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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: United States Military Academy and United States Army Garrison West Point Wear and Appearance of Uniforms

1. REFERENCES.

a. Army Regulation (AR) 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia, 26 January 2021.

b. Department of the Army Pamphlet (DA PAM) 670-1, Guide to the Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia, 26 January 2021.

c. United States Corps of Cadets (USCC) PAM 670-1, Guide to the Cadet Appearance and Wear of United States Military Academy (USMA) Uniforms and Insignia, 16 June 2023.

2. PURPOSE. To establish uniform and dress requirements for USMA and the Garrison at West Point.

3. ELIGIBILITY. This policy applies to all military organizations and personnel assigned or attached to USMA and the tenant units of West Point.

4. GENERAL. All Military personnel will maintain a high standard of professional dress and appearance. Uniforms will fit properly; the proper fitting of uniforms is provided in DA PAM 670-1. Personnel must keep uniforms clean, serviceable, and roll-pressed, as necessary. Soldiers must project a military image that leaves no doubt that they live by a common military standard and uphold military order and discipline. All Military personnel will also present an acceptable appearance when conducting physical training in civilian attire.

a. Your uniform identifies you as a member of the United States Army, USMA, or an associated tenant unit assigned to West Point.

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b. All personnel have the general military authority to correct service members and cadets who are improperly wearing the uniform regardless of rank or duty position. Use of proper military courtesy is expected.

c. Leaders at all levels are responsible for dissemination and enforcing this command policy to all service members (Cadets, service members attending training, or permanent party) and visitors prior to and during their time at West Point.

5. POLICY.

a. Army Physical Fitness Uniform (APFU) or service equivalent physical fitness uniform.

(1) Between the hours of 0530 to 0800, Monday through Friday, all military personnel conducting physical training (PT), on the installation, will wear the APFU or service equivalent uniform.

(a) Federal holidays will be considered the same as weekends for the purpose of this policy.

(b) Military personnel may wear the Army Combat Uniform (ACU) while conducting physical training that necessitates the wear of a different uniform, for example ruck marches.

(c) Unit PT shirts are authorized to wear with the APFU when conducting physical training. Leaders will not require the purchase of unit PT shirts.

(2) Military personnel are prohibited from wearing earbuds, headphones, or any similar electronic devices while conducting physical training in uniform outdoors or in formation. Military personnel in uniform may utilize listening devices while inside a Fitness Center or indoor gyms while conducting individual physical training. Listening devices may also be worn while conducting individual physical training on the closed tracks at Shea Stadium and the USMA Prep School. Soldiers may not wear headphones beyond the permitted area in any manner, including around the neck or attached to the uniform. Headphones will be conservative and discreet. Ear pads will not exceed 1 1/2 inches in diameter at the widest point. Earbuds or headphones are not authorized in physical fitness uniforms in any other location.

(3) The APFU or other service equivalent physical fitness uniform is not authorized in either the Commissary or Army and Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES).

b. Army Combat Uniform.

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(1) The ACU/service equivalent is the duty uniform for military personnel at USMA unless directed otherwise by the command. All personnel will maintain a high standard of professional dress and appearance. Uniforms will fit properly and be maintained IAW the standards set forth in AR and DA PAM 670-1. The ACU sleeves will be worn in accordance with AR 670-1 unless otherwise directed by a Commander.

(2) The black or coyote brown fleece cap is authorized for wear during extended periods of exposure in conditions below 32 degrees Fahrenheit or when the wind chill is below 32 degrees Fahrenheit in lieu of the patrol cap. Soldiers will not wear the fleece cap off the installation.

(3) Non-subdued Shoulder Sleeve Insignia (SSI) unit patches are authorized for wear with ACU/service equivalent on the last Friday of every month and at all ceremonial/special events.

c. Army Service Uniform (ASU)/Army Green Service Uniform (AGSU).

(1) The AGSU is a phased new dress uniform for official engagements and events. The current ASU is authorized for wear until 30 September 2027; therefore, leaders may encourage purchasing the new AGSU, but shall not require purchase of the AGSU by service members until after the wear out date of 30 September 2027.

(2) Leaders will not require the wear of optional items, such as sweaters or windbreakers, unless such items are provided to the Soldier without cost.

d. Cadet Uniforms.

(1) All cadets will adhere to the uniform of the day standard and abide by any guidance or policy set forth by the USMA G3, USCC G3, or the Brigade Tactical Department S3.

(2) All cadets will abide by the following schedule for the duration of the Academic Year and ensure the neatness of dress; care for personal appearance remains paramount to each cadet assigned to USMA. Cadets will launder their personal clothing when necessary.

(a) As for Class (AFC) will be worn from Monday thru Wednesday each week.

(b) The ACU will be worn on Thursday and Friday of each week.

(3) At all other times, Cadets will follow the guidance in USCC PAM 670-1 and from their chain of command on the proper uniform of the day.

e. Stetson.

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(1) The Stetson is authorized for wear on the last Friday of every month and at all ceremonial/special events.

(2) The distinctive unit insignia (DUI), more commonly referred to as unit crest, is worn centered on the back of the hat. Service members will only wear the unit crest of the unit that they are currently assigned. They may wear up to two additional items such as aviation wings, EIB, CIB, CAB, regimental crest, etc., based on the size of the badges. If two items are worn, they must be similar in size to the DUI; one additional item if larger than the DUI. The unit crest will be worn above the items, evenly spaced.

(3) Nothing will be worn on the sides of the Stetson.

f. Spirit Wear. When Spirit Wear is worn, it will consist of a USMA affiliated collared shirt with slacks or skirt.

6. EXCEPTIONS. Personnel requesting an exception to this policy will direct all requests to the USMA G3.

7. PROPONENT. The proponent of this memorandum is the USMA Command Sergeant Major at (845) 938-3267.

8. This policy is effective immediately and will be reviewed within five years in accordance with USMA Regulation 25-30.



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