



Chapter 10 Uniforms

Introduction

Auxiliary uniforms are similar to those worn by Coast Guard officers. Silver braid and silver buttons replace the gold braid and buttons worn by Coast Guard officers. Auxiliarists may also wear other authorized emblems, insignia and ribbons. This chapter provides information on the various uniforms and their proper wear. Directors are the source of any additional information on uniforms.

All Auxiliarists are authorized and encouraged to wear the various Auxiliary uniforms or the Blazer outfit. Auxiliarists must wear a uniform when participating in some Coast Guard and Auxiliary programs and activities. Uniforms shall be worn as prescribed in *Uniform Regulations*, COMDTINST M1020.6 (series), except as noted in this chapter.

The illustrations in this chapter show Auxiliary uniforms now authorized and the appearance of each uniform when worn properly. A description with each picture provides guidance as to when to wear the particular uniform and specifies the individual items of clothing and accessories worn with each. When purchasing from civilian retail sources, Auxiliarists may use these descriptions for uniform items that may not otherwise be available.

Also illustrated are the various insignia and devices Auxiliarists may wear on different uniforms as well as the personal flags, pennants and burgees of Auxiliary Leaders. They show how certain insignia identify qualifications and office (elected and appointed) status (present or past) within the Auxiliary.

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Section A. When Uniforms are Required and Prohibited

Introduction	This section describes Auxiliary procedure for proper uniform use.
A.1. Auxiliarists	All Auxiliarists on board vessel facilities, during an ordered mission, shall wear the Working or Undress uniform, Hot Weather uniform (when authorized), or the Jump suits appropriate to the climate. In areas where required, survival suits shall be substituted for the uniform. Auxiliarists, when considered appropriate, should replace the insignia of their current or highest past office with the member device. The uniform selection is the coxswain's choice and it should be the same for all crew members.
A.2. Authorized Wearers	Examiners shall wear the Working or Undress uniform, the Jump suit, or the Polo shirt uniform appropriate to the climate when conducting VSCs. When conducting CFVEs, examiners may wear Coast Guard issued coveralls. Auxiliarists conducting VSCs may replace the insignia of their current or highest past office with the member device.
A.3. Pilots, Air Observers, and Aircrew	Pilots, air observers, and aircrew on ordered missions in aircraft facilities shall wear appropriate Auxiliary uniforms, a Coast Guard Flight suit or approved anti-exposure coveralls. The uniform selection is the Aircraft Commander pilot's choice and should be the same for other air crew members. Non-polyester uniforms should be worn whenever possible. Garrison caps are authorized to be worn with Flight suits and are preferred on the flight line over a ball cap as they can be folded into a pocket. Appropriate patches and name tags should be worn on the dark blue civilian-type Jump suit. (see <i>paragraph H.5</i> of this chapter)
A.4. Instructors and Assistants	All ITs and assistant ITs in PE classes shall be in a uniform appropriate to the climate. Authorized uniforms include the Undress Blue (Alpha), Tropical Blue, Winter Dress Blue, or Service Dress Blue uniforms. The Auxiliary Blue Blazer outfit may also be worn. The uniform worn should be consistent with the one worn by the senior IT, if practical.
A.5. Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program	Auxiliarists serving as RBSVs shall wear either the Service Dress Blue or Tropical Blue uniform (as appropriate for climate and geographic location) for their first visit. Uniforms are encouraged for subsequent visits, although civilian clothes are allowed.
A.6. Environmental Conditions	When environmental conditions warrant, the District Commander may authorize the wear of the Hot Weather uniform for all participants (Coast Guard active duty, Reserve, and Auxiliarists) in the below listed activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel participating as part of a boat crew or as a boat crew trainee. • Personnel conducting VSCs or CFVEs. • AtoN missions.
A.7. Vessel Examiners	For VEs, the Polo shirt is authorized for wear as an optional uniform shirt worn as part of the Undress Blue Summer (Bravo), Working Blue, Operational Dress (OD),



Examiners

and Hot Weather uniform. The shirt is not authorized for wear on patrol and no insignia, name tags or breast devices shall be worn with the shirt. Headgear (when wearing the Polo shirt) shall not display office insignia, embroidered oak leaves or acorns on the ball cap visor or sun hat. The AUXCEN carries the only shirt authorized. The VE shirt may be worn with civilian attire.

A.8. Air or Surface Travel

Auxiliarists traveling as passengers on any Coast Guard or military air or surface craft shall dress as prescribed by local commanders.

A.9. Assignment to Duty

A Coast Guard authority may prescribe an Auxiliary uniform as a condition for assignment to a specific duty. When performing duty on a Coast Guard vessel, Auxiliarists shall wear a uniform consistent with those of the vessel's personnel. Auxiliarists, when working as crew on a Coast Guard vessel, shall wear only the member device (Auxiliary emblem) as collar insignia.

A.10. Formal Events

Wearing of the Auxiliary uniform is additionally authorized as follows:

- At civilian and military events requiring formal wear, Dinner Dress Blue Jacket and Dinner Dress White Jacket. Auxiliarists who do not own Dinner Dress Blue/White Jacket may wear Dinner Dress Blue.
 - Service Dress Blue or White may be worn on occasions where Coast Guard and other military persons would wear the same uniform.
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A.11. Other Auxiliary Activities

The Director, or elected leaders at any level, may require a specific uniform be worn to participate in Auxiliary activities other than those listed above. This action may include, but is not limited to, appearances at public affairs activities such as boat shows, civic lectures, while participating in AIM and RAP missions and boating safety booths. When so mandated, the uniform shall be the prescribed uniform for the event or activity.

A.12. Prohibited Occasions

Wearing of the Auxiliary uniform or insignia without proper authority is a violation of law. Prohibited occasions are as follows:

- Auxiliarists shall not wear the uniform in public places of dubious reputation where the uniform might be discredited or disgraced.
 - Auxiliarists must never wear any Auxiliary uniform when engaged in political activities.
 - Auxiliarists may not wear uniforms during paid employment or sports.
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- Unless specifically authorized by the appropriate Coast Guard authority, Auxiliarists shall not wear uniforms into foreign countries. This authorization might be given in the following cases:
 - A scheduled patrol that might enter foreign territories.
 - An approved SAR mission involving foreign borders or territories.
 - A guest on a Coast Guard cutter or aircraft entering foreign territories.
 - Visiting a foreign country as an Auxiliary representative on official business.
 - Unless a facility is on an authorized patrol, Auxiliarists shall not wear a uniform aboard an Auxiliary aircraft or vessel facility.
 - Auxiliarists may not wear any distinctive part of the uniform or official Auxiliary insignia with civilian clothing.
 - Home manufacture of uniforms is not authorized. Special measurement uniforms are available through the Uniform Distribution Center, Woodbine, NJ. (see *Appendix J*)
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Section B. Procurement of Uniforms

Introduction	This section provides sources from which Auxiliarists may purchase uniforms.
B.1. Auxiliary Center	Many uniform accessories and special items are available through the AUXCEN. (see <i>Appendix J</i>) This Center is operated by the CGAuxA, Inc.
B.2. Coast Guard Exchanges and Uniform Stores	The Commandant has authorized Auxiliarists to buy uniform and insignia items in all Coast Guard exchanges and uniform stores. This delegation extends to the outlets of other services for uniform purchases. Special order service (not mail order) may be used in Coast Guard exchanges for items not in stock. Some uniform stores, however, will accept mail orders for uniform garments. The Auxiliary identification card is the only document needed for entry and purchasing ability.
B.3. Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center	Auxiliarists may also order uniforms by mail from the Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), Woodbine, NJ. Order forms are available from the ANSC. Dinner Dress and Service Dress White uniforms may be procured from Navy Exchange Uniform Shops. (see <i>Appendix J</i>)
B.4. Commercial Sources	<p>Auxiliarists may use commercial sources for buying uniforms and insignia. Coast Guard and commercial sources of Auxiliary uniforms can also be found in the Uniform Procurement Guide, which is posted on the Auxiliary web site (see <i>Appendix J</i>) and distributed to all MA officers annually. Auxiliarists should purchase with caution because not all open market uniforms and insignia meet Coast Guard specifications. One can buy, in good faith, apparent regulation items and find such items are not the same. There may be differences in the material, design, cut, shade, durability, color fastness, etc.</p> <p>When buying uniform insignia, Auxiliarists should look for the Coast Guard certification numbers in a semi-concealed location. Certain commercial sources have received Coast Guard certification for the items they manufacture. The safest course is the purchase of insignia supplied to the district by the AUXCEN or ask the MA officer.</p>






Section C. Standards

Introduction In keeping with the true spirit of an organization of volunteers, the possession and wear of the Auxiliary uniform by Auxiliarists should be a matter of personal pride. When in uniform, the Auxiliarist is a representative of DHS, the Coast Guard, Auxiliary, and the U.S. Government. Appearance, uniform fit, and grooming shall reflect the pride of that representation.

C.1. Setting an Example Elected and appointed leaders are expected to wear the uniform properly to set an example. They should help other Auxiliarists develop proper habits of personal appearance, hygiene, and grooming when wearing the uniform. Uniforms shall be pressed, clean, fit properly, and be in good repair.

C.2. Uniforms and Accessories Uniforms and accessories obtained through recognized sources have been Coast Guard certified. The products are made of modern materials and constructed to precise specifications with care. Cleaning and maintenance of uniforms and accessories should present no problems. Labels frequently provide specific cleaning instructions.

C.3. Uniformity Proper Auxiliary uniform wear parallels commonly accepted professional civilian dress standards. The word uniform implies consistency and conformance to certain standards.

NOTE  Ethnic, religious, other apparel or wearage, or personal display items shall not be considered standard uniform items.

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 Auxiliary grooming policy. Attaining the active duty grooming and appearance standards should always be held as the goal for all Auxiliary members wearing the Coast Guard Uniform. Those who choose not to set this example, or wish to express a degree of individuality, shall wear the Auxiliary Blue Blazer outfit in lieu of the uniform.

The following standards may conflict with civilian practices, as they are service-particular and require adherence by the Auxiliarist:

C.3.a. Hats and Caps Auxiliarists should wear hats and caps squarely on the head. Cap grommets will be snug against the cap cover.



C.3.b. Shirts, Coats, and Jackets	Auxiliarists shall wear shirts, coats, jackets, overcoats, and raincoats buttoned. Sleeves shall not be rolled up. When not wearing a tie, only the collar button will be unbuttoned. Military creases are optional on light blue shirts and dark blue dress shirts only. If worn, form creases by pressing two parallel vertical folds in the front of the shirt from the shoulder seam through the center of each pocket to the bottom of the shirt. For men, form three parallel vertical folds on the back, centered between the shirt side seams to the bottom of the yoke. For women, form three parallel vertical folds starting at the center of the shoulder seams and from the middle of the collar seam to the bottom of the shirt. Sewn-in military creases are not authorized.
C.3.c. Ties	Auxiliarists will not wear a tie when it might be a safety hazard.
C.3.d. Trousers, Slacks, and Socks	The bottoms of trousers or slacks without cuffs should touch the shoe tops. The socks must not be exposed when the wearer is standing.
C.3.e. Skirts	Except for formal uniforms, a female skirt hemline will be no higher than the crease in the back of the knee nor lower than 2 inches below the crease.
C.3.f. Handbags	Women's handbags may be carried in the hand or worn over the shoulder with the strap. Women may shorten the strap and carry the handbag over the arm.
C.3.g. Personal Display Items	Members in uniform may wear personal display items such as bracelets, necklaces, wristwatches, ID bracelets and rings. If visible while in uniform, these items must be conservative, non-controversial, and in good taste. There shall be no more than two rings on each hand. Eccentricities in color and manner of wear (for example, rings on every finger) shall not be worn when in uniform.
C.3.h. Earrings/Body Piercing	In uniform, men are prohibited from wearing earrings. Women may wear one pair of gold, silver, or pearl earrings which should be small (maximum ¼ inch) and of the round ball style. Women may wear diamond stud earrings (maximum ¼ inch) with the Dinner Dress uniforms. Dangling and hoop earrings are prohibited while in uniform. No articles, jewelry, or studs other than those specified for women shall be through or attached to the ear, nose, tongue, or any other visible body part while in uniform.
C.3.i. Cosmetics/ Fingernails	Women's cosmetics shall be of conservative color and worn in good taste. Eccentricities in color and manner of wear shall not be worn while in uniform. Men and women shall keep their nails clean. Women may wear nail polish, but the color shall be conservative and neutral in color. Decorative nail art is not authorized while in uniform.
C.3.j. Necklaces and Neck Chains	Necklaces and neck chains must not be visible when wearing the uniform.
C.3.k. Suspenders	Suspenders may be worn under coats and jackets, which prevent the suspenders from being exposed.



C.3.l. Additional Jewelry	The only additional jewelry authorized are cuff links, shirt studs, tie clasps, and tie tacs. These items include the tie tac earned at SAR School which may be worn on ties.
C.3.m. Miscellaneous Articles	Many articles should not be worn or carried exposed on the uniform. These articles include pencils, pens, watch chains or fobs, pins, handkerchiefs, combs, cigarettes, cigars, pipes and similar items.
C.3.n. Hair/Facial Hair	The goal is for men’s hair to be neat and clean, not touch the collar, and be away from the ears. Beards, sideburns, or mustaches if worn, shall be well groomed and neatly trimmed at all times in order not to present a ragged appearance. No portion of a mustache will extend below the lipline of the upper lip. Handlebar mustaches or other eccentric styles are not appropriate while in uniform. Full and partial beards, van dykes, and goatees are authorized. In uniform, patches and spotty clumps of facial hair are not considered beards and are not authorized. The bulk of the beard (distance that the mass of facial hair protrudes from the skin on the face) shall not exceed 1 inch. The length of individual hair shall be limited to 1½ inches. The wearing of beards and mustaches shall not interfere with the operation of oxygen masks, gas masks, or other safety/survival gear. As such, the wearing of beards and moustaches may be prohibited for those participating in certain operational missions as deemed necessary by the Director or a Coast Guard Commanding officer supervising that mission. For uniformity during public appearances as a distinctive element of the Auxiliary, personnel assigned to a Ceremonial Honor Guard shall be clean-shaven. Women’s hair should not be below the collar or extend below the eyebrows when the hat is removed.
C.3.o. Windbreakers and Jackets	Windbreakers and jackets are authorized for use with the Tropical, Winter Dress, Undress and Working uniforms. When worn, the jacket shall be zipped at least ⅔ of the way up.
C.3.p. Eyewear	Frame and lens styles will be conservative and in good taste. Mirrored lenses are prohibited while in uniform.
C.3.q. Religious/Ethnic Items	If wearing the Coast Guard uniform, religious/ethnic items must be concealed or worn only during religious services. They must not detract from the general uniform appearance of Coast Guard Auxiliary personnel.





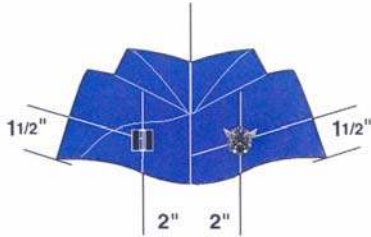
Section D. Uniform Components

Introduction	Auxiliarists are authorized to wear all designated Coast Guard officer uniforms, except Full Dress and Dress uniforms (white gloves, swords, large medals as appropriate). Before purchasing a uniform wardrobe, Auxiliarists should consider what uniforms are needed for duties and functions they will attend. Dinner Dress uniforms and Service Dress White, in particular, have a very limited use. Service Dress Blue (Alpha or Bravo) and Dinner Dress Blue uniforms are, most often, appropriate for any occasion. For most social events, including conference banquets, the Auxiliary Blue Blazer outfit or appropriate civilian clothing is acceptable. Only for certain specific missions and business meetings are uniforms considered a requirement.
D.1. Combination Cap	The combination cap may be worn with most uniforms, except the Working Blue, Operational Dress Uniform (ODU), Blue Blazer outfit, and Jump suit uniforms for both men and women.
D.1.a. Men's Cap	The combination cap is required with the Service Dress White, Service Dress Blue (Alpha), and Dinner Dress uniforms. It is a military cap with black visor and has a rigid standing front with a flaring circular rim. It is worn with a blue cap band with blue mount in front for the hat device, with a silver chin strap and Auxiliary 24-ligne silver retaining button. Auxiliarists wear the hat with a detachable plain white cotton or vinyl cap cover.
D.1.b. Women's Cap	The combination cap is required with the Service Dress White and Service Dress Blue (Alpha). The combination hat crown shall be stiffened and oval in shape. The blue brim shall be rolled at the sides and straight in front and back. The hat shall be encircled by a blue band 1¼ inches wide, with a blue mount in front for the hat device. Two blue streamers are attached to the band at the back. Auxiliarists wear the hat with a detachable white cover.
D.1.c. Plastic Rain Covers	Rain covers may be worn with the combination hat.

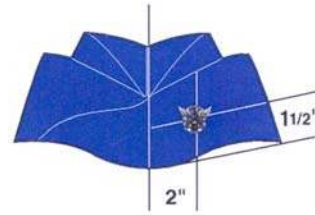


D.2. Garrison Cap

Auxiliarists may wear the garrison cap (see **Figure 10-1**) with Service Dress, Tropical, Winter Dress, or Undress uniforms. Auxiliary aviators may also wear the cap with the Flight suit. The cap may not be worn with the Dinner Dress, Service Dress Blue (Alpha), Working Blue, OD, Jump suit, or Blue Blazer uniforms. The small garrison cap device (see **Figure 10-2**) and small metal insignia designating organizational leadership position (or member insignia) shall be worn on the cap as shown in the figures below, with both men's and woman's uniforms.



Auxiliary Elected or Appointed Leader/Staff Officer Garrison Cap



Auxiliarist Garrison Cap

**Figure 10-1
Garrison Cap**



**Figure 10-2
Cap Device**

D.3. Authorized Caps

Auxiliarists may wear seven types of working caps/hat with the Auxiliary Working uniform or Jump suit. They may only be worn with the Undress Blue Summer (Bravo) uniform during VSCs or on patrol.

D.3.a. Blue Working Utility Cap

The blue working utility cap will display the Coast Guard Auxiliary miniature garrison cap device centered 1 1/4 inches above the visor, no office insignia, no lettering.



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- D.3.b. Dark Blue Auxiliary Baseball Cap
- The dark blue Auxiliary baseball cap does not display the Coast Guard Auxiliary emblem. It has a full front panel that should display “USCG Auxiliary” spelled out or “U.S.C.G.” arched over “Auxiliary”. Letters are silver colored, ½ inch high. Auxiliarists wear their member device or miniature office insignia device between the “U.S. Coast Guard” and “Auxiliary.” Embroidered/sewn-on insignia may be used on this cap. Beneath this lettering Auxiliarists may have inscribed, in the same type lettering, the number of their flotilla, division or district/region. An example would be “FLOT 11-4”. The cap for DCPs and above may have a silver embroidered visor ornamentation, similar to that on the combination cap visor. Caps may have mesh backs.
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- D.3.c. Unit Baseball Cap
- If an Auxiliary unit (flotilla/division) is affiliated with a specific Coast Guard unit, Auxiliarists, when serving at that Coast Guard unit may wear the Coast Guard unit baseball cap in the same manner as the Coast Guard active duty and Reserve, as authorized by the Coast Guard unit Commanding officer. The miniature Auxiliary garrison cap device shall be worn with this cap.
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- D.3.d. White Safety Hard Hat
- A white safety hard hat is authorized as optional protective headgear when prescribed or appropriate. Auxiliarists may wear it with the Working uniform during VEs and CFVEs or crew members may wear it on patrol. Hard hats shall be similar to those authorized for Coast Guard personnel. They are visor type, white in color with a white chin strap. The underside of the visor is to be green. It should be worn with at least 1¼ inches of clearance between suspension liner and top of helmet. Safety hard hats may be marked with a 2-inch self-adhesive transfer decal with the Auxiliary logo. Decals should be centered on the front of the hat with the bottom of the decal ½ inch above the visor. No metal devices or holes may be put in the hard hat. No other insignia or marking may be displayed on this hat. Safety hard hats may not be painted.
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- D.3.e. Air Force Cold Weather Cap
- Air Force Cold Weather caps shall be the approved Air Force commercial design with ear and neck flaps, ribbon tie or strap with covered metal snap fastener. This cap is worn with the Auxiliary combination cap device. The Director will prescribe the proper season for wearing this cap, but wearing it is optional. It may be worn with the Service or Winter Dress, Undress, Working, or Jump suit uniforms.
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- D.3.f. Auxiliary Sun Hat
- The Auxiliary sun hat is a dark blue wide-brimmed cotton hat, with the words “**USCG AUXILIARY**” embroidered in silver on the front. The sun hat may be worn in lieu of the baseball cap or blue utility cap when wearing Undress Blue Summer (Bravo), Working Blue, OD, the Jump suit, Hot Weather uniform, or when on patrol or on VE missions (includes VSCs, personal watercraft (PWC) safety checks, and examinations of UPVs/CFVs). The correct method of wearing the hat is with the brim down for maximum sun protection. No insignia may be worn on the hat. The AUXCEN carries the only hat authorized.
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D.3.g. Knit Watch Cap	The knit watch cap will be the approved Navy design of the navy blue knitted worsted wool, bell shaped pull-over style. The watch cap is authorized for use with the Working Blue and OD uniform and is authorized for cold weather use only.
D.4. Alternative Shirts for Women	The A-line maternity style shirt is authorized for women who would be more comfortable in a looser fitting shirt. It is worn over the waist, eliminating the requirement to wear a belt. The shirt is light blue and comes in both short and long sleeve versions. The Air Force light blue tunic is also authorized.
D.5. Shoulder Boards	Hard shoulder boards are worn on the Dinner Dress White Jacket, the Service Dress White coat, and the reefer for both men and women. Enhanced shoulder boards shall be worn on all shirts having epaulets when worn as a Dress uniform and on the wooly-pully or cardigan sweater.
D.6. Cardigan Sweater	The cardigan sweater is the blue Air Force sweater, of acrylic/wool blend, for wear by men and women. It has a button-front closure with long sleeves, V-neck, epaulets, and elbow patches. It may be worn with Working Blue, OD, Undress Blue, Tropical Blue, Service Dress Blue (Bravo), and Winter Dress Blue uniforms. It is authorized for wear indoors, outdoors (within the limits of the Coast Guard activity), or under an authorized outer garment. It may be worn under the trench coat, reefer coat, bridge coat, and windbreaker. When worn under an outer garment it should not be visible. No name tags, ribbons, or breast insignias are worn. The sweater is worn either buttoned or unbuttoned. The enhanced or soft shoulder boards are worn on the sweater epaulets.
D.7. Wooly-Pully Sweater	Auxiliarists may wear the Coast Guard blue wooly-pully sweater with the Service Dress Blue and Tropical Blue. The sweater may be worn in office or work spaces when the blouse is removed. The wooly-pully may be worn in place of the Service Dress blouse. Auxiliarists may wear it with the Undress and Working uniforms between mission area and home. The sweater is not an outer garment for travel purposes and should not be worn on commercial transportation. The wooly-pully may only be worn beneath the trench coat, windbreaker, reefer coat, and work jacket. When worn with a short sleeve, open collar shirt, the shirt collar will be worn outside the sweater. Auxiliarists will wear enhanced or soft shoulder boards on the wooly-pully. When worn over the Undress Blue Summer or the Winter Dress Blue, collar services on the shirt collar will not be removed. Auxiliarists will not wear ribbons, breast insignia, name tags, or other devices on the wooly-pully sweater.
D.8. Scarves	Scarves are white or blue, and made of tightly woven wool or silk material of plain design. Auxiliarists may wear the white or dark blue scarf with the reefer coat, overcoat, or trench coat. The blue scarf may be worn by Auxiliarists with Undress Blue, Working Blue, or OD uniforms and all outer garments authorized with those uniforms.



D.9. Uniform Accessories

Uniform accessories may include the following:

- Gloves
 - Handbags
 - Umbrella
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D.9.a. Gloves

Authorized gloves are white or black. White gloves are made of cotton, lisle or other suitable cloth material. Black gloves are made of leather or a synthetic leather substitute material. Glove stitching will match glove color and may be short or medium length.

D.9.b. Handbags

Women's handbags are black or white and made of leather or suitable synthetic material. They are plain or embossed with a leather grain pattern and are an envelope style with a matching detachable shoulder strap. The nominal size is 11 inches wide by 7½ inches deep.

D.9.c. Undershirts

Undershirts are white cotton, with quarter sleeves. V-neck undershirts are required for wear with Jump suits and all short sleeve shirts worn with open collar.

D.9.d. Umbrella

An umbrella is authorized with all Auxiliary uniforms. It must be of the type which folds into a small unit and fits in a briefcase or can be carried compactly in hand. The umbrella shall be black, unadorned and with a straight handle.

D.10. Outer Garments

Auxiliarists are authorized to wear all Coast Guard authorized outer garments including, but not limited to, the following (while the items may not be available through regular Coast Guard supply sources, they may continue to be worn until no longer serviceable):

D.10.a. Air Force Poly/Wool Windbreaker

The Air Force poly/wool windbreaker with a removable thinsulate liner is authorized for wear. It is an outer garment and may be worn over all shirts and sweaters, including the wooly-pully. Auxiliarists may wear it in place of the Service Dress Blue coat, unless the coat is prescribed or considered more appropriate. Auxiliarists wear the large metal shoulder insignia with this windbreaker. No name tags or other patches or devices are worn on this jacket. When worn it shall be zipped at least ²/₃ of the way up. This windbreaker may be worn with all uniforms. Cotton and Dacron (old style) windbreakers with no liner are no longer authorized for wear.

D.10.b. Work Jacket

The work jacket is made of navy blue polyester/cotton material with a zippered front closure. It has breast pockets with zipper closure, welt hip pockets, raglan sleeves, knitted wristlets, and is fully lined. It may be worn with all Undress and Working uniforms. No insignia, name tags, or patches are worn with this work jacket.



D.10.c. All
Weather Parka

The all weather parka is fully waterproof with a removable liner. It is of upper thigh length with a Coast Guard blue laminated supplex nylon and Gore-Tex™ outer shell with a foldaway hood and a wind stopping polar-fleece zip-in liner which also serves as a stand-alone jacket and is rated for use in temperatures down to 0 °F. It has a tab on the front for placement of collar device size office insignia. Auxiliarists may wear the all weather parka with Tropical Blue, Winter Dress Blue, Undress Blue, Operational Dress, and Working Blue uniforms. Members may wear it in place of the Service Dress Blue Coat, unless the coat is prescribed or considered more appropriate.

D.10.d. Reefer
Coat

The reefer coat is Coast Guard blue, double breasted, hip length with convertible collar and set-in pockets. The four gold Coast Guard buttons down each fore part are replaced with four large silver Auxiliary buttons. Auxiliarists wear hard shoulder boards on the coat. Auxiliarists may wear the reefer coat with all Service Dress, Winter Dress, and Undress uniforms.

D.10.e. Trench
Coat

The trench coat is made of a dark blue polyester/cotton water repellent material. It is double-breasted with four button closure, shoulder epaulets, belted waist, sleeves and includes a removable liner. It is knee length. When worn, all four large, dark breast buttons and the belt must be fastened. Auxiliarists wear the large metal office insignia on the epaulets. Auxiliarists may wear the trench coat with all uniforms.

D.10.f. Overcoat

The overcoat is made of Coast Guard blue material of conventional length. It is fully lined, semi-fitted style, with lay down collar and notched lapel, set-in sleeves, and flap-weld hip pockets. The single row of gold Coast Guard buttons are replaced with four large silver Auxiliary buttons. Auxiliarists may wear the overcoat with all Service Dress and Undress uniforms. Hard shoulder boards are worn.

D.10.g.
Organizational
Clothing

For organizational clothing, see *Uniform Regulations*, COMDTINST M1020.6 (series).



Section E. Auxiliary Unique Items

Introduction	This section describes uniform items that are unique to the Auxiliary.
E.1. Authorized Items	<p>The following articles are officially designed and approved by the National Board. Auxiliarists may wear them at Auxiliary social functions, in PE classes, at meetings, and at conferences.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auxiliary ring (contact AUXCEN). • Auxiliary lapel and longevity Pins - Auxiliarists may wear them only on civilian attire. • Auxiliary blazer patch - Auxiliarists may wear this on the Blue Blazer outfit or civilian attire. The official blazer patch is round and contains the Auxiliary logo with stars around it.
E.2. Blue Blazer Outfit	<p>The Blue Blazer may be single-breasted, two- or three-button, with civilian or Auxiliary buttons, and with pockets (any kind). The Blue Blazer outfit is highly recommended to be worn when an Auxiliarist in uniform does not present an appearance in keeping with organizational standards of wear, or if the UDC does not stock or have properly fitting sizes. (see <i>Section C</i> of this chapter) The Auxiliary patch is sewn on the left breast pocket. Material is dark blue flannel, tropical worsted, or similar commercial blend. The official blazer patch is round and contains the Auxiliary logo with stars around it. The Auxiliary Blue Blazer outfit may be substituted for all Auxiliary uniforms, except the Undress Blue Summer, Working Blue, and OD uniforms. The Auxiliary Blue Blazer outfit may be authorized by unit Commanding Officers for wear in office spaces while on duty at Coast Guard units. Auxiliary Blue Blazer outfits are authorized as follows:</p>
E.2.a. Women's Blue Blazer Outfit	<p>The Blue Blazer may be worn with white or gray dress slacks, white or gray skirts, pleated or straight. Skirt and slacks are to be made of tropical worsted or polyester blend. Dress slacks are full cut, straight hanging, and without cuffs. Neutral nylon hose and plain unadorned black shoes with 1- to 2³/₈-inch high heels complete the outfit. Black socks may be worn with slacks.</p> <p>The blouse is white, buttoned front, of simple design, without ruffles or ornamentation. The blue tab tie is worn for normal occasions and the black tab tie for formal occasions.</p>
E.2.b. Men's Blue Blazer Outfit	<p>The Blue Blazer may be worn with white or gray dress trousers. They are to be made of tropical worsted or polyester blend. The trousers are full cut, straight hanging and without cuffs. Black socks and black dress shoes complete the outfit.</p> <p>A white dress shirt and a dark blue necktie are worn for normal occasions, and black bow tie for formal occasions.</p>



E.2.c. Civilian Outer Garments	Civilian outer garments (topcoats, raincoats, etc.) worn with the Blue Blazer shall match the Blazer in general color and style to avoid garish mismatches.
E.3. Auxiliary Jump Suit	Auxiliarists may wear a Jump suit on patrols and while conducting VSCs. Jump suits will be worn on patrols only if worn by all crew members.
	The Jump suit is dark blue, long- or short-sleeved, with or without belt loops. If with belt loops, the uniform belt and buckle shall be worn. No sewn-in belts (self belts) are authorized. The Jump suit may be purchased from commercial sources.
E.3.a. Auxiliary Patch	An Auxiliary patch, 2¼ by 3¼ inches, is worn on the left breast pocket. The Auxiliary patch will be a sew-on with white or black background. Auxiliarists may wear a U.S. flag patch, about 2 by 3½ inches, on the upper part of the left sleeve ½ inch below the shoulder seam. Both patches may be purchased from the AUXCEN.
E.3.b. Name Tag	A name tag is worn on the right breast and is either the regular pin-on type, Velcro style or sew-on name tag. When using the sew-on name tag, the sew-on “ USCG AUXILIARY ” tag must be on the left breast.
E.3.c. Insignia or Collar Devices	Miniature office insignia or member collar devices are authorized to be worn. Cloth embroidered collar devices may be worn.
E.3.d. Shoes	Blue, white or brown boating shoes or all black, low top athletic shoes with black socks are worn.
E.3.e. Caps	The blue unit baseball or blue working utility caps, and windbreakers are authorized.



Section F. Uniform Accessories

Introduction	This section describes the various accessories that Auxiliarists are authorized to wear with their uniforms.
F.1. Insignia	All Auxiliary insignia, with the exception of Commodore shoulder boards, must include the letter “A.” On metal insignia, the “A” is blue for elected leaders and red for appointed officers. Shoulder boards have the red “A” within the outline of a silver color shield for appointed officers. The “A” for elected leaders is the same as the silver color shield. Commodore shoulder boards are designed exactly like Coast Guard flag officers except they are silver instead of gold.
F.1.a. Member Device	Auxiliarists who have never held office wear the member device (the Auxiliary emblem) on shirt collars. Auxiliarist shoulder boards have a silver color “A” within the silver color shield on a blue background.
F.1.b. Silver Sleeve Lace and Shield	Auxiliary silver sleeve lace and shield are worn on Dinner Dress Blue jackets and Service Dress Blue coats. The appropriate shield is centered outside the sleeve. The lace completely circles the sleeve and is terminated inside the sleeve seam at the back of the sleeve. The first row of lace is 2 inches above the cuff. Each succeeding row of lace and the shield are ¼ inch above the preceding lace. With the exception of DCOs, NADCOs, ARCOs, the NAVCO, and the NACO, insignia appropriate to office held is the same as illustrated for shoulder boards. DCOs, NADCOs, ARCOs, the NAVCO, and the NACO wear silver sleeve lace similar to the gold sleeve lace of Coast Guard Flag officers.
F.1.c. Stripes	A DCO or NADCO wear one 2-inch stripe. ARCOs and the NAVCO wear a 2-inch stripe with a ½-inch stripe ¼ inch above it. The NACO wears a 2-inch stripe with two ½-inch stripes above it, ¼ inch apart.
F.1.d. Large Metal Shoulder Insignia	Members wear the large metal shoulder insignia on the epaulets of blue raincoats, trench coats, windbreakers, and blue overcoats. The letter “A” faces outboard and the outer edge of the insignia is placed ¾ inch from the outer edge. Auxiliarists wear the small metal collar devices with the Undress, Working, Jump suit and Winter Dress Blue uniforms. They are also worn on the garrison cap. Auxiliarists may substitute cloth embroidered collar devices on the dark blue, long or short sleeve shirts worn with the Working Blue and OD uniforms, and Auxiliary Jump suit.
F.2. Aiguillette	A cord hung in loops from the left shoulder, known as an aiguillette, may be worn by VCO, NACO Aide (N-D only), and DCO Aide (D-AD only). It is not worn on any uniform with the insignia of a DCO or above. (see Figure 10-3)
F.2.a. Raincoats and Windbreakers	When Auxiliarists wear raincoats or windbreakers, the aiguillette shall be worn on the inside.



F.2.b. Service Aiguillette

The cords are bound together, lying flat, side by side, with a strip of ½-inch silver lace. For attaching a service aiguillette to the uniform it is fitted with a clasp pin. The aiguillette is attached to the shoulder of the coat just inside the sleeve band seams by the pin. A service aiguillette is worn with Service Dress Blue (Bravo) and Tropical uniforms.

F.2.c. Dress Aiguillette

For attaching a dress aiguillette to the uniform and overcoat, a small flat button covered with black silk is used for securing the becket. It is placed under the coat collar at the height of the collarbone. The pencils hang over the lapel, their suspension cords emerging from the notch in the lapel.

A dress aiguillette is worn with Dinner Dress and Service Dress Blue (Alpha) uniforms at official ceremonies. This includes occasions requiring special honors and ceremonies. It is worn at social functions when prescribed, and at social functions for which formal invitations have been extended.

F.2.d. Purchase

Aiguillettes are normally purchased with Auxiliary unit funds and remain the property of the Auxiliary unit providing them.

F.2.e. Distinguishing Characteristics

Aiguillettes follow the insignia tradition of blue "A" for elected leaders and red "A" for appointed officers. Aiguillettes for a VCO are distinguished by silver and dark blue braiding. Aiguillettes for the N-D and DCO aides have silver and dark red braiding. Aides for DCOs wear two cords and the aide for the NACO wears three cords.

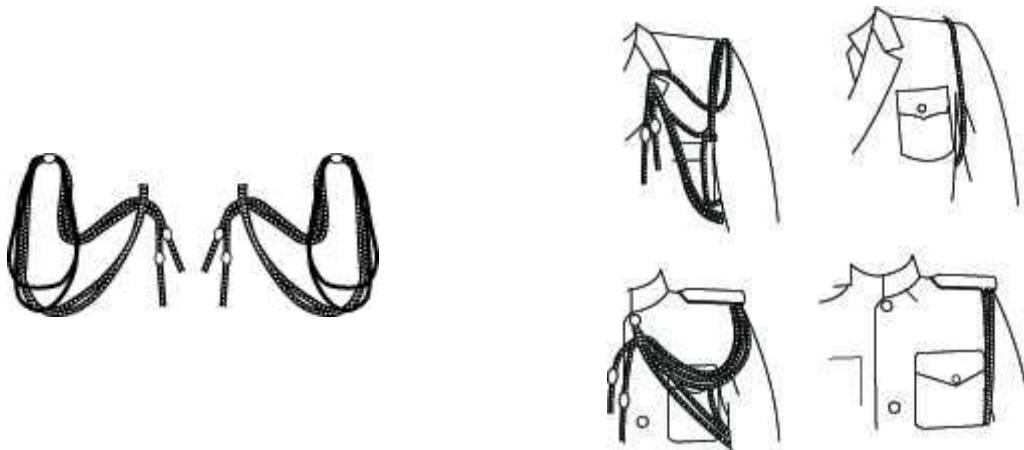


Figure 10-3
Aiguillettes



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- F.3. Name Tags** Name tags identify an Auxiliarist by name and as an Auxiliarist. Name tags will be $3\frac{3}{16}$ inches wide, and $\frac{5}{8}$ inch high. They are white with Coast Guard blue lettering. Only the surname will be used and it will be horizontally centered in $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch letters. Beneath the name will be centered horizontally, in $\frac{3}{16}$ -inch letters, "U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary." The tags are made of Bakelite or similar material to hold the hard finish and will have clutch-type fasteners. Auxiliarists may wear these name tags on civilian attire when serving in an Auxiliary capacity.
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- F.4. Embroidery Options** Auxiliarists may have last names and "**USCG AUXILIARY**" embroidered in $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch white lettering directly onto Working Blue shirt and Jump Suit or the lesser preferred option of navy blue (black) cloth tapes with $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch white lettering sewn on the Working Blue shirts and Jump Suit. The embroidery or tape with Auxiliarist's last name shall be over the right breast pocket. The embroidery or tape with the words "**USCG AUXILIARY**" shall be over the left breast pocket. The tape shall extend the width of the pocket. Though authorized, cloth tapes tend to fade faster than uniforms and need to be replaced more often than the shirt itself. Member device replicas embroidered on cloth tape may be sewn on the collars of all Working Blue uniforms, ODUs, and Auxiliary Jump suits. The sew-on coxswain insignia is authorized to be sewn above the nametape over the left breast pocket. No other sew-on devices are authorized.
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- F.5. Ribbons and Medals** Auxiliarists wear ribbons and medals, as part of the uniform, as tangible evidence of certain awards received. Auxiliarists who are authorized U.S. awards may wear the corresponding ribbons on all but Undress, Working/ODU, Blue Blazer, Flight Suit, and Jump suit uniforms. Auxiliarists authorized foreign awards may wear them provided at least one U.S. or Auxiliary award is worn.
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- F.5.a. Ribbons** Auxiliarists wear one, two, or three ribbons in a single row. They are worn in order of precedence, from inboard to outboard. When wearing more than one row, the precedence is from top down. When wearing ribbons, Auxiliarists may wear either all ribbons authorized, their three senior ribbons or their choice of nine of their authorized ribbons. When wearing more than one row of ribbons, all rows except the uppermost will contain three ribbons. If not in multiples of three, the uppermost row shall contain the lesser number. The upper row is to be centered over the center of the one below it. Ribbons shall be worn without intervals between ribbons and rows of ribbons. They shall be worn with the lower edge of the bottom row centered $\frac{1}{4}$ inch above the left breast pocket. On uniforms with no pocket, ribbons are worn in the same relative position.
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F.5.b. Concealed Ribbons	<p>When the number of rows is considerable, the service coat lapel will conceal some ribbons. If one-third or more of a ribbon is concealed, ribbons shall be placed in successively decreasing rows. While at least two-thirds of the ribbon is visible, use 3-ribbon rows. Then, to maintain two-thirds visibility change to 2-ribbon rows. Finally, when required, use a single ribbon. The left edge of all decreasing rows will be in line vertically. When the uppermost row presents an unsatisfactory appearance when so aligned, place it in the position presenting the neatest appearance. It is usually centered over the row immediately below it. Ribbons arranged in this fashion may only be worn on the Service Dress Blue coat, not on shirts.</p>
F.5.c. Attaching Ribbons	<p>Ribbons may be sewn to uniforms, fastened magnetically or with Velcro or arranged on bars to be attached to the uniform. They shall not be impregnated with preservatives that change ribbon appearance. Ribbons shall not be worn with transparent covering of any sort.</p>
F.5.d. Miniature Medals on Women's Uniforms	<p>On Dinner Dress Blue Jacket and Dinner Dress White Jacket uniforms, miniature medals shall be worn on the lapel of the jacket. The holding bar of the lowest row of medals is placed in the same relative position as on the men's jacket, approximately 1/3 of the way down from the top, between the shoulder seam and the jacket hem. If the length of the holding bar exceeds the width of the lapel it shall extend over the edge of the lapel onto the left breast of the coat.</p> <p>On the Dinner Dress Blue uniform (Service Dress Blue coat), the holding bar of the lowest row of miniature medals will be worn centered immediately above the left breast pocket.</p>
F.5.e. Miniature Medals on Men's Uniforms	<p>On the Dinner Dress Blue Jacket and Dinner Dress White Jacket uniforms, the holding bar of the lowest row of miniature medals shall be positioned 3 inches below the lapel notch of the jacket. It is centered on the left lapel. If greater than 2¾ inches in length, the bar shall extend over the edge of the lapel onto the left breast of the coat.</p> <p>On Dinner Dress Blue uniforms (Service Dress Blue coat), the holding bar of the lowest row of miniature medals will be worn centered immediately above the left breast pocket.</p>
F.5.f. Miniature Medals	<p>Auxiliarists wear miniature medals on Dinner Dress uniforms. Ribbons for which there is no comparable miniature medal will not be worn with dinner dress uniforms. Medal arrangement is by precedence from inboard to outboard, and from top down. All may be worn, if desired. Auxiliarists may wear up to five miniature medals in a row. The wearing of six or more miniature medals should conform to the arrangement shown on the following medal matrix:</p>



**Table 10-1
Miniature Medal Placement**

No. of Medals to be Worn	Prescribed No. of Rows	Top Row	2 nd Row	3 rd Row	4 th Row
1-5	1 row only	1-5			
6	2	3	3		
7	2	3	4		
8	2	4	4		
9	2	4	5		
10	2	5	5		
11	3	3	4	4	
12	3	4	4	4	
13	3	3	5	5	
14	3	4	5	5	
15	3	5	5	5	
16	4	4	4	4	4

F.5.g. Miniature Medal Placement

Each miniature shall be 2¼ inches long from top of ribbon to bottom of medal. The bottom of medals should dress in a horizontal line. Upper rows of medals shall be positioned so these medals cover the ribbons of the medals below.

F.6. Buttons

Auxiliary silver buttons come in three sizes. The large button is approximately a 7/8-inch diameter or 35 ligne. The medium size button is approximately a ¾-inch diameter or 28 ligne. The small button is approximately a ½-inch diameter or 22½ ligne.

NOTE 

A ligne is a linear unit 1/40 inch used to measure diameters of buttons.

F.7. Collar Devices

The diagrams below indicate how Auxiliarists should wear collar devices on the various shirts for which they are authorized. In certain cases, the insignia of the current or highest past office is replaced with the member device.



F.7.a. Working Blue and Undress

For Working Blue, ODU, and Undress short sleeve shirts without epaulettes, the insignia shall be centered on the collar, along an imaginary line bisecting the angle of the collar point. (see **Figure 10-4**)

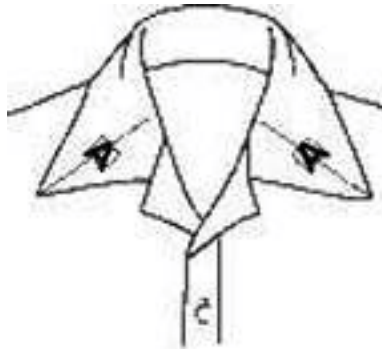


Figure 10-4
Working Blue, ODU, and Undress Short Sleeve Collar Insignia

F.7.b. Undress Blue Winter, Short Sleeve, and Winter Dress Blue

For Undress Blue winter, short sleeve, and Winter Dress Blue shirts, the insignia shall be centered on the collar between the visible top and bottom collar edges with the devices, centered 1 inch from and parallel to the inner collar edges. (see **Figure 10-5**)

Positioning is determined by the style of the collar and not whether or not a tie is being worn.

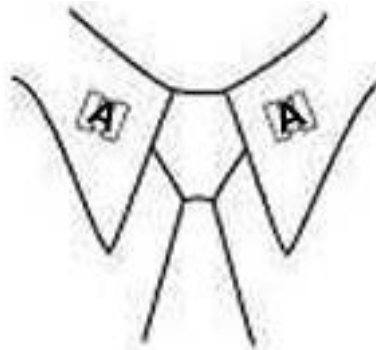


Figure 10-5
Undress Blue Winter, Short Sleeve, and Winter Dress Blue Shirt Collar Insignia



F.7.c.
Commodore
Insignia

Auxiliarists authorized to wear the insignia of Commodore shall wear the device centered on the collar between the visible top and bottom collar edges, with the first star of the device 1 inch from the inner edge of the collar. (see **Figure 10-6**)



Figure 10-6
Commodore Collar Insignia

**F.8. Proper
Placement of
Ribbons, Name
Tags, and
Qualification
Devices**

The following describes the proper placement of ribbons, name tags, and qualification devices.

F.8.a. Left Side of
Uniform

The illustrations for various uniforms at the end of this chapter indicate proper placement for ribbons, name tag, breast devices, and qualification devices. As shown, the lowest row of ribbons is $\frac{1}{4}$ inch above the top left pocket. The first breast device, the coxswain insignia, is placed $\frac{1}{4}$ inch above the top row of ribbons. The second breast device, if worn, is placed $\frac{1}{4}$ inch below the pocket top. Auxiliarists wear ribbons and breast devices only on the left side of the uniform.

On women's light blue short-sleeved shirts without pockets, ribbons are centered on the left side of the shirt, with the lower edge of the bottom row of ribbons aligned with the top of the third button from the top of the shirt front.



F.8.b. Right Side of Uniform

On the right side of the uniform, Auxiliarists wear the name tag ¼ inch above the pocket. An AUXOP device, if authorized, is worn ¼ inch above the name tag. Auxiliarists wear the past officer device, if appropriate, ¼ inch below the top of the pocket. No other ribbons or devices are authorized.

Although the illustration shows a Tropical Blue uniform shirt, Auxiliarists wear these items in the same relative position on the Service Dress Blue coat and the Winter Dress Blue uniform shirt.

On women's light blue shirts without pockets, the name tag is centered on the right side of the shirt, with the bottom of the name tag aligned with the top of the third button from the top of the shirt front.

F.8.c. Exceptions

On the Undress, Working Blue, and ODU shirts, Auxiliarists do not wear ribbons. The first Auxiliary qualification breast device is worn ¼ inch above the top of the left pocket. The second is worn ¼ inch below the top of the left pocket.

F.9. Breast Devices

The following describes the proper placement of breast devices.

F.9.a. AUXOP Device

Auxiliarists wear the AUXOP device, instead of the Specialty Training ribbon, after completing all specialty courses. Auxiliarists wear it on the right, immediately above the name tag on all but Dinner Dress uniforms. On the Dinner Dress Blue, males wear it immediately above the pocket. Females wear it in the same relative position. On the Dinner Dress White or Blue jacket, males wear it centered on the right lapel about 3 inches below the notch. Females wear it on the right lapel, in the same relative position. (see **Figure 10-7**)



**Figure 10-7
AUXOP Device**

F.9.b. Command Insignia, Service and Staff Identification Badges

The only exceptions to the following insignia placement are the Coast Guard or Navy command at-sea or command ashore insignia plus service and staff identification badges.



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- F.9.b.1. Command At-Sea and Ashore Insignias
- Auxiliarists may wear both the command at-sea and command ashore insignia with two other breast devices of choice. Auxiliarists may wear either or both command insignias on the left breast, centered immediately below any ribbons, medals, or the second breast insignia (below the pocket button if necessary). When worn alone, Auxiliarists wear the command insignia(s) centered immediately above the pocket. Male Auxiliarists center the device on the Dinner Dress jacket left lapel, about 3½ inches below the notch. Female Auxiliarists wear it in that same relative position.
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- F.9.b.2. Service and Staff Badge
- Auxiliarists are authorized to wear one service and staff identification badge, in addition to any two breast insignia and command insignia. They are to be worn centered on the right breast pocket and in the same relative position on Dinner Dress jackets.
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- F.9.b.3. Auxiliary National Staff Badge
- While serving on the National Staff, Auxiliarists may wear the Auxiliary National Staff identification badge. Auxiliarists may wear this badge replacing any service or staff badge or insignia worn centered on the right breast pocket of dress uniforms and in the same relative position on dress uniforms with no pockets. Women may wear the staff badge above the name tag and in the same relative position on the Dinner Dress jacket. When worn above the name tag, female Auxiliarists wear the AUXOP device, if earned, below the name tag. On the Dinner Dress Blue jacket, men wear it centered on the right side between the top two buttons and women wear it centered on the right side above the top button. On the Dinner Dress White jacket, both men and women wear it centered on the right side above the top button. Auxiliarists do not wear it on Undress or Working uniforms. Two sizes of National Staff badges are authorized. The larger is worn for formal occasions while the smaller is worn for normal day wear. Women have the option of wearing the smaller badge on formal occasions. (see **Figure 10-8**)
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Figure 10-8
National Staff Identification Badge



F.9.c. Past Officer Device

Past elected and appointed leaders are authorized to wear the insignia of the highest office held, if held for at least six months. VCOs and above must have held office for one year or longer. When insignia no longer indicates the current office, Auxiliarists must wear the past officer device. This device does not come with a red or blue "A" to distinguish past staff from elected leader status. The appropriate office insignia remains the distinguishing mark. Past officer status does not authorize the wearing of aiguillettes. The following are guidelines for wearing the past officer device. (see **Figure 10-9**)



Figure 10-9
Past Officer Device

F.9.c.1. On Men's Dinner Dress White or Blue

On men's Dinner Dress White or Blue uniforms, the device will be worn centered on the right lapel approximately 3½ inches below the notch.

F.9.c.2. On Women's Dinner Dress White or Blue

On women's Dinner Dress White or Blue uniforms, the device will be worn on the right lapel, in the same relative position as above.

F.9.c.3. All Other Men's and Women's Uniforms

On all other men's and women's uniforms the device will be worn on the right, centered approximately ¼ inch below the name tag, or in that same relative position, on uniforms with which the name tag is not worn or balanced with the AUXOP device in whatever precedence is desired.



F.9.d. Auxiliary
Coxswain Insignia

The Auxiliary coxswain insignia may be worn by Auxiliarists qualified as coxswain in the boat crew qualification program. Raised portions shall be maintained with a highly-polished appearance. The recessed and remaining portions shall be antique bronze. Previous coxswain insignia not having highly polished raised portions remain authorized. It is normally worn above the ribbons or medals over the left breast pocket. (see **Figure 10-10**)



Figure 10-10
Auxiliary Coxswain Insignia

F.9.e. Aviation
Insignia

The Auxiliary aviation insignia may be worn by qualified Auxiliary pilots and aircrew. It is worn above ribbons or medals over the left breast pocket. (see **Figure 10-11** and **Figure 10-12**)



Figure 10-11
Auxiliary Aviator Insignia



Figure 10-12
Auxiliary Air Crew Insignia



F.9.f. Marine Safety Insignia

The Coast Guard Marine Safety insignia is a pebble finished rectangle with a polished gold horizontal trident and a centered compass rose. A rope entwines the tridents and compass rose. Centered on the compass rose is a polished silver shield. The Coast Guard Auxiliary Marine Safety insignia is similar in appearance to the Coast Guard Marine Safety insignia with an additional blue Coast Guard Auxiliary shield with crossed anchors in the center of the device centered above a trident. After completion of the Marine Safety personal qualification standard (PQS) program and after meeting other criteria, Auxiliarists may earn entitlement to wear the Coast Guard Marine Safety Insignia providing they receive a recommendation by the Commanding officer of a Marine Safety Office. (see **Figure 10-13**)



Figure 10-13
Marine Safety Insignia

F.9.f.1. Conditional Award Status

An Auxiliarist reaches conditional award status when all requirements for permanent award are met, with the exception of having completed four (4) approved years of service of 96 hours each year. Auxiliarists considered for a conditional award should have performed, and are continuing to perform, significant services in support of marine safety programs. The conditional award would provide recognition for these Auxiliarists by allowing them to wear the device while completing the remaining permanent award requirements.

F.9.f.2. Conditional Award Consideration

In order for a member to be considered for a conditional award, they shall have completed the following requirements:

- A member shall be actively and continuously engaged in support of Marine safety missions.
- A member shall have successfully completed all required courses of study.
- A member shall hold four (4) Letters of Designation for approved Auxiliary or active duty PQSs at the time of application for conditional award.
- A member shall be actively and continuously engaged in the completion of the remaining requirement for permanent entitlement.

“Actively and continuously engaged” is defined as recording not less than 96 hours per year in the performance of marine safety activities, using the skills of the designated marine safety qualifications, each calendar year until the requirements for permanent entitlement are met.



F.9.f.3.
Requirement
Failure

Should a member fail to be actively and continuously engaged until all requirements have been met for permanent entitlement, the COTP for whom the member provides his services shall vacate the conditional award, collect the Trident device, and forward the same to the Director, along with a letter of explanation. In the event that a conditional award is vacated, the member must comply with all requirements for the permanent award of the Trident device in effect at the time the conditional award is vacated.

F.9.f.4.
Conditional
Award
Application

Application for the conditional award shall be made by the Auxiliarist and be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from the COTP of the marine safety field unit for which the Auxiliarist provides his/her services. The application with the letter of recommendation and all required documentation shall be sent to the members' DSO-MS for review and endorsement and if determined to be complete, shall be forwarded to the Auxiliarist's Director for approval and entry into AUXDATA as a conditional award.

Upon approval by the Director of this Conditional award entitlement, the Director shall issue the Conditional award certificate and the device to the Auxiliarist at an appropriate ceremony.

F.9.g. Recruiting
Badge

Auxiliarists at recruiting offices may wear the Coast Guard recruiting badge, in addition to any others. In order for Auxiliarists to wear this badge, they shall:

- Meet the Commandant's weight standards.
- Meet the Commandant's grooming and uniform appearance standards.
- Have completed recruiter training or the recruiter PQS.
- Be actively working for a Coast Guard recruiting office and receive a positive recommendation from the OIC.
- Additionally, the OIC of the recruiting office must forward a request to the regional recruiting commander via the OIC's enlisted recruiting supervisor. The request shall contain full length front and profile photographs of the Auxiliarist and a short narrative supporting the request. The regional recruiting command will then authorize, in writing, the Auxiliarist to wear the recruiting badge. (see **Figure 10-14**)



Figure 10-14
Coast Guard Recruiting Badge



F.9.h. Auxiliary
Personal
Watercraft
Insignia

The Auxiliary Personal Watercraft (PWC) Operators insignia dull silver metal pin may be worn by Auxiliarists that are qualified and certified as PWC Operators in the Auxiliary boat crew qualification program. It is normally worn above the ribbons or medals over the left breast pocket. (see **Figure 10-15**)



Figure 10-15
Auxiliary Personal Watercraft Insignia

F.9.i. Boat Force
Operations
Insignia

The Boat Force Operations Insignia is a solid matte silver toned metal device with an eight point compass/compass rose, over a crossed boat hook and oar centered over stylized waves. Auxiliarists are not authorized to wear the device on a temporary basis. The insignia is unique in one design which comes in two color schemes: a pewter-toned device indicating five years of service at boat force units and qualification as a boat crew member, and a silver and gold-toned device indicating five years of service and completion of a series of Coast Guard Force leadership related requirements. For qualification requirements for either insignia, refer to the *Boat Operations and Training (BOAT) Manual, Volume I*, COMDTINST 16114.32 (series). For manner of wear, refer to the *Coast Guard Uniform Regulations Manual*, COMDTINST M1020.6 (series). (see **Figure 10-16**)



Figure 10-16
Boat Force Operations Insignia

F.9.j. Miniature
Devices

Miniature Devices may only be worn on Dinner Dress uniforms. Auxiliarists may wear the AUXOP and past officer devices on all uniforms.



F.9.k. Other Devices

Auxiliarists may wear only two breast devices at one time and these are worn on the uniform's left side only. Breast devices include the following qualification devices: coxswain, aviator, air crew and PWC operator. Other authorized devices include those earned during U.S. military service, such as the combat infantryman and medic badge, aviation wings, Air Force specialty badges, pathfinder, airborne and air assault badges, submariner dolphins, etc. The wearer may select any two and decide their precedence. Auxiliarists wear the first device on the left centered directly above the ribbons or miniature medals. Auxiliarists wear the second device centered on the pocket flap immediately below the ribbons or miniature medals. For example, wearing Auxiliary aviator wings centered on the left, above the ribbons, and an Auxiliary coxswain insignia centered below the ribbons. Sew-on patches, strips, Auxiliary unit designations, honor guard, ranger, special forces, and other cloth patches, not otherwise approved for wear, are not authorized on the Auxiliary uniform.

F.9.l. Military Award Recipients

Although various military services allow for particular military awards, decorations and badges on the uniform's right side (i.e., Army Unit Awards), such is not the case for the Auxiliary uniform. All prior military awards, badges and devices will be worn on the left side of the uniform. The right side of the Auxiliary uniform is reserved for Auxiliary badges and name tags (i.e., AUXOP pin, past officer pin, name tag, and Auxiliary National Staff badge, or other service staff or service identification badges). Appropriate ribbon sizes are available for purchase to include such Coast Guard unit awards on the ribbon bar worn over the left breast pocket.

F.9.m. Civil Air Patrol

CAP/AFA ribbons are not authorized for wear on the Auxiliary uniform.

F.9.n. Auxiliary Cutterman Insignia

The Auxiliary Cutterman insignia (**Figure 10-17**) is intended to identify and recognize the commitment of Coast Guard Auxiliarists currently working in the cutter fleet who have regularly dedicated their efforts in support of the cutter community. This insignia will distinguish those Auxiliarists who have achieved the requisite level of qualification, knowledge, and experience that includes both practical and proven understanding and appreciation for cutter force command, management, and operations. Refer to *Coast Guard Auxiliary Cutterman Insignia*, COMDTINST 1650.9 (series), for more information.



Figure 10-17
Auxiliary Cutterman Insignia



F.9.n.1.
Requirements

Auxiliarists who meet the following criteria are entitled to wear the Auxiliary Cutterman insignia:

- Perform a minimum of 52 days per year (equivalent to 1 day per week per year) aboard a cutter, 65' in length or greater, for a minimum of 2 years, underway or in port. Of those 52 days, a minimum period of 24 shall be served as underway days as defined *Cutter Employment Standards*, COMDTINST M3100.5 (series). A total of 104 or more days over two years does not meet this requirement if at least 52 days were not served in each calendar year.
- Complete the Personnel Qualification Standard (PQS) for Damage Control, NAVEDTRA 43119-H (series) – Watch stations 301-308, or for cutters 175' in length or less, Special and Emergency Operations and Procedures (SEOPS) Volume I & II – Basic Damage Control as per *Cutter Training and Qualification Manual*, COMDTINST M3502.4 (series).
- Complete qualifications to support the cutter in a minimum of one Watch Quarter Station Bill (WQSB) position. The suitability of this position for the individual shall be a Commanding Officer or OIC determination. Watchstander certification shall be achieved by completing any required Coast Guard or unit PQS/Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) process.

F.9.n.2. Design

This basic insignia design is identical in size and form to the Coast Guard Cutterman insignia. A pewter Auxiliary emblem is superimposed in the center of the bronze-tone stylized waves. This color scheme distinguishes it as an Auxiliary insignia.

F.9.n.3.
Administration

Commanding Officers or elected or appointed leaders will ensure all requirements have been met before certification. The unit commander shall document the achievement with Administrative Remarks (CG-3307). A copy of the Administrative Remarks shall be presented to the appropriate FSO via the Auxiliarist for verification and submission to the District Director of Auxiliary. The Director shall provide the initial insignia and certification notification to the Auxiliarist's Flotilla Commander for presentation.



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Figure 10-18
Dinner Dress Blue Jacket (Men)



Section G. Men's Uniforms

Introduction	This section describes the uniforms that are authorized to be worn by Auxiliary men.
G.1. Dinner Dress Blue Jacket Uniform	This Dinner Dress Blue Jacket uniform may be prescribed for formal evening occasions. (see Figure 10-18)
G.1.a. Coat	The coat is the standard Coast Guard (Navy) Blue Mess jacket. The three gold buttons down each forepart are replaced with three large silver Auxiliary buttons. A silver cord or chain, attached to the two black buttons sewed on the inside or button holes on each forepart, is used to close the jacket.
G.1.b. Trousers	Trousers shall be of the same color and material as the jacket, high-waisted, of plain design with no cuffs, without back pockets. Suspenders are optional.
G.1.c. Shirt	The shirt is a plain white shirt with a conventional (no wing tips) collar or, an optional pleated soft front dress shirt with a turndown collar and worn with plain silver cuff links and silver shirt studs.
G.1.d. Cummerbund	A pleated silver cummerbund, 5 inches high, made from silver acetate satin, is worn with the pleat openings facing upward.
G.1.e. Tie	A black bow tie of plain style, with square ends, not to exceed 2¼ inches in vertical width, is worn. It may be hand tied or clip-on.
G.1.f. Socks	Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.
G.1.g. Shoes	Shoes shall be black, with heels, made of smooth leather or synthetic material. Shoes shall be low cut, of plain style, without decorations. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels, and laces must be black.
G.1.h. Breast Insignia/Device	Miniature medals and miniature insignia are worn uniforms. The AUXOP device, past officer device, and large National Staff badge are also worn (if authorized). Ribbons and name tags are not worn.
G.1.i. Hat	The combination hat is worn with this uniform.
G.1.j. Accessories	The trench coat and overcoat may be worn with this uniform.



G.2. Dinner Dress White Jacket Uniform

The Dinner Dress White Jacket uniform may be prescribed for formal evening occasions.

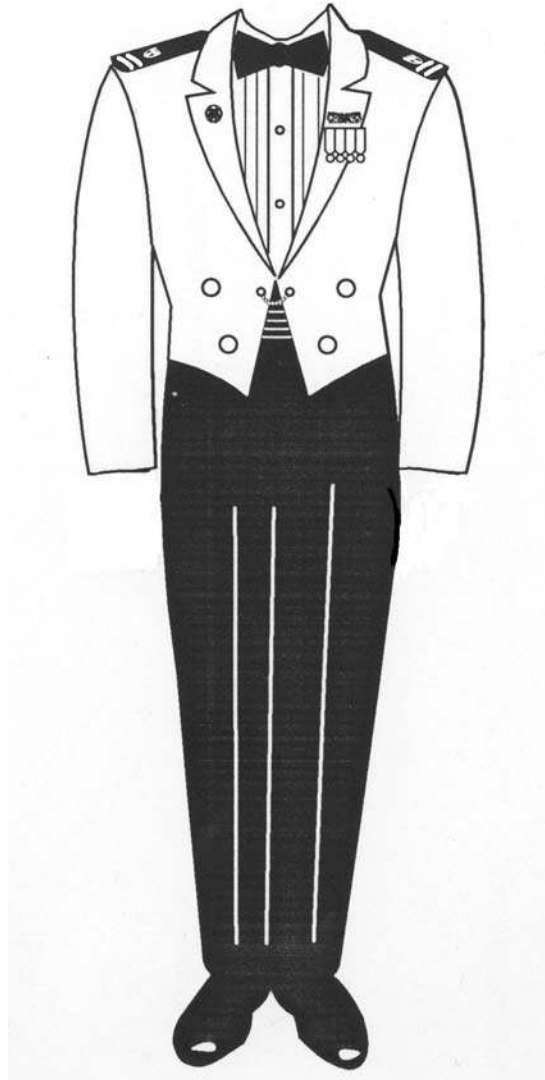
This uniform is the same as the Dinner Dress Blue jacket uniform, except for the following items.

G.2.a. Coat

The coat is the standard Coast Guard (Navy) White Mess jacket. The two gold buttons down each forepart are replaced with two large silver Auxiliary buttons. A silver chain, with a medium size Auxiliary silver button attached on each end, using the button holes on each forepart, is used to close the jacket. (see **Figure 10-19**)

G.2.b. Insignia

Hard shoulder boards are worn on the jacket.



**Figure 10-19
Dinner Dress White Jacket (Men)**



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G.3. Service Dress Blue (Bravo)	The Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform is the official Uniform of the Day appropriate for wear at all meetings, in classrooms, and at all other similar functions. (see Figure 10-20)
G.3.a. Service Dress Coast Guard Blue Blouse	The coat is the standard Coast Guard officer's blouse. The four gold Coast Guard buttons on the patch pockets closures, are replaced with four small silver Auxiliary buttons. The four gold Coast Guard buttons down the forepart are replaced with four large silver Auxiliary buttons. Air Force coats or blouses will not be worn with the Coast Guard Auxiliary uniform.
G.3.b. Trousers	The trousers shall be of conventional plain design with no cuff and of the same material and color as the coat. Air Force trousers will not be worn with the Coast Guard Auxiliary uniform.
G.3.c. Belt	A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.
G.3.d. Shirt	The shirt is the Air Force style shirt with a soft stand-up collar with stays, long or short sleeves, one button convertible cuff, epaulets and a patch pocket with button flap closure on each breast.
G.3.e. Tie	A Coast Guard Blue four-in-hand tie of suitable length is worn. Clip-on types are optional.
G.3.f. Socks	Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.
G.3.g. Shoes	Shoes shall be black, with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic material. Shoes shall be low cut of plain style without decoration. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels, and laces must be black.
G.3.h. Insignia	Appropriate silver sleeve lace mounted by the appropriate Auxiliary shield is worn on the coat sleeves and soft or enhanced shoulder boards are worn on the shirt.
G.3.i. Breast Insignia/Devices	This uniform is worn with ribbons, breast insignia, qualification devices, and name tag.
G.3.j. Hat	The Coast Guard blue garrison, combination, or Air Force cold weather cap is worn with this uniform.
G.4. Accessories	The reefer coat, overcoat, and trench coat may be worn with all uniforms above. A wooly-pully or cardigan may be worn instead of the Service Dress Blue blouse in an office or classroom.

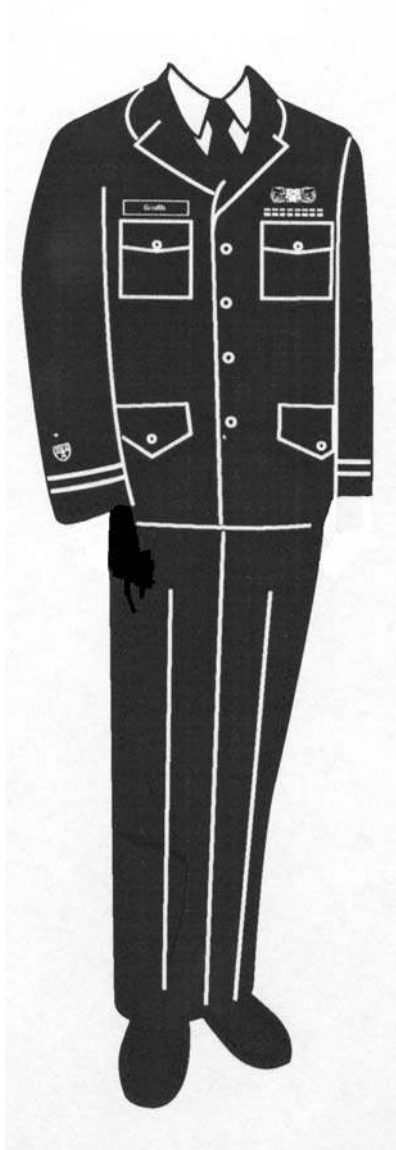


Figure 10-20
Service Dress Blue (Bravo) (Men)



G.5. Service Dress Blue (Alpha)

The Service Dress Blue (Alpha) uniform is appropriate for solemn occasions such as funerals and, when prescribed, for ceremonies and after 1800 at social activities. It is the same as the Service Dress Blue (Bravo), except for the following items. (see **Figure 10-21**)

G.5.a. Shirt

The shirt shall be white, of conventional design with a fused collar, one breast patch pocket on the left front, long sleeves with a one button cuff, and shall button down the front using six small plain white buttons. No insignia or devices are worn on the shirt.

G.5.b. Hat

Only the combination cap is appropriate for wear with this uniform.



Figure 10-21
Service Dress Blue (Alpha) (Men)



G.6. Dinner Dress Blue

The Dinner Dress Blue uniform is worn for formal evening occasions when the Auxiliarist does not have Dinner Dress Blue or White jacket. It is the same as the Service Dress Blue (Alpha), except miniature medals, miniature breast devices, and a plain black bow tie are worn instead of ribbons, name tag, and the four-in-hand necktie. The AUXOP and past officer devices, for which there are no miniatures, are also worn. (see **Figure 10-22**)



Figure 10-22
Dinner Dress Blue (Men)



G.7. Service Dress White

The Service Dress White uniform may be prescribed for ceremonies and official functions. (see **Figure 10-23**)

G.7.a. Coat

The coat is the standard Coast Guard (Navy) officer Service Dress White coat with a stand-up collar. The coat may be worn with a white, unmarked undershirt only. The two gold Coast Guard buttons on the pocket flaps are replaced with two small silver Auxiliary buttons. The five gold Coast Guard buttons down the front are replaced with five large silver Auxiliary buttons.

G.7.b. Trousers

The trousers shall be of conventional plain design with no cuffs and of the same material and color as the coat.

G.7.c. Belt

A white web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.

G.7.d. Socks

Socks shall be white, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.

G.7.e. Shoes

Shoes shall be white, with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic substitute. They shall be plain, low cut or plain style without decoration. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels and laces must be white.

G.7.f. Insignia

Hard shoulder boards are worn.

G.7.g. Breast Insignia/Devices

Name tag, ribbons, and qualification devices are worn.

G.7.h. Hat

The combination cap is worn with this uniform.

G.7.i. Accessories

The overcoat or trench coat may be worn.

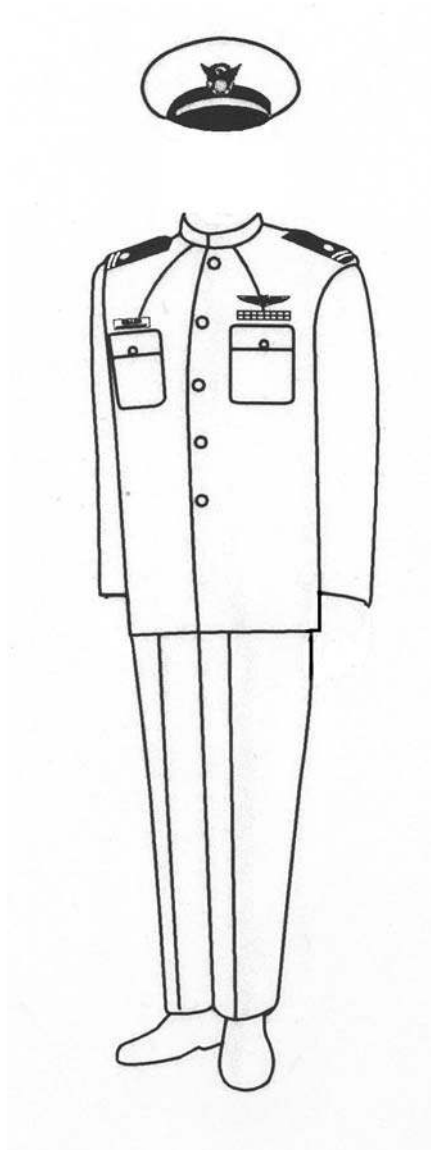


Figure 10-23
Service Dress White (Men)



G.8. Winter Dress Blue

This winter uniform may be worn instead of the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform, except when a coat and tie are more appropriate. (see **Figure 10-24**)

G.8.a. Trousers

Trousers shall be the same as those prescribed for the Service Dress Blue uniform.

G.8.b. Belt

A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display an approved Auxiliary emblem.

G.8.c. Shirt

A long sleeve, Coast Guard blue winter shirt that matches the color and material of the trousers is worn.

G.8.d. Tie

A Coast Guard blue four-in-hand tie of suitable length is worn. Clip-on types are optional.

G.8.e. Socks

Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.

G.8.f. Shoes

Shoes shall be black, with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic material. Shoes shall be low cut of plain style without decoration. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels, and laces must be black.

G.8.g. Insignia

Metal collar devices are worn.

G.8.h. Breast Insignia/Devices

Name tag, ribbons and qualification devices are worn.

G.8.i. Hat

The garrison, combination, or Air Force cold weather cap is worn with this uniform

G.8.j. Accessories

The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, windbreaker, trench coat, and woolly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards, may be worn with the uniform. This uniform is approved for year-round wear.



Figure 10-24
Winter Dress Blue (Men)



G.9. Tropical Blue (Long)

This uniform may be worn instead of the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform, except when a coat and tie are more appropriate. (see **Figure 10-25**)

G.9.a. Trousers

Trousers shall be the same as those prescribed for Service Dress Blue uniform.

G.9.b. Belt

A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.

G.9.c. Shirt

The light blue Air Force style short sleeve shirt with a stand-up collar with stays and epaulets is worn. With this shirt, the collar is worn open, without a tie.

G.9.d. Socks

Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.

G.9.e. Shoes

Shoes shall be black, with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic material. Shoes shall be low cut of plain style without decoration. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels and laces must be black.

G.9.f. Insignia

Enhanced shoulder boards are worn on the epaulet style shirt.

G.9.g. Breast Insignia/Devices

Name tag, ribbons, and qualification devices are worn.

G.9.h. Hat

The garrison or combination cap is worn with this uniform.

G.9.i. Accessories

The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, windbreaker, trench coat, and woolly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced shoulder boards, may be worn with the uniform.



Figure 10-25
Tropical Blue Long (Men)



G.10. Undress Blue – Winter	This winter uniform is worn for more formal situations and is appropriate in classrooms, unit meetings and boating safety booths. (see Figure 10-26)
G.10.a. Trousers	Trousers shall be the same as those prescribed for Service Dress Blue uniform.
G.10.b. Belt	A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip. The buckle may be plain or display an approved Auxiliary emblem.
G.10.c. Shirt	The shirt is the light blue Air Force epaulet style shirt with a soft stand-up collar with stays, long or short sleeves, one-button convertible cuff, epaulets, and a patch pocket with button flap closure on each breast.
G.10.d. Tie	A Coast Guard Blue four-in-hand tie of suitable length is worn. Clip-on types are optional.
G.10.e. Socks	Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.
G.10.f. Shoes	Shoes shall be black, with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic material. Shoes shall be low cut of plain style without decoration. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels, and laces must be black.
G.10.g. Insignia	Metal collar devices are worn. Enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards are not worn.
G.10.h. Breast Insignia/Devices	Name tag and qualification devices are worn. Ribbons are not worn.
G.10.i. Hat	The garrison, combination or Air Force cold weather cap is worn with this uniform.
G.10.j. Accessories	The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, trench coat, windbreaker, work jacket, and wooly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced shoulder boards, may be worn with the uniform.

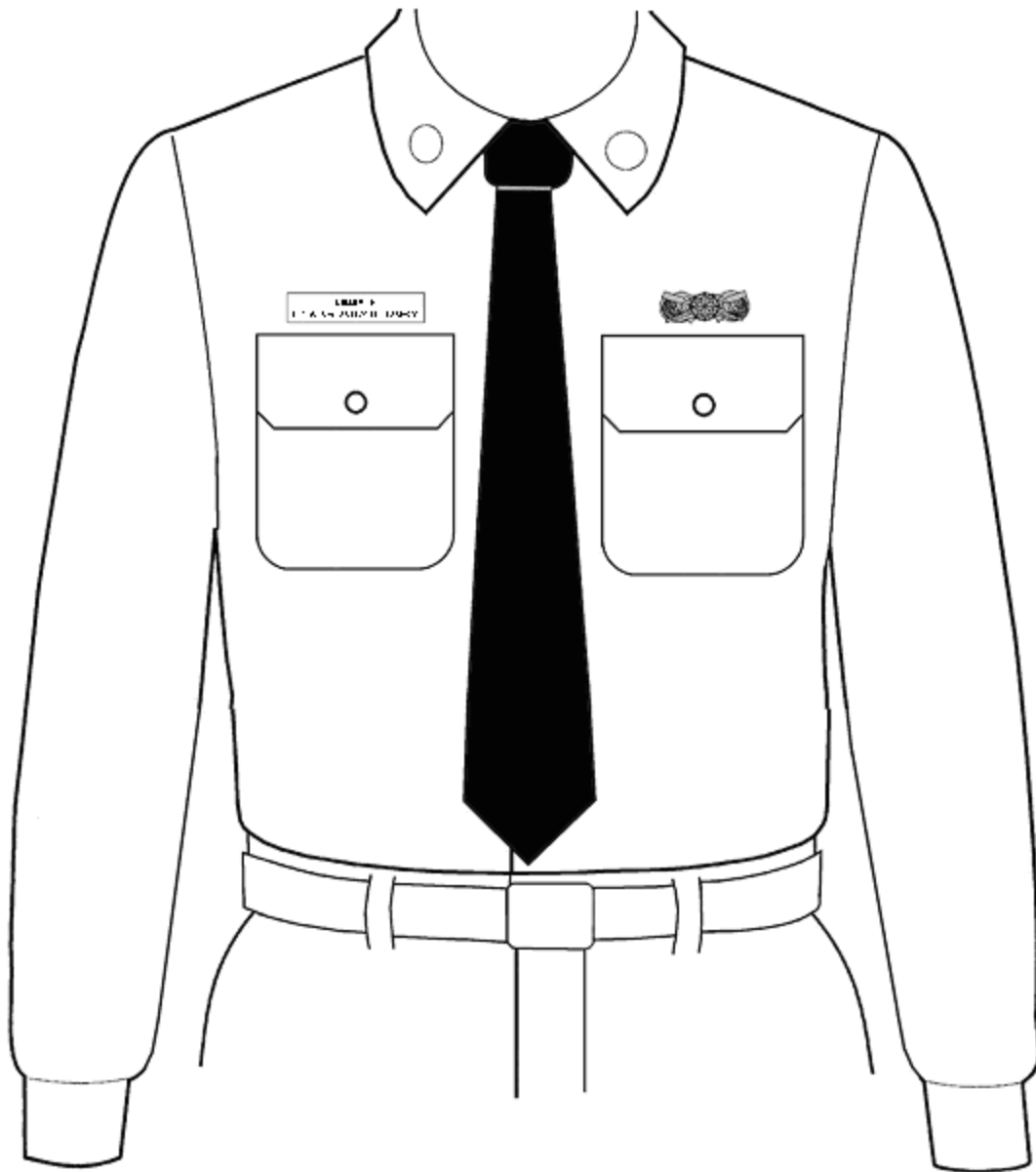


Figure 10-26
Undress Blue – Winter (Men)



G.11. Undress Blue – Summer (Alpha)

This summer uniform is worn for dressy situations. It is appropriate for wear in classrooms, at unit meetings, and at Boating Safety Booths. (see **Figure 10-27**)

G.11.b. Trousers

Trousers shall be the same as those prescribed for Service Dress Blue uniform.

G.11.c. Belt

A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip. The buckle may be plain or display an approved Auxiliary emblem.

G.11.a. Shirt

The light blue Air Force style short sleeve shirt with a stand-up collar with stays and epaulets is worn. With this shirt, the collar is worn open, without a tie.

G.11.d. Socks

Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.

G.11.e. Shoes

Shoes shall be black, with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic material. Shoes shall be low cut of plain style without decoration. There shall be no stitching or seams across the toe. Heels shall be no higher than 1 inch. Sole edges, heels, and laces must be black.

G.11.f. Insignia

Metal collar devices are worn. Enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards are not worn.

G.11.g. Breast Insignia/Devices

Name tag and qualification devices are worn. Ribbons are not worn.

G.11.h. Hat

The garrison, combination or Air Force cold weather cap is worn with this uniform.

G.11.i. Accessories

The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, trench coat, windbreaker, work jacket, and wooly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced shoulder boards, may be worn with the uniform.

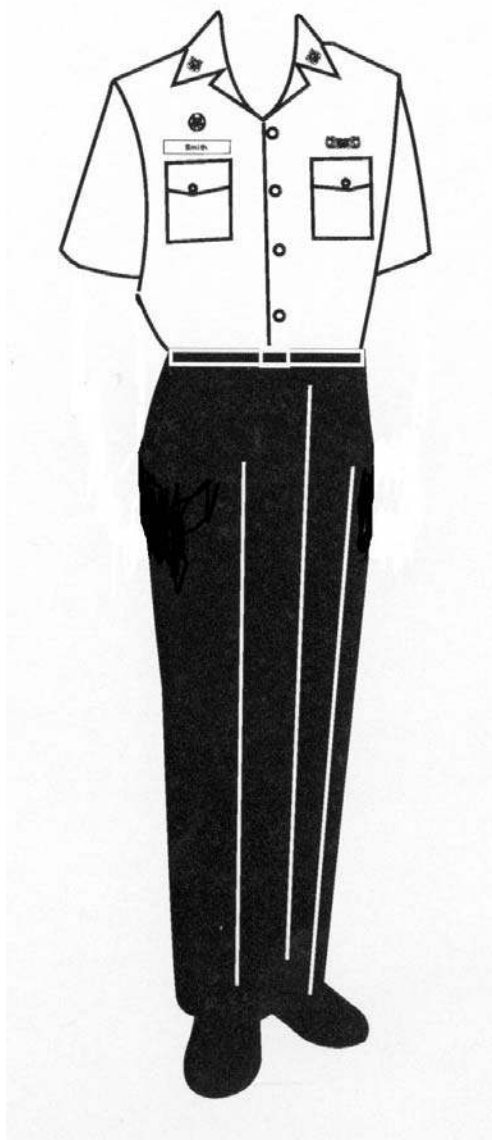


Figure 10-27
Undress Blue – Summer (Alpha) (Men)



Figure 10-28
Undress Blue – Summer (Bravo) (Men and Women)



Section H. Men's and Women's Uniforms

Introduction	This section describes the uniforms that are authorized to be worn by both men and women Auxiliarists.
H.1. Undress Blue – Summer (Bravo)	This summer uniform is worn for working situations and is appropriate for operations and conducting VSCs. (see Figure 10-28)
H.1.a. Trousers	The trousers shall be the Coast Guard work trousers and are made of cotton/polyester, wash and wear material.
H.1.b. Shorts	See Men's and Women's hot weather outfit.
H.1.c. Belt	A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.
H.1.d. Shirt	The light blue Air Force style short sleeve shirt with a stand-up collar with stays and with or without epaulets is worn. The shirt is worn open, without a tie.
H.1.e. Socks	Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.
H.1.f. Shoes	Blue, white or brown boating shoes or all black, low top, athletic shoes are worn with this uniform.
H.1.g. Insignia	Metal collar devices are worn. Enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards are not worn on the Coast Guard epaulet style shirt.
H.1.h. Breast Insignia/Devices	Name tag and qualification devices are worn. Ribbons are not worn.
H.1.i. Hat	A unit baseball cap with member collar device, blue working utility cap with miniature cap device or Auxiliary sun hat may be worn with this uniform.
H.1.j. Accessories	The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, windbreaker, work jacket, trench coat, and wooly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards, may be worn with the uniform. Women only, may carry a black or white handbag when appropriate.



H.2. Working Blue	This Working Blue uniform and ODU is appropriate for operations and in conducting VSCs. (see Figure 10-29)
H.2.a. Trousers	The trousers shall be the Coast Guard work trousers and are made of cotton/polyester, wash and wear material.
H.2.b. Shorts	See Men’s and Women’s Hot Weather uniform.
H.2.c. Belt	A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.
H.2.d. Shirt	The shirt shall be the Coast Guard work shirt and is made of Coast Guard dark blue basket weave polyester and cotton material with an open-notched lapel collar forming a V-neck. The shirt has both long and short sleeve versions. It has two patch pockets with button flap closure (women’s shirt).
H.2.e. Socks	Socks shall be black, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material.
H.2.f. Shoes	Blue, white or brown boating shoes or all black, low top athletic shoes are worn with this uniform.
H.2.g. Insignia	Metal collar or sew-on devices are worn.
H.2.h. Breast Insignia/Devices	Name tags and qualification devices are worn. Ribbons are not worn. Embroidered letters directly on the uniform or sew-on cloth “NAME” and “USCG AUXILIARY” tapes may be used.
H.2.i. Hat	A unit baseball cap with metal collar or sew-on devices or a blue working utility cap with miniature cap device, or the Auxiliary sun hat is worn with this uniform.
H.2.j. Accessories	The all weather parka, windbreaker, work jacket, trench coat, and wooly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced shoulder boards, may be worn with this uniform.



Figure 10-29
Working Blue and ODU (Men and Women)



H.3. Hot Weather Outfit

The Hot Weather Outfit is appropriate in locations where humidity and high temperatures cause physical discomfort for personnel performing outdoor activities. This outfit is similar to the standard work uniforms described earlier in this chapter, except the standard Working Blue (ODU) utility trousers or ODU trousers are modified into shorts hemmed 1-4 inches above the knee. Local prescribing authorities may authorize use of the Coast Guard blue crew neck T-shirt stenciled with the words “**USCG AUXILIARY**” across the front left chest in white ¾ inch tall block-style letters. When T-shirts are authorized, then all must be stenciled identically to promote unit identity and professional appearance. This uniform is considered an optional work uniform and falls under the same guidelines as the Working Blue or OD uniform for traveling to and from work.

H.3.a. Shirt One of two shirts may be worn, either the standard Coast Guard light blue (Air Force) shirt or the standard Coast Guard dark blue short sleeve shirt. Shirts must be worn tucked into the shorts. The optional VE shirt may be worn when conducting vessel safety checks.

H.3.b. Shorts Modified standard Coast Guard blue utility trousers hemmed 3-6 inches above the knee are worn.

H.3.c. Belt A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.

H.3.d. Socks Socks shall be all white, athletic type, crew length.

H.3.e. Shoes Shoes may be dark brown boat/deck shoes with nonskid/nonmarking soles or all white or all black, low top, athletic shoes with nonskid/nonmarking soles.

H.3.f. Insignia Metal collar or sew-on devices are worn with this outfit.

H.3.g. Breast Devices This outfit is worn with breast insignia, qualification devices and name tags (unless the Auxiliarist is wearing a PFD). Ribbons are not worn. Sew-on nametape, “USCG Auxiliary” tape and coxswain insignia, if earned, are authorized on the Coast Guard dark blue shirt.

H.3.h. Hat The Auxiliary sun hat without insignia or a unit baseball cap with member pin-on or sew-on device or a blue working utility cap with the miniature garrison cap device centered above the visor.

H.3.i. Procurement of Items Instructions concerning the procurement of the items for this outfit are contained in the *Uniform Regulations*, COMDTINST 1020.6 (series).



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H.4. Operational Dress Uniform

The ODU may be worn in any situation where any form of dress uniform is not required or more appropriate and while commuting, including brief stops for gas and drive-through business. Though there is no weight standard in the Auxiliary, the ODU shall only be worn in Coast Guard standard sizes from Coast Guard standard stock from a Coast Guard exchange or the UDC. ODU substitution look-alikes are not authorized. Like other Coast Guard uniforms, the ODU must fit properly (see **Figure 10-30**). For more information on proper ODU wear and care, visit the Chief Director's web site. (see *Appendix J*)

H.4.a. Trousers

ODU trousers bloused with boots, straight with deck shoes are worn.

H.4.b. Belt

A black web belt with subdued black open-faced buckle is worn.

H.4.c. Shirt

Coast Guard blue ODU top with sleeves rolled up accordion style, with only the cuff showing or down.

H.4.d. Socks

Socks should be black, undecorated.

H.4.e. Shoes

Shoe/boot, high top black lace up or The optional boat shoe (dark brown leather) low cut shoe of moccasin type construction with functional rawhide lacing, brass eyelets, and nonmarking sole may be worn. Dress oxford (black, lace, plain toe) sole and heel must be same color as the shoe. Heel will be no higher than 1 inch.

H.4.f. Insignia

Metal or sew-on collar devices are worn.

H.4.g. Breast Insignia/Devices

Cloth nametape with "**USCG AUXILIARY**" is sewn above left pocket. Direct embroidery on shirt is not authorized.

H.4.h. Hat

A unit baseball cap with metal or sew-on collar devices or a working blue (ODU) utility cap with miniature cap device, or a knit watch cap (cold weather only) may be worn with this uniform.

H.4.i. Accessories

The all weather parka, windbreaker, work jacket, trench coat, and wooly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced shoulder boards, may be worn with this uniform.

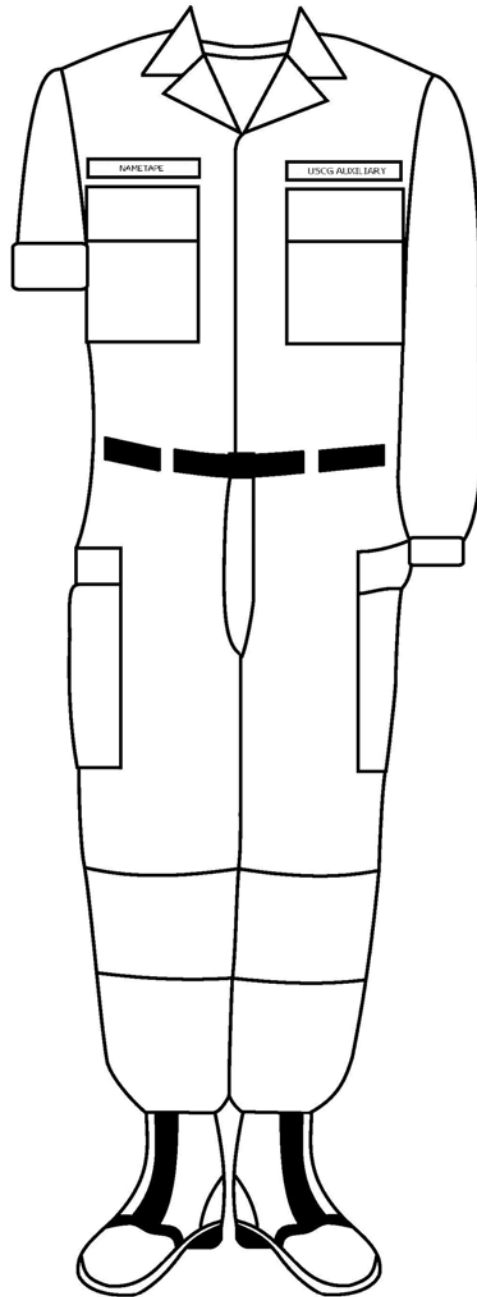


Figure 10-30
Operational Dress Uniform (Men and Women)



H.5. Auxiliary Flight Suit

The Auxiliary Flight Suit is authorized to be worn during flight on any aviation mission performed under orders, or during flight standby status (B), unless the Coast Guard order-issuing authority specifies another uniform. This Flight Suit shall be similar in pattern, color, and design to those worn by active duty Coast Guard aviators. The Flight Suit shall be manufactured of fire-retardant material similar to that specified for active duty Coast Guard aviators. Only patches, pins, insignia, and devices specified here are authorized. Flight suits shall remain zipped to within 3 inches of the top at all times.

H.5.a. Flight Uniform

The normal uniform for Auxiliary flight or flight standby (B status) shall consist of:

- Flight Suit with insignia (see **Figure 10-31**).
- Outerwear as specified by the Coast Guard order-issuing authority.
- Footwear and undershirt as specified by the Coast Guard order-issuing authority.
- Headgear, either Garrison Cap, baseball cap, or protective gear, as required.

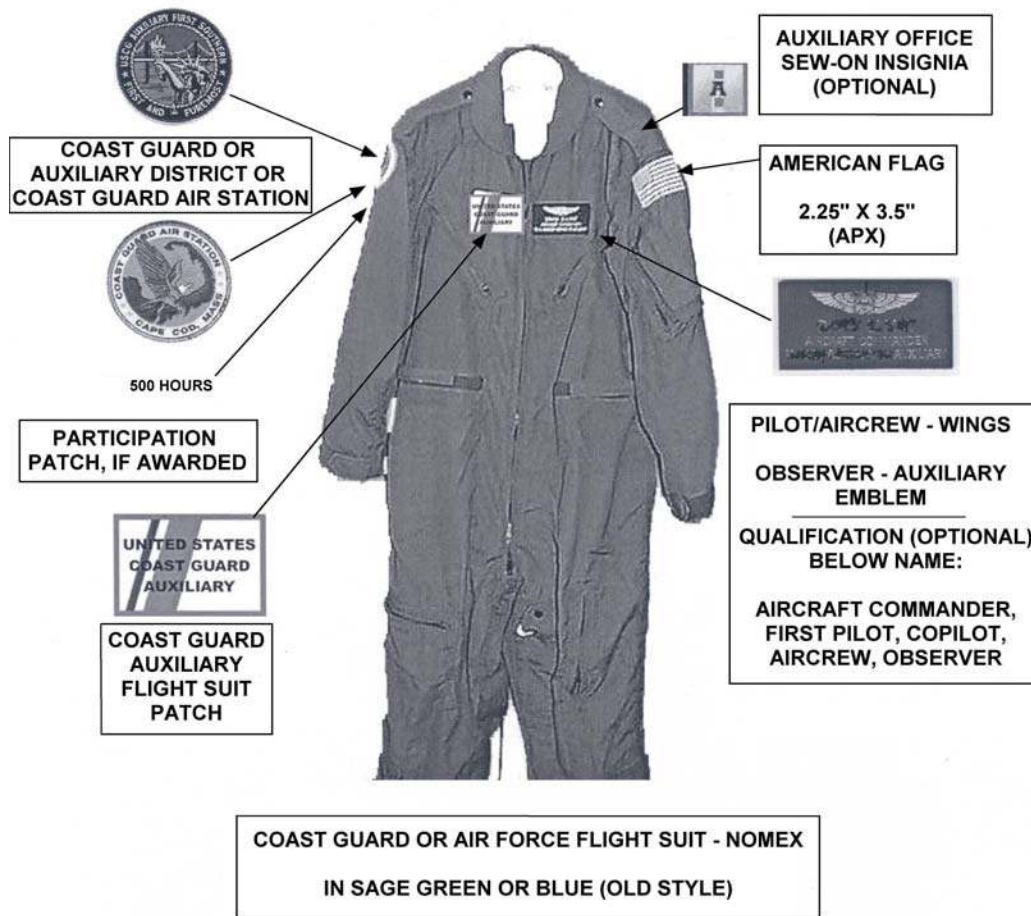


Figure 10-31
Auxiliary Flight Suit

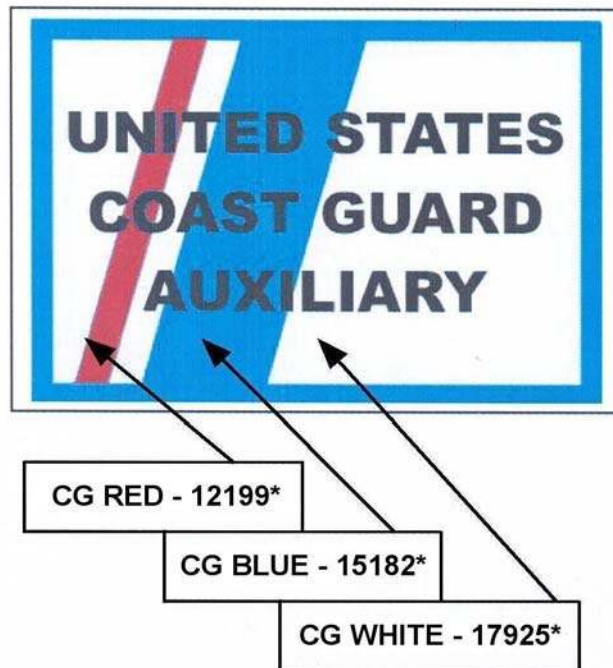


H.5.b. Patches

The following patches shall be worn on the Auxiliary Flight Suit as follows:

H.5.b.1. Right Breast

A cloth patch shall be displayed on the right breast of the Flight Suit as shown below in **Figure 10-32**. The patch colors shall be similar to those of the active duty aviation patch, with the color order of the patch reversed. Patch size shall be approximately 2¼ by 3³/₈ inches. Lettering on the patch shall be in all capital letters with three lines of lettering.



*COLOR NUMBERS ARE FOUND IN THE
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Figure 10-32
Auxiliary Flight Suit Right Breast Patch



H.5.b.2. Left Breast

A patch shall be displayed on the left breast of the Flight Suit as shown below in **Figure 10-33**. At the discretion of the Coast Guard order-issuing authority, this patch may be leather or cloth. The leather patch shall have silver lettering, embossed on black leather. The cloth patch shall have silver/white thread on a dark cloth background, blue or black, at the discretion of the Coast Guard order-issuing authority. Patch size shall be approximately 2 inches by 4 inches. Lettering on the patch shall be all capital letters.

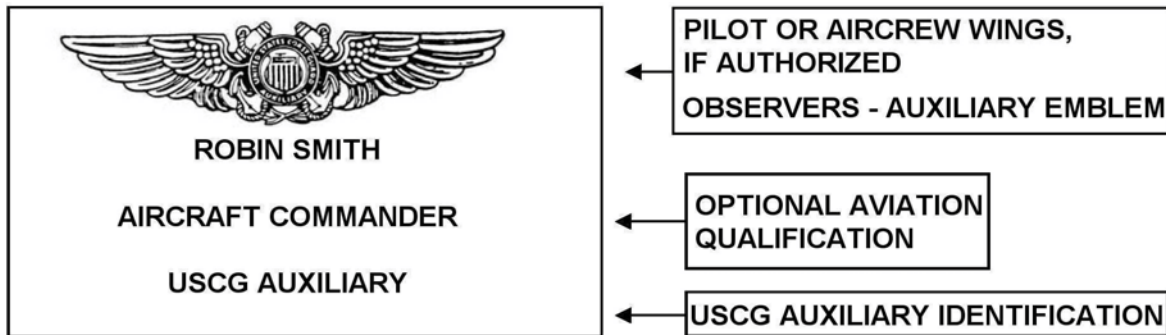


Figure 10-33
Auxiliary Flight Suit Left Breast Patch

H.5.b.3. Left Sleeve

A patch of the American National Ensign shall be worn centered on the left sleeve, positioned with the top of the patch $\frac{3}{4}$ inch below the shoulder seam. The flag shall be positioned with the field forward. This patch shall be approximately $2\frac{1}{4}$ by $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in size.

H.5.b.4. Right Sleeve

An insignia patch of the Auxiliarist's Coast Guard or Auxiliary district, or the relevant Coast Guard Air Station shall be worn centered on the right sleeve, positioned with the top of the patch $\frac{3}{4}$ inch below the shoulder seam. Choice of the insignia shall be made by the Coast Guard order-issuing authority.

H.5.c. Auxiliary Office Insignia

Aviators may wear the insignia of their highest current or past Auxiliary office on the shoulders/epaulets of the Flight Suit. The insignia must be a sew-on type, on a background matching the color of the Flight Suit. The outside edge of the office insignia shall be placed $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in from the shoulder seam or outside end of the epaulet (if present).



H.5.d. Auxiliary
Operational
Mission
Participation
Designator

At the discretion of the Coast Guard order-issuing authority, Auxiliarists may wear a sleeve patch indicating recognition of Operational Mission Participation. This patch is illustrated in **Figure 10-34** and shall indicate the level of participation by depicting the number of mission flight hours so recognized by the Coast Guard order-issuing authority. It shall be worn $\frac{1}{4}$ inch below the District or Air Station Patch on the right sleeve. This patch shall be approximately $\frac{3}{8}$ by 2 inches in size. This patch shall have a silver border and silver lettering on a black background. Lettering shall be all capitalized. This patch shall be awarded at 100 hours, 250 hours, and every 250 hours thereafter.

500 HOURS

Figure 10-34
Auxiliary Operational Mission Participation Patch

H.5.e. Flight Suit
Care

It is recommended that a new coverall be laundered prior to use in order to soften the fabric and eliminate any possible skin irritation that might occur due to original fabric harshness. The fabric is drip-dry requiring no special handling and may be washed as frequently as needed. The coverall may be laundered at home or in a commercial washer and dryer.

H.5.f. Flight Suit
Cleaning

For comfort and the protection of flame-retardant properties, the following recommendations for cleaning are as follows:

- Wash the Flight Suit in water up to 140 °F. To reduce “piling” of fabric, the coveralls should be laundered inside out.
- Use of a commercial fabric softener in the rinse will remove body oils during the laundering process. The fabric softener also inhibits static generation.
- After tumble-drying or during drip-drying, the coverall should be hung on a wooden hanger.
- After each third laundering, the coveralls should be dry cleaned. Dry cleaning or laundering will not compromise the flame-retardant properties, and no renewable flame-retardant treatment is required. Coveralls, which are heavily soiled and/or stained with oil or grease, may be cleaned with solvents normally used in commercial dry cleaning establishments.
- Ironing or pressing is permissible; however, it is difficult to remove wrinkles or creases due to the high temperature-resistant qualities of the material.





Section I. Women's Uniforms

Introduction	This section describes the uniforms that are authorized to be worn by Auxiliary women.
I.1. Dinner Dress Blue Jacket	The Dinner Dress Blue Jacket uniform may be prescribed for formal evening occasions. (see Figure 10-35)
I.1.a. Coat	The coat is the standard Coast Guard (Navy) Blue Mess jacket. The three gold Coast Guard buttons down each forepart are replaced with three medium size silver Auxiliary buttons.
I.1.b. Skirt	Two skirts are available for wear with this uniform. One is a plain, six-gored, floor length skirt. It may have an optional slit at both side seams reaching no higher than midcalf. The other skirt is of conventional length. Both shall be of the same color and material as the jacket.
I.1.c. Shirt	The shirt shall be of white opaque nylon or similar material with small pleated ruffles down the front, plain turndown collar, and pearl buttons.
I.1.d. Cummerbund	A pleated cummerbund, 3½ inches wide, made of silver acetate satin, is worn with the pleat openings facing upward.
I.1.e. Tie	The black dress necktie consists of a small crescent-shape black velvet ribbon tapering toward each end from a width of 1 inch at the center.
I.1.f. Stockings	Stockings shall be made of plain material, flesh color, undecorated. Stockings will be seamless.
I.1.g. Shoes	Shoes shall be black, plain pump style, made of smooth leather or a synthetic leather substitute without decoration and with closed heels and toes. Heel heights may range from 1 to 2⅝ inches. Heel widths may be no less than ½ inch at the floor. Flat wedge style soles that rise to 1-inch heels are authorized. Sole edges and heels must be black.
I.1.h. Insignia	Full silver sleeve lace is worn on the coat sleeves mounted by the appropriate Auxiliary shield.
I.1.i. Breast Insignia/Devices	Miniature medals and miniature insignia are worn on both uniforms. The AUXOP and past officer devices, for which there are no miniatures, are also worn if authorized. Ribbons and name tags are not worn.
I.1.j. Hat	Women are not required to wear hats. An optional tiara is available for wear. The tiara consists of a small crescent shaped head piece that fits over the crown of the head. The tiara shall be made of black velvet and embroidered in the center with the Auxiliary cap device. DCPs, and higher, shall have the appropriated visor ornamentation embroidered on either side of the device.



I.1.k. Accessories

The trench coat and overcoat may be worn with these uniforms. A black or white handbag should be included where appropriate.



Figure 10-35
Dinner Dress Blue Jacket (Women)



I.2. Dinner Dress White Jacket This uniform may be prescribed for formal evening occasions. This uniform is the same as the Dinner Dress Blue jacket uniform, except for the below items. (see **Figure 10-36**)

I.2.a. Coat The coat is the standard Coast Guard (Navy) White Mess jacket. The three gold Coast Guard buttons down each forepart are replaced with three medium size silver Auxiliary buttons of the same size.

I.2.b. Insignia Hard shoulder boards are worn on the jacket.



Figure 10-36
Dinner Dress White Jacket (Women)



I.3. Service Dress Blue (Bravo)

This uniform is the official Uniform of the Day and is appropriate for wear at all meetings, in classrooms, and all other such functions. (see **Figure 10-37**)

I.3.a. Coat

The coat is the standard Coast Guard officer's coat. The gold Coast Guard buttons are replaced with silver Auxiliary buttons.

I.3.b. Skirt/Slacks

The skirt is straight, with side pockets and a back zipper. Women may also wear dress slacks similar in outward appearance to the men's trousers with a conventional plain design and no cuffs. Air Force slacks will not be worn with the Auxiliary uniform. For both the slacks and skirt, the color and material will be the same as the coat.

I.3.c. Belt

The web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn with the slacks. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem. The belt is not worn with the skirt.

I.3.d. Shirt

The shirt with a stand-up collar, long or short sleeves, two-button cuff closures, epaulets, pockets, and button placket.

I.3.e. Tie

The Coast Guard blue tab tie is worn.

I.3.f. Stockings

Stockings are worn with dress shoes and shall be made of plain material, flesh-color, undecorated. Stockings will be seamless. When wearing trousers, black socks, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material may be worn when wearing service shoes.

I.3.g. Shoes

Dress shoes shall be black, plain pump style, made of smooth leather or a synthetic leather substitute without decoration and with closed heels and toes. Heel heights may range from 1 to 2 $\frac{5}{8}$ inches. Heel widths may be no less than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch at the floor. Flat wedge style soles that rise to 1-inch heels are authorized. Sole edges and heels must be black. Optional service shoes, for wear with trousers, are black, plain, lace up, oxford style with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic leather substitute. Shoes shall have three to six pairs of eyelets for lacing. A seam around the toe is authorized. Heel height may not exceed 1 inch. Sole edges, heels, and laces must be black.

I.3.h. Insignia

Full silver sleeve lace is worn on the coat sleeves mounted by the appropriate Auxiliary shield and soft or enhanced shoulder boards are worn on the shirt.

I.3.i. Breast Insignia/Devices

This uniform is worn with ribbons, breast insignia, qualification devices, and name tags.

I.3.j. Hat

The Coast Guard blue garrison, combination, or Air Force cold weather cap is worn with this uniform.

I.3.k. Accessories

The reefer coat, overcoat, and trench coat may be worn with the uniform. A sweater (wooly-pulley/cardigan) may be worn in lieu of the coat in office or classrooms. A black or white handbag should be included where appropriate.



Figure 10-37
Service Dress Blue (Bravo) (Women)



I.4. Service Dress Blue (Alpha)

Though this uniform is discontinued as a Coast Guard uniform, it remains an authorized uniform for the Auxiliary. This uniform is appropriate for solemn occasions like funerals and, when prescribed, for ceremonies and after 1800 at social activities. It is the same as the Service Dress Blue (Bravo), except for the below items. (see **Figure 10-38**)

I.4.a. Shirt

The shirt shall be white, with a turndown pointed collar and short or long sleeves. It shall button down the front, using small plain white buttons. No insignia or devices are worn on the white shirt.

I.4.b. Tie

The black tab tie shall be worn.



Figure 10-38
Service Dress Blue (Alpha) (Women)



I.5. Dinner Dress Blue

This uniform is worn for formal evening occasions. It is the same as the Service Dress Blue (Alpha), except that miniature medals and breast devices are worn instead of ribbons and name tag. The AUXOP and past officer devices, for which there are no miniatures, are also worn when authorized. Only the combination cap is appropriate for wear with this uniform. (see **Figure 10-39**)



Figure 10-39
Dinner Dress Blue (Women)



I.6. Service Dress White	The Service Dress White uniform may be prescribed for ceremonies and official functions. (see Figure 10-40)
I.6.a. Coat	The coat is the standard Coast Guard (Navy) Service Dress White coat. The four gold Coast Guard buttons down the front shall be replaced with four medium size silver Auxiliary buttons.
I.6.b. Skirt	The skirt is a plain six-gored skirt of conventional sweep with two insert pockets in the upper part of the front. Women may wear trousers similar in outward appearance to men's trousers. For both, the color and material shall be the same as the coat.
I.6.c. Shirt	The shirt shall be white, with a turndown pointed collar and short or long sleeves. It shall button down the front, using small plain white buttons.
I.6.d. Tie	The black tab tie is worn.
I.6.e. Stockings	Stockings are worn with dress shoes and shall be made of plain material, flesh-color, undecorated. Stockings will be seamless. When wearing trousers, white socks, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material may be worn when wearing service shoes.
I.6.f. Shoes	Dress shoes, shall be white, plain pump style, made of smooth leather or a synthetic leather substitute without decoration and with closed heels and toes. Heel heights may range from 1 to 2 ⁵ / ₈ inches. Heel widths may be no less than 1/2 inch at the floor. Flat wedge style soles (white) that rise to 1-inch heels are authorized. Optional service shoes, for wear with trousers, shall be white, plain, lace up, oxford style with heels, made of smooth leather or a synthetic leather substitute. Shoes shall have three to six pairs of eyelets for lacing. A seam around the toe is authorized. Heel height may not exceed 1 inch. Sole edges, heels and laces must be white.
I.6.g. Insignia	Hard shoulder boards are worn with this uniform.
I.6.h. Breast Insignia/Devices	Name tag, ribbons, and qualification devices are worn.
I.6.i. Hat	The combination cap is worn with this uniform.
I.6.j. Accessories	The overcoat and trench coat may be worn with this uniform. A black or white handbag should be included where appropriate.



Figure 10-40
Service Dress White (Women)



I.7. Winter Dress Blue	This winter uniform may be worn instead of the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform, except when a coat and tie are more appropriate. This option is only authorized from 1 November through 30 April. (see Figure 10-41)
I.7.a. Trousers	Trousers shall be the same as prescribed for Service Dress Blue (Bravo). Women may wear a skirt (optional) that is the same as prescribed for the Service Dress Blue (Bravo).
I.7.b. Belt	A black web belt with a silver buckle and tip is worn. The buckle may be plain or display the Auxiliary emblem.
I.7.c. Shirt	A long sleeve, Coast Guard blue winter shirt is worn, that matches the color and material of the trousers.
I.7.d. Tie	A Coast Guard blue four-in-hand tie of suitable length is worn. Clip-on types are optional.
I.7.e. Stockings	Stockings are worn with dress shoes and shall be made of plain material, flesh-color, undecorated. Stockings will be seamless. When wearing trousers, black socks, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material may be worn when wearing service shoes.
I.7.f. Shoes	Dress shoes are the same as prescribed for the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform. For wear with trousers, optional service shoes are the same as prescribed for the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform.
I.7.g. Insignia	Metal Collar devices are worn.
I.7.h. Breast Insignia/Devices	Name tag, ribbons, and qualification devices are worn.
I.7.i. Hat	The garrison, combination, or Air Force cold weather cap is worn.
I.7.j. Accessories	The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, trench coat, wooly-pully, and cardigan with enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards may be worn with the uniform. A black or white handbag should be included where appropriate.



Figure 10-41
Winter Dress Blue (Women)



I.8. Tropical Blue Long

This uniform may be worn instead of the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform, except when a coat and tie are more appropriate. This uniform is approved for year round wear. (see **Figure 10-42**)

I.8.a. Skirt/Slacks/Belt

The skirt, optional slacks, and belt are the same as prescribed for the Service Dress Blue uniform.

I.8.b. Shirt

The light blue Coast Guard style shirt as a stand-up collar, short sleeves, epaulets, two front pockets, and button packet is worn. With this shirt, the collar is worn open with no tie.

I.8.c. Stockings

Stockings are worn with dress shoes and shall be made of plain material, flesh-color, undecorated. Stockings will be seamless. When wearing trousers, black socks, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material may be worn when wearing service shoes.

I.8.d. Shoes

Dress shoes and service shoes are the same as prescribed for Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform.

I.8.e. Insignia

Enhanced shoulder boards are worn on the shirt.

I.8.f. Breast Insignia/Devices

This uniform is worn with ribbons, breast insignia, qualification devices, and name tags.

I.8.g. Hat

The garrison or combination cap is worn with this uniform.

I.8.h. Accessories

The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, trench coat, wooly-pully, and cardigan with enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards may be worn with the uniform. A black or white handbag should be included where appropriate.

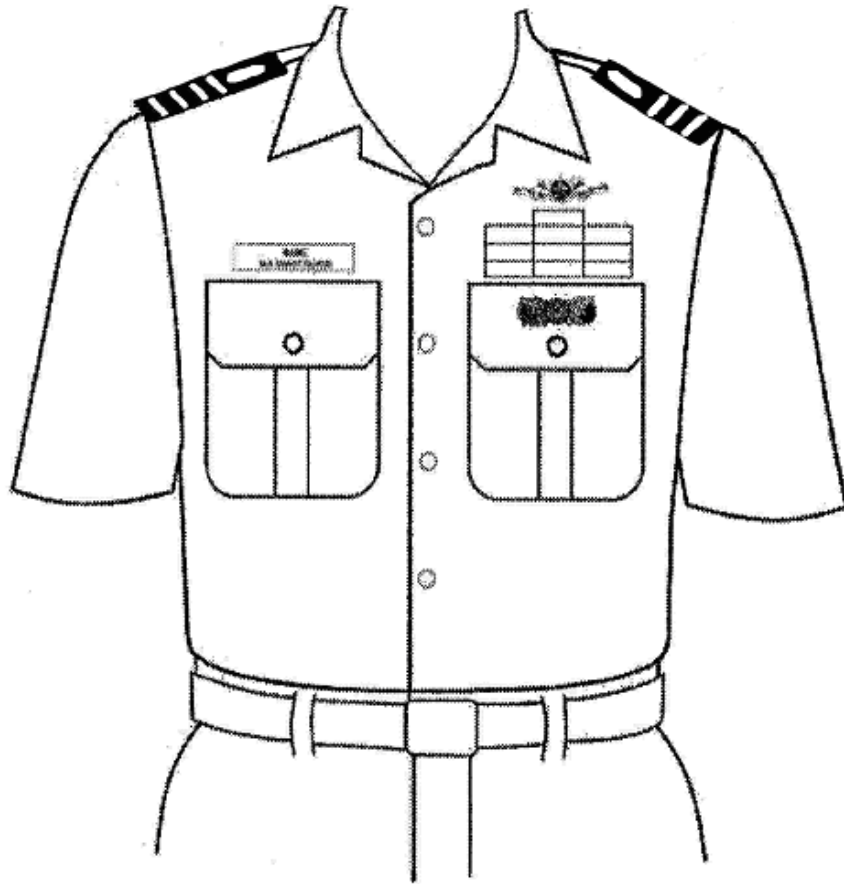


Figure 10-42
Tropical Blue Long (Women)



**I.9. Undress
Blue – Winter**

This winter uniform is worn for dressy situations and is appropriate for classrooms, unit meetings and boating safety booths. (see **Figure 10-43**)

I.9.a.
Skirt/Slacks/Belt

Skirt/Slacks/Belt - The skirt, optional slacks, and belt are the same as prescribed for the Service Dress Blue uniform.

I.9.b. Shirt

The shirt is the light blue shirt with a stand-up collar, long sleeves, two-button cuff closures, two front pockets, epaulets, and button packet. The men's shirt may also be worn. (see *paragraph G.10.c* of this chapter)

I.9.c. Tie

The Coast Guard blue tab tie is worn.

I.9.d. Stockings

Stockings are worn with dress shoes and shall be made of plain material, flesh-color, undecorated. Stockings will be seamless. When wearing trousers, black socks, made of knitted or rib knit, undecorated material may be worn with service shoes.

I.9.e. Shoes

Dress shoes and optional service shoes are the same as prescribed for the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) uniform.

I.9.f. Insignia

Metal collar devices are worn. Shoulder boards are not worn.

I.9.g. Breast
Insignia/Devices

This uniform is worn with breast insignia, qualification devices and name tags. Ribbons are not worn.

I.9.h. Hat

The garrison, Air Force cold weather, or combination cap is worn with this uniform.

I.9.i. Accessories

The reefer coat, all weather parka, overcoat, trench coat, windbreaker, work jacket, and wooly-pully or cardigan, with enhanced (or soft) shoulder boards, may be worn with the uniform. A black or white handbag should be included where appropriate.

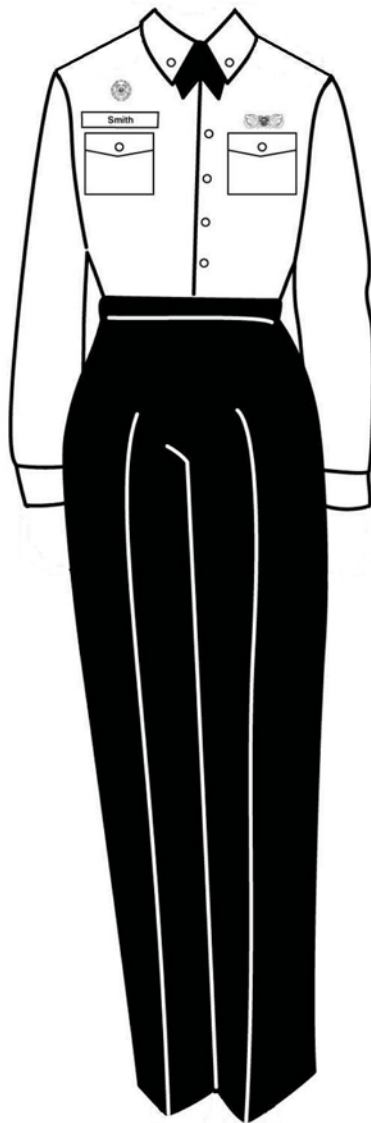


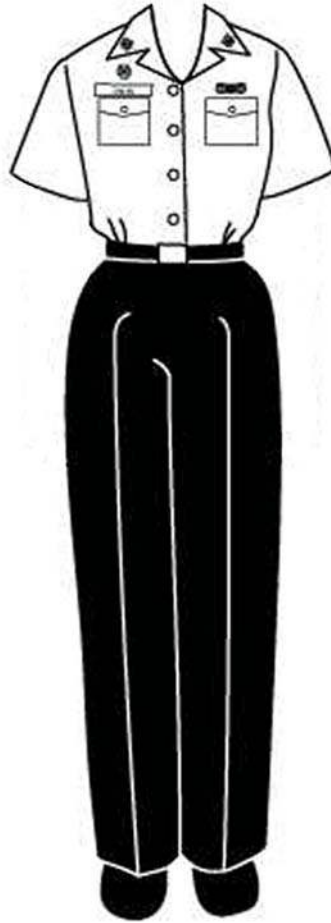
Figure 10-43
Undress Blue – Winter (Women)



**I.10. Undress
Blue – Summer
(Alpha)**

This summer uniform is worn for dressy situations. It is appropriate for wear in classrooms, at unit meetings and at Boating Safety Booths. It is the same as the Undress Blue - Winter, except for the shirt. (see **Figure 10-44**)

The shirt is light blue with a stand-up collar, short sleeves, epaulets, two front pockets, and button packet. The shirt is worn open, without a tie.



**Figure 10-44
Undress Blue – Summer (Alpha) (Women)**