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Section A. Purpose

This INSTRUCTION prescribes the various uniforms, uniform articles, and uniform accessories to be worn by male officers of the Public Health Service (PHS) Commissioned Corps. This INSTRUCTION also provides information on prescribable and optional uniform items, occasions for wearing the uniform, and uniform requirements.

Section B. Authority

See Section B of INSTRUCTION 1, "General Information on Uniforms and Appearance," of this Subchapter.

Section C. General

1. All officers, except officers participating in the Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (COSTEP) and in the Senior COSTEP, shall maintain all required components of the Service Dress Blue (SDB), Summer White (SW) and Working Khaki (WK) uniforms. In addition, officers are responsible for buying and maintaining other uniforms as required by their prescribing authority. There is no minimum number of uniforms required to be in an officer's possession. Sufficient quantities of uniform items shall be procured and maintained in order to assure the highest possible standard of personal hygiene and appearance.
2. Officers assigned to patient care or laboratory areas may wear a suitable lab coat over the uniform when required to perform assigned duties. However, the lab coat may not be worn over the uniform outside the immediate place of work and any covered area associated with that location. See Section F.3. of INSTRUCTION 1, of this Subchapter for the definition of covered area. See Section E. of INSTRUCTION 7, "Special Uniform Situations," of this Subchapter for more guidance on protective clothing.

3. The dinner dress uniforms (with the exception of the Tropical Dinner Dress Blue) are available in both dinner dress "regular" and "jacket" versions. The jacket versions have the word "jacket" as part of the designation. The jacket versions are more formal than the regular versions. They use a dinner jacket, while the regular versions use the service dress coat. Officers at the O-5 rank and above should generally use the jacket versions, and these versions may be prescribed by the local uniform authority (LUA) for certain functions. Junior officers may wear the jacket versions but may not be required to do so.
4. The fabric of service dress coats must match that of the trousers. For "summer" versions of the white uniforms, the shirt material must match that of the trousers. White and khaki uniforms are available in Certified Navy Twill (CNT). When CNT is worn, matching belts and cap covers must be used. A vinyl cap cover is optional.

The "service" version of the khaki uniform is made of dressier fabric than the polyester/cotton working version.(CNT or polyester/wool is a "service" khaki fabric.)
5. Clothing articles (except the Army Black Sweater) must meet the Navy specification for the applicable item. For example, the trousers of the SDB must be of approved design, not merely correct color. Articles purchased from Navy uniform shops (including the Uniform Support Center in Chesapeake, VA <http://www.navy-nex.com/uniform/u-contact-us.html>) can be assumed to be approved. Each article purchased from commercial sources should have a certification tag sewn into the garment.
6. In Exhibit I, below, each uniform is accompanied by four sections:
 - a. Required Basic Uniform Components identifying each of the elements of the particular uniform that must be owned, and worn as appropriate to make the uniform complete;
 - b. Prescribable Items identifying elements that the LUA may direct officers to wear or which may be worn at the officer's discretion unless directed otherwise if the uniform itself is worn;
 - c. Optional Items identifying the elements an officer may add or substitute in his discretion unless the LUA has imposed a restriction; and
 - d. Occasions for Wear identifying the kinds of situations where a particular uniform may be appropriate. Note, however, that the LUA, not the officer, determines which uniform(s) is to be worn as the uniform of the day or for other circumstances.

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¹ The word "summer" indicates that the uniform is authorized for seasonal wear.

EXHIBIT I. Description and Correct Wear

NOTE: Item descriptions follow the illustration pages

Formal and Dinner Dress UniformsFORMAL DRESS

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Jacket, Blue Dinner Dress

Shirt, White, Wing Collar

Trousers, Blue Evening

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Necktie, White Bow

Studs, Mother of Pearl

Cuff Links, Mother of Pearl

Waistcoat

Gloves, White²

Undergarments

Miniature Medals

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Tailcoat, Blue Formal³

Overcoat, Blue

Raincoat, Blue

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes

Suspenders, White

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

Cap, Combination, White (w/outergarment only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Official formal evening functions when male civilians normally wear white tie. This uniform may be prescribed for O-5 rank, and above assigned to duty where required by protocol.



² White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

³ This coat may only be worn when prescribed to meet certain unique protocol requirements.

DINNER DRESS BLUE JACKET

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Jacket, Blue Dinner Dress
Shirt, White Formal Turndown
Trousers, Blue Evening
Shoes, Black Dress
Socks, Black
Cummerbund, Gold
Necktie, Black Bow
Studs, Gold
Cuff Links, Gold
Undergarments
Miniature Medals

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Overcoat, Blue
Raincoat, Blue
Gloves, White²

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes
Suspenders, White
Umbrella
Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)
Cap, Combination, White (w/outergarment only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Official functions when male civilians normally wear black tie. May be prescribed for O-5 rank and above.



² White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

Formal and Dinner Dress Uniforms (continued)

DINNER DRESS WHITE JACKET

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Jacket, White Dinner Dress

Shirt, White Formal Turndown

Trousers, Blue Evening

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Cummerbund, Gold

Necktie, Black Bow

Studs, Gold

Cuff links, Gold

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Miniature Medals See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

Gloves, White²

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes

Suspenders, White

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

Cap, Combination, White (required w/outergarment)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Summertime official functions when male civilians normally wear black tie. May be prescribed for O-5 rank and above.



² White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

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Formal and Dinner Dress Uniforms (continued)

DINNER DRESS BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Coat, Blue Service Dress

Shirt, White Long Sleeve

Trousers, Blue Dress

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Necktie, Black Bow

Belt, Black

Buckle

Undergarments

Miniature Medals

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Overcoat, Blue

Raincoat, Blue

Gloves, White¹

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Shirt, White Formal Turndown

Overshoes

Studs, Gold

Cuff Links, Gold

Suspenders, White

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Official functions when male civilians normally wear black tie.



¹White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

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Formal and Dinner Dress Uniforms (continued)DINNER DRESS WHITE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Coat, White Service Dress

Trousers, White Long

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, White Dress

Socks, White

Belt, White

Buckle

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Miniature Medals See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

Gloves, White¹

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Summer wear to official functions when male civilians normally wear black tie.



¹White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

Formal and Dinner Dress Uniforms (continued)TROPICAL DINNER DRESS BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, White Summer

Trousers, Blue Dress

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Cummerbund, Gold Wraparound

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Miniature Medals See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

Belt, Black,

Buckle

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes

Umbrella

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Official functions when male civilians normally wear black tie. This uniform is intended for tropical climates where other dinner dress uniforms would be uncomfortable.



Ceremonial UniformsFULL DRESS BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Coat, Blue Service Dress

Shirt, White Long Sleeve

Trousers, Blue Dress

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Necktie, Black Four-In-Hand

Belt, Black

Buckle

Gloves, White¹

Undergarments

Large Medals/Ribbons

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Overcoat, Blue

Raincoat, Blue

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes

Cuff Links

Tie Clasp/Tack

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

PHS Sword and Scabbard (for Ceremonial Events)

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 9

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Assuming or relinquishing command, or participating in the ceremony; occasions of state, ceremonies, and solemnities.



¹White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

Ceremonial Uniforms (continued)FULL DRESS WHITE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Coat, White Service Dress

Trousers, White Long

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, White Dress

Socks, White

Belt, White

Buckle

Gloves, White¹

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Large Medals/Ribbons See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoes

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/raincoat only)

PHS Sword and Scabbard (for Ceremonial Events)

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 9

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Assuming or relinquishing command, or participating in the ceremony; occasions of state, ceremonies, and solemnities.



¹White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

General Purpose Service UniformsSERVICE DRESS BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Coat, Blue Service Dress

Shirt, White

Trousers, Blue Dress

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Necktie, Black Four-In-Hand

Belt, Black

Buckle

Undergarments

PHS Name Tag

See CC 26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Ribbons

See CC 26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Overcoat, Blue

Raincoat, Blue

Gloves, Black/White¹

Ear Flaps (w/outer garment only)

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Reefer

Overshoes

Cuff Links

Vest, (Shirt w/o Epaulets)

Tie Clasp/Tack

Sweater, Black Cardigan (w/o coat and indoors only)

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outer garment only)

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Cap, Garrison, Blue

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Year-round wear at all official functions or situations where formal dress, dinner dress, or full dress uniforms are not prescribed and male civilian equivalent dress is coat and tie.



¹White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

General Purpose Service Uniforms (continued)SERVICE DRESS BLUE SWEATER

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Sweater, Army Black

Shirt, White

Trousers, Blue Dress

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Necktie, Black Four-In-Hand

Belt, Black

Buckle

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Soft) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

PHS Name Tag See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

Gloves, Black

Ear Flaps (w/outergarment only)

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Overshoes

Cuff Links

Tie Clasp/Tack

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

Cap, Garrison, Blue

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Normal office work at duty station and in public places not requiring a more formal uniform.



General Purpose Service Uniforms (continued)SERVICE DRESS WHITE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Coat, White Service Dress

Trousers, White Long

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, White Dress

Socks, White

Belt, White

Buckle

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard)

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

PHS Name Tag

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Ribbons

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

Gloves, White¹

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Overshoe

Umbrella

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR



Summer wear at official functions where formal dress, dinner dress, or full dress uniforms are not prescribed and male civilian equivalent is coat and tie.

¹White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

General Purpose Service Uniforms (continued)SUMMER WHITE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, White Summer

Trousers, White Long

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, White Dress

Socks, White

Belt, White

Buckle

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

PHS Name Tag See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Ribbons See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Overshoes

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/raincoat only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Normal office work.



General Purpose Service Uniforms (continued)SERVICE BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, White Summer

Trousers, Blue, Dress or Enlisted Dress

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Belt, Black

Buckle

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard)

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

PHS Name Tag

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Ribbons

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Cap, Garrison, Blue

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Overshoes

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/raincoat only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Normal office work.



General Purpose Service Uniforms (continued)SERVICE KHAKI

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, Khaki

Trousers, Khaki

Cap, Combination, Khaki

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Belt, Khaki

Buckle

Undergarments

Collar Insignia

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

PHS Name Tag

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Ribbons

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Cap, Garrison, Khaki

Jacket, Khaki Windbreaker

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Shoes, Dress Brown (worn w/Khaki socks only)

Overshoes

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/raincoat only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Normal office work.



General Purpose Service Uniforms (continued)WINTER BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, Blue Winter

Trousers, Blue (Enlisted Dress)

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Necktie, Black Four-In-Hand

Belt, Black

Buckle

Undergarments

Collar Insignia

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

PHS Name Tag

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

Ribbons

See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 3

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Cap, Garrison, Blue

Overcoat, Blue

Raincoat Blue

Gloves, Black

Ear Flaps (w/outergarments only)

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Reefer

Tie Clasp/Tack

Overshoes

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Normal office work.



Working UniformsINDOOR DUTY WHITE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, White Summer

Trousers, White Long

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, White Dress

Socks, White

Belt, White

Buckle

Undergarments

Shoulder Boards (Hard) See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Raincoat, Blue

PHS Name Tag See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Cap, Garrison, Blue

Shirt, White, Navy Enlisted

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Overshoes

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/raincoat only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Clinical and laboratory settings. To be worn away from the duty station only as necessary to go to and from duty station.



Working Uniforms (continued)WORKING KHAKI

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, Khaki Working, Short Sleeve

Trousers, Khaki Working

Cap, Combination, Khaki

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Belt, Khaki

Buckle

Undergarments

Collar Insignia See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Shirt, Working Long Sleeve

Cap, Garrison, Khaki

Raincoat, Blue

Shoes, Black Safety

PHS Name Tag See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Ball Cap, Command²

Jacket, Khaki Windbreaker

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Shoes, Dress Brown (worn w/khaki socks only)

Boots, Combat (only when authorized)²

Overshoes

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarments only)

Helmet, Tropical Pith²

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Situations where other uniforms would be unsafe or become unduly soiled.



² Only if authorized by the local uniform authority (LUA)

Working Uniforms (continued)WINTER WORKING BLUE

Exhibit I

A. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Shirt, Blue Winter

Trousers, Blue (Enlisted Dress)

Cap, Combination, White

Shoes, Black Dress

Socks, Black

Belt, Black

Buckle

Undergarments

Collar Insignia See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

B. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

Overcoat, Blue

Raincoat, Blue

Shoes, Black Safety

PHS Name Tag See CC26.3 INSTRUCTION 6

C. OPTIONAL ITEMS

Cap, Garrison, Blue

Ball Cap, Command³

Jacket, Black Windbreaker

Reefer

Boots, Combat (only when authorized)³

Overshoes

Sweater, Black Cardigan (indoors only)

Sweater, Army Black

Umbrella

Scarf, white (w/outergarment only)

Gloves, Black

Ear Flaps (w/outergarment only)

D. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Situations where other uniforms would be unsafe or become unduly soiled.



³ Only if authorized by the local uniform authority (LUA)

EXHIBIT I (continued)

Description and Correct Wear of Male
Officer Uniform Components

NOTE: The item references that follow are alphabetical for the preceding illustrations.

BALL CAP, COMMAND

- a. Description: The cap shall be a conventional baseball cap style made of 100 percent polyester, polyester/cotton, or a polyester/wool blend of the specified color and weight (see technical specifications below). "U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE" shall be embroidered using ½-inch-high letters in an arch across the top of the front panel. Centered under "U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE" is the large, bright metal rank device. All lettering shall be in upper case Arial (or equivalent) print. Visor ornamentation (in the style described for the combination cap visor in INSTRUCTION 6 of this Subchapter is authorized for O-5 rank and above.

Correct Wear: Wear squarely on the head, with the bottom edge parallel to the ground and approximately ½-inch above the top of the ears. The visor shall not be bent or shaped other than as manufactured. The command ball cap may be worn with any working uniform (except Indoor Duty White), if authorized by the LUA. The LUA may prescribe wear of the subdued, large rank device (when worn with the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU). When wearing the O-6 rank device, the eagle will look to the wearer's right. At any location other than the duty site, (i.e., the specific location where the assigned task is to be performed) the garrison cap, combination cap, or (when worn with the BDU) camouflage headgear must be worn. The cap may be worn, without rank device, with civilian clothing.

Technical Specifications:

- (1) Color and weight of basic material: The color shall be black and weigh 11-12 ounces per square yard.
- (2) Color of embroidery: All embroidery shall approximate the Department of Defense Heraldic Yarns, GOLDEN YELLOW, HD, Cable 67104.
- (3) Undervisor cloth: Black.
- (4) Sizing strip: The adjustable sizing strip on the rear of the cap shall be made of polyethylene about ¾-inch wide and shall have either seven adjustment holes and matching prongs or velcro strips or be of a flex fit style.
- (5) Cap button: Handy Button Machine Corp., style #1922 H.B. covered by the basic material.
- (6) Color of the stitching: Black.
- (7) Visor stitching: Six to eight rows of stitching placed ¼-inch apart.
- (8) Design: Mushroom shaped, six gore construction with the two front gores made from one piece of material for front embroidery purposes. The front shall be stiffened with heavy duty synthetic material. The cap shall have a three-piece visor. Size adjustment is accomplished by a sizing strip joining mid-points of the two back panels.

BELTS, WITH ANODIZED CLIP

- a. Description: Plain cloth or webbing of the same color and material as the uniform, 1 ¼ inch wide for men, and fitted with a gold anodized clip. A cotton or nylon web belt may be worn with all uniforms. If a cloth belt is worn, the fabric shall match the uniform.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear the belt through all loops with the clip end to the left of the buckle prior to inserting the clip end into the buckle. Men wear belt with clip to the LEFT of the buckle.

BOOTS, COMBAT

- a. Description: Black boot, with a plain or capped toe, the uppers 8-10 inches in height, and a black vulcanized rubber outer sole. May be of leather or leather and fabric (only green or black fabric is authorized, commonly called "jungle boots.") Boots with a patent leather finish are not authorized. Inner steel toes and zipper closure are authorized as optional items. The overall design and construction of the boots must make them durable, functional, and suitable for field wear.
- b. Correct Wear: Keep well polished and in good repair.

BUCKLE

- a. Description: Either a plain, anodized Navy buckle or a gold, anodized buckle which is the same size as the plain, Navy buckle and decorated with the PHS miniature device. Silver buckles are not authorized.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear the buckle so that the belt clip end touches the left side of the buckle so that no belt material shows between the clip end and the underlining buckle. Align the right side of the buckle with opening of the shirt and opening of the fly, forming a straight line. A decorated buckle may not be worn when a buckle is required with either a ceremonial or formal uniform.

CAP COMBINATION, WHITE OR KHAKI

- a. Description: A military cap with black visor, rigid standing front, flaring circular rim and black cap band worn with detachable khaki or white cap cover. When wearing a raincoat, the plastic combination cap rain cover clear may be worn. For visor ornamentation and cap device insignia, see INSTRUCTION 6, "Insignia and Devices," this Subchapter.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear the cap squarely on the head, with the bottom edge parallel to and approximately ½ inch above the eyebrows. The cap is worn so that hair does not show on the forehead. The cap is authorized for wear with the Formal Dress, Dinner Dress Blue Jacket, or Dinner Dress White Jacket uniforms only when outer garment is worn. The material of the detachable fabric cover should match the material fabric of the uniform.

CAP, GARRISON, BLUE

- a. Description: Made of authorized fabric with gold piping. For cap insignia, see INSTRUCTION 6 this Subchapter.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear the cap squarely on the head, with the fore and aft crease centered vertically between the eyebrows. The lowest point of the cap is approximately ½ inch above the eyebrows. Hair is not visible below the front of the cover.

CAP, GARRISON, KHAKI

- a. Description: Made of khaki material matching the uniform with which it is worn. For cap insignia, see INSTRUCTION 6, this Subchapter.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear the cap squarely on the head, with fore and aft crease centered vertically between the eyebrows. The lowest point of the cap is approximately ½ inch above the eyebrows. Hair is not visible below the front of the cover.

COAT, BLUE, SERVICE DRESS

- a. Description: A double-breasted coat made of navy blue, authorized material, with three outside pockets, one on each hip and one on left breast, and a sword slit over the left hip. There are three 35-line PHS gilt buttons down each forefront. Only the buttons on the right front actually button. Gold sleeve stripes and PHS sleeve insignia (with anchor pointing forward) are on each sleeve.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. Service Dress Blue coats may be removed in immediate office space only.

COAT, WHITE, SERVICE DRESS

- a. Description: A single-breasted, standing collar coat made of plain white, lightweight, authorized material, form fitting outline, with sword slit over left hip, and loops for shoulder boards. It has two breast patch pockets with pointed button-down flaps fastened by 22 ½-line PHS gilt buttons, and five detachable 35-line PHS gilt buttons on right front.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons and fasten velcro collar.

CUFF LINKS

- a. Description: The cuff link may be link or stud type and shall be of plain conservative design. Cuff links are gold, pearl, or in combination with mother-of-pearl as specified for the uniform being worn. Mother- of- pearl cuff links are worn with formal dress (white tie).
- b. Correct Wear: Wear with the face of the cuff link directed outboard from the wearer.

CUMMERBUND

- a. Description: Shall be plain gold, pleated, fastened at the back. Wear a wraparound style with Tropical Dinner Dress Blue. An adjusting cummerbund is authorized with Dinner Dress and Formal Dress Uniforms.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear with pleats up, around the waist overlapping the trouser top by 1 inch.

EAR FLAPS

- a. Description: Made of authorized fabric with elastic band, they must be purchased from authorized Navy Uniform Support Center.
- b. Correct Wear: Worn over both ears with the elastic band extended across the back of the neck.

GLOVES, BLACK OR WHITE

- a. Description: Made of plain authorized fabric, with plain stitching the same color as the basic glove material, either lined or unlined.
- b. Correct Wear: Black gloves may be worn with reefers, overcoats, and raincoats in inclement weather, if no other gloves are authorized with the uniform over which the outer garment is worn. White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Gloves are to be removed to shake hands.

HELMET, TROPICAL PITH

- a. Description: Khaki color helmet matching the uniform with which it is worn. For cap insignia, see INSTRUCTION 6 this Subchapter.
- b. Correct Wear:
Wear the helmet squarely on the head, with the bottom edge parallel to and 1 ½ inches above the eyebrows. The tropical pith helmet may be worn with the Working Khaki or the Tropical Khaki uniform if authorized by the prescribing authority. Hair is not visible below the front of the cover. The miniature PHS cap device is worn on the front in the center affixed through the front vent hole.

JACKET, BLUE DINNER DRESS

- a. Description: A mess jacket of navy blue authorized material, with semi-peaked, narrow lapels, of the same fabric as the jacket, and the back tapered to a point. There are three 35-line PHS gilt buttons down each front, with a linked button front closure held in position by loops and buttons placed inside each front facing. Gold sleeve stripes and PHS sleeve insignia (with anchor pointing forward) are on each sleeve.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear with gold elastic or chain closure fastened.

JACKET, WHITE DINNER DRESS

- a. Description: A mess jacket of plain white, lightweight, authorized material with semi-peaked, narrow lapels of the same fabric as the jacket, loops for shoulder boards, and the back tapered to a point. It has two 35-line PHS gilt buttons on each side of the front. It is held together in front by connecting two 28-line PHS gilt buttons with a link approximately 3/4 inch long.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear held together by gold link.

JACKET, WINDBREAKER (BLACK or KHAKI)

- a. Description:
 - (1) A black (Army black shade 458) jacket, 55/45 percent poly/wool with a stand-up knit collar and knit cuffs. Jacket is single-breasted with a zipper front closer, two inverted slant pockets, and shoulder epaulets. NOTE: The old-style blue windbreaker, without knit cuffs and bottom, is not authorized.
 - (2) A single-breasted, short style khaki jacket, made of water repellent polyester and cotton poplin cloth. It has a plain collar, two pockets located on side fronts, slide fasteners, and a button closure.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear rank insignia on shoulder straps. Close the zipper at least three quarters of the way. Wear the collar tab buttoned back when not in use. May be worn with liner. Khaki windbreaker may only be worn with khaki uniforms.

NECKTIE, BLACK BOW

- a. Description: Shall be plain style with square ends not to exceed 2 3/4 inches vertically. May be clip-on or hand-tied.

- b. Correct Wear: Bow should cover the top shirt button.

NECKTIE, BLACK, FOUR-IN-HAND

- a. Description: Made of authorized material measuring no more than 3 1/4 inches wide. May be clip-on or hand-tied.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear knotted with either a four-in-hand, half-windsor, or windsor knot. Always wear the top half of the knot parallel to and slightly above the top of the shirt. Wear so that the bottom of the tie is above and within 1 inch of the top of the belt buckle.

NECKTIE, WHITE BOW

- a. Description: Shall be plain style with square ends not to exceed 2 3/4 inches vertically. May be clip-on or hand-tied.
- b. Correct Wear: Bow tie should cover the top shirt button.

OVERCOAT, BLUE

- a. Description: A double-breasted, full-skirted coat made of blue wool fabric, shaped at waist and held by a two section half-belt at back. May be water-repellent and fitted with removable sleeveless liner. The end of the belt overlaps and fastens with two 40-line PHS gilt buttons. There is a sword slit over the left hip, a vertical slash side pocket on each front, and a single row of five 40-line PHS gilt buttons down each forepart. The collar is made so that the coat may be buttoned to neck. One slash, inside bellows pocket in each front piece, gives access to trousers or coat pocket. There are two loops on each shoulder for shoulder boards.
- b. Correct Wear: Coat hem falls 1/3 of the distance between the kneecap and the ground. Button all buttons except the collar button. Collar button may be buttoned in inclement weather.

OVERSHOES/RAIN OR SNOW BOOTS

- a. Description: Black or clear rubber, conventional, low cut overshoes. Rain or snow boots are made of plain black vinyl or leather and may be from mid-calf to knee-high.
- b. Correct Wear: Close all fasteners. Wear only during inclement weather with an outer garment. Remove indoors.

RAINCOAT, BLUE

- a. Description: Navy blue (black in appearance), polyester/cotton poplin fabric treated for water repellency, with epaulets, single-breasted, beltless, tabs at cuff, with a zipout lining.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons except the collar button. Collar button may be buttoned in inclement weather. Clear plastic combination cap rain cover may be worn. Rank insignia is worn on epaulets.

REEFER

- a. Description: A double-breasted, hip length coat made from dark blue, authorized fabric with convertible collar. It has a set-in pocket in each forefront, a single row of three 35-line or

40-line PHS buttons on the right forepart, and three PHS buttons on the left to button right side. Two loops on each shoulder hold hard shoulder boards.

- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons, except collar button. Collar button may be buttoned in inclement weather. Wear hard shoulder boards through shoulder loops. A reefer is hemmed to hip length.

SCARF, WHITE

- a. Description: Made of knitted or woven silk, rayon, or synthetic material; of plain design.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear under reefers, raincoats, and overcoats.

SHIRT, BLUE, WINTER, LONG SLEEVES

- a. Description: Made of navy blue, authorized fabric with two breast pockets with button flaps fastened with 25-line PHS or plain black buttons. Collar points measure no more than 3 1/4 inches long and have a medium spread.
- b. Correct Wear: When worn as Winter Service Blue, button all buttons and wear with tie. Unbutton the collar button when wearing the Winter Working Blue. Both uniforms require collar devices.

SHIRT, KHAKI, SHORT SLEEVES

- a. Description: Made of authorized fabric, (Certified Navy Twill (CNT), polyester/wool, or polyester/cotton) with short sleeves, with two breast pockets with button flaps, and an open collar forming a V-neck. The shirt and trousers material must match.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. Wear with collar devices.

SHIRT, KHAKI, WORKING, LONG SLEEVES OR SHORT SLEEVES

- a. Description: Made of polyester/cotton with two breast pockets with button flaps. The short sleeve shirt will have an open collar forming a V-neck. The long sleeve shirt will have a button closure at the neck.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons except the collar button. Wear with collar devices.

SHIRT, WHITE, FORMAL TURNDOWN

- a. Description: A dress shirt with a turndown collar and a plain stiff or wide-pleated soft front.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear with plain gold shirt studs and cuff links. Wear with all studs, buttons, and cuffs fastened.

SHIRT, WHITE, FORMAL WING COLLAR

- a. Description: A stiff-bosomed plain or pique, unpleated white dress shirt, worn with a wing collar.

- b. Correct Wear: Wear with plain white shirt studs (mother of pearl) and cuff links (mother of pearl). Button all buttons and fasten all studs and cuff links.

SHIRT, WHITE, LONG SLEEVES OR SHORT SLEEVES (DRESS)

- a. Description: Made of plain white, authorized fabric. Sleeves may be short or long with plain buttons, convertible or French cuffs. Long sleeve shirts may have epaulets. Collar points measure no more than 3 1/4 inches and have a medium spread.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. Wear soft shoulder boards on shirts with epaulets. Long sleeves shall be worn for inspections and ceremonies.

SHIRT, WHITE, NAVY ENLISTED

- a. Description: Made of authorized fabric without shoulder loops. Fabric must be compatible with trousers, i.e., polycotton shirt with polycotton trousers or Certified Navy Twill (CNT) shirt with CNT trousers.
- b. Correct Wear: Shoulder boards, medals, and ribbons are not worn with this shirt. Rank insignia is worn on the right collar and the PHS device is worn on the left collar.

SHIRT, WHITE, SUMMER

- a. Description: Made of authorized material, short sleeves with loops for shoulder boards and an open collar forming a V-neck. Collar points measure no longer than 3 1/4 inches and have a medium spread.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear with hard shoulder boards. When worn with white trousers, material must match. Button all buttons.

SHOES, BLACK, SAFETY

- a. Description: Leather shoes, in lace and chukka styles, plain toe with no stitching or decoration. Must have a hard box or safety toe and be water resistant.
- b. Correct Wear: Lace from inside out through all eyelets and tie. Keep well shined and in good repair.

SHOES, DRESS (BLACK / BROWN / WHITE)

- a. Description: Plain toed, oxford style black, brown, or white, low quarter, lace shoe, made of smooth leather or synthetic leather. The heel shall be an outside heel 3/5 inch- 7/8 inch high with a flat sole.
- b. Correct Wear: Keep well shined and in good repair. Lace shoes form inside out through all eyelets and tie. Navy certified brown leather shoes and khaki socks are optional with Service Khaki (SK) uniforms.

SOCKS, BLACK, WHITE, OR KHAKI

- a. Description: Made of plain or ribbed, undecorated, knitted material. Knee or mid-calf length are authorized..

- b. Correct Wear: Wear pulled up so that no part of the leg shows while sitting or walking. Khaki socks are worn only with the brown dress shoe.

STUDS

- a. Description: Shall be plain without design or ornamentation. Studs are gold, or combination with mother-of-pearl as specified for the uniform being worn.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear fastened on the formal wing collar and the formal turndown collar shirts.

SUSPENDERS, WHITE

- a. Description: Shall be plain, without design or ornamentation.
- b. Correct Wear: May be crossed in the back.

SWEATER, ARMY BLACK

- a. Description: A U.S. Army-style pullover sweater, V-neck, black, produced in two kinds of material. The first is made of ribbed wool with nylon patches on the right breast, shoulders and elbows. The second is made of 100 percent acrylic with nylon patches on the right breast, shoulders and elbows. Each is provided with straps for affixing soft shoulder boards.
- b. Correct Wear: Soft shoulder boards and the name tag are worn on the sweater (with a working uniform the name tag is optional). Ribbons and breast insignia are not worn on the sweater. When worn over a shirt with a tie, the shirt collar points should be placed inside the neck of the sweater (for khaki and blue shirts, collar insignia are worn as usual). When worn with an open collar shirt, the collar points should be outside the neck of the sweater. Authorized for wear with the Service Blue, Service Dress Blue in place of the SDB coat, Service White, Service Khaki, and Working Khaki uniforms. The sweater is authorized for daily wear to and from work, in public places, on base and at the duty station, and for attending working level meetings/briefings. The sweater is not authorized for wear outdoors with the Service Dress Blue coat.

SWEATER, BLACK CARDIGAN

- a. Description: A single-breasted cardigan style sweater made of black woolen or synthetic yarn, with a single-breasted button front closure, epaulettes for soft shoulder boards, long sleeves, wristlets and V-neck. A pocket in the lower part of one or both foreparts is optional.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear within the immediate office space at the duty station and in "covered area" if authorized by LUA.

TAILCOAT, BLUE FORMAL

- a. Description: Made of authorized blue fabric, conventional cut shaped to figure, with a double row of three PHS gilt buttons.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear held together in front by two PHS buttons and link. This coat may be worn only when prescribed to meet certain unique protocol requirements. Rank insignia, miniature medals, and other appurtenances, shall conform, as appropriate, to those required with Dinner Dress Blue Jacket. Coat hem falls approximately to hollow behind the knee.

TIE CLASP/TACK

- a. Description: Gold, plain or decorated with appropriate insignia to which the wearer is entitled. Tie clasps shall be not more than 5/16 inch wide. Tie tacks shall be no more than 5/8 inch in diameter.
- b. Correct Wear: Wear 1 inch below the center of the four-in-hand tie in a horizontal position. The uniform coat shall cover it.

TROUSERS, BLUE (Enlisted Dress)

- a. Description: Made of authorized blue fabric with fore and aft creases, belt loops, zippered fly front closure, and two side and back pockets. May be either straight-legged or slightly flared. (75/25% polyester/wool)
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons, close all fasteners, and wear a belt through all loops. Trousers hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Trousers should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustment.

TROUSERS, BLUE DRESS

- a. Description: Made of the same material as the Service Dress Blue Jacket, of authorized design, without cuffs, and with fore and aft creases. May be either straight-legged or slightly flared.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons, close all fasteners, and wear a belt through all loops. Trousers should cover the top of the shoe by 1 inch at the heel.

TROUSERS, BLUE EVENING

- a. Description: High-waisted, in the same material as the blue jacket, of plain design, and without cuffs or back pockets.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons and close fasteners. Trousers should cover the top of the shoe by 1 inch at the heel.

TROUSERS, KHAKI

- a. Description: Made of authorized material to match the Khaki shirt, fore and aft creases, and without cuffs. May be straight legged or slightly flared.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons, close all fasteners, and wear a belt through all loops. Trousers should cover the top of the shoe by 1 inch at the heel.

TROUSERS, KHAKI, WORKING

- a. Description: Conventional, plain trousers made of polyester/cotton fabric, with fore and aft creases, and without cuffs. May be either straight-legged or flared.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons, close all fasteners, and wear a belt through all loops. Trousers should cover the shoe by 1 inch at the heel.

TROUSERS, WHITE LONG

- a. Description: Made of authorized white fabric with fore and aft creases, zippered fly front closure, no cuff, two side and back pockets. May be straight-legged or slightly flared. The trouser and shirt fabric must match when worn as Summer White or Indoor Duty White. The trouser when worn with Service Dress White coat must be the same fabric. (i.e., polyester/cotton w/polyester/cotton, CNT w/ CNT).
- b. Correct Wear: Close all fasteners and wear a belt through all loops. Trousers should cover the top of the shoe by 1 inch at the heel with a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustments.

UMBRELLA

- a. Description: Plain, black, folding/collapsing type with a plain, black handle. It shall be of conventional size and design when opened, and shall be capable of being folded small enough to fit into a brief case.
- b. Correct Wear: The umbrella may be used during inclement weather with any uniform. The umbrella should be carried in the left hand to permit saluting. The umbrella shall be folded when not in use.

UNDERGARMENTS

- a. Undershirt, White: Made of white cotton or polyester/cotton. May be sleeveless, V-neck or crew neck.
- b. Undershorts: Shall be boxer or brief style, and white when wearing white uniforms.

VEST

- a. Description: Shall be standard vest design of authorized material, the same color as the uniform and with 22 1/2-line PHS eagle gilt buttons down the front.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. Wear under a dress coat outside of the immediate office space.

WAISTCOAT

- a. Description: Made of white, conservatively woven pique, or other suitable material, with set-in lapel of same fabric as a vest, single-breasted with a welted pocket in each front section. Three 22 1/2-line PHS eagle gilt buttons on right front.
- b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons.

