back of the coats.

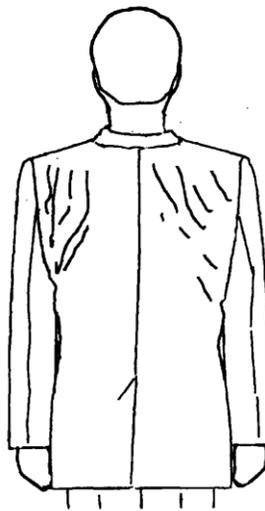
This individual should be fitted with a larger garment.



SDB Jacket (front)

The floppy wings, excessive fullness, and vertical waves indicate that these coats are too large.

This individual should be fitted with a smaller garment.



SDB Jacket (back)