

Chapter 8 – PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL APPEARANCE

8.1. General Appearance Standards. Cadets will comply with DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel* except for cadet specific items addressed in this chapter.

8.1.1. Cadets granted a shaving waiver or religious exemption will have the waiver/exemption, either physical or digital copy, on their person (in their possession) at all times.

8.1.2. Cell phones and other large or bulky items will not be kept in service dress, blues pants, or parade pants during any formation or protruding from pocket.

8.1.3. Cadet Rank is assigned based on leadership position. Wearing another rank is prohibited.

8.1.4. Cadets may not grow/wear mustaches and/or beards except while on break or with an approved religious accommodation request using the process outlined in DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel*.

8.1.5. Male cadets are not authorized to wear any objects on/in their ears, nose, eyebrows, lips, or tongue within the Cadet Area, including AD/DF facilities, while in uniform or in civilian attire.

8.1.6. **Tattoos/Brands/Body Markings.** (Unauthorized content/locations). Tattoos/brands/body markings will not be on the hands, head, neck (anything visible above the open collar uniform), face, tongue, lips, eyes, and scalp. Tattoos/brands/body markings anywhere on the body that is obscene, indecent, commonly associated with gangs, extremist, and/or supremacist organizations, or advocating sexual, racial, ethnic, or religious discrimination are prohibited in and out of uniform. Tattoos/brands/body markings with unauthorized content that are prejudicial to good order and discipline or the content of a nature that tends to bring discredit upon the Air Force are prohibited both in and out of uniform. Airmen may not cover up tattoos, brands, and/or body markings with bandages or make-up in order to comply with the unauthorized content tattoo policy. Failure by USAFA cadets to obey the mandatory provisions in this paragraph constitutes a violation of Article 92, UCMJ. Exception: ETPs may be signed by the Commandant of Cadets or Vice Commandant of Cadets during I-Day.

8.2 Uniform of the Day (UOD). Variations approved by the Commandant of Cadets, Vice Commandant of Cadets, or CW/DO.

8.2.1. **Uniform Wear.** UOD is mandatory when performing official military duties, conducting official military business, including class (including turning in assignments at instructors' offices), extra instruction, hospital appointments, laboratories, and evening lectures or as prescribed in the publication.

8.2.2. All changes to UOD will be coordinated with the CW/DO and will be reflected in the RO.

8.2.3. Except when signed out and departing Cadet Area, all cadets will be in authorized UOD from Release From Quarters (RFQ) until 1700 unless specifically authorized an alternate uniform on an AF469, which can be found at Aeromedical Services Information Management System (ASIMS).

8.2.4. Cadets participating in soaring and jump activities are permitted to wear OCPs as their UOD on days that they are scheduled to participate in those courses. **Flight suits will not be worn on the Terrazo.**

8.2.4.1. Cadets wearing OCPs during airmanship activities will wear assigned USAFA CS patches.

8.2.4.2. Cadets enrolled in Powered Flight Programs with the 557 FTS will bring and change into FDU at the airfield before participating in live flight events.

8.3 Civilian Clothes. Cadets may wear civilian clothes when signed out on a pass and

immediately departing the cadet area. IC “team gear” is civilian clothing. Cadets will transit to/from workouts/practice in the uniform of the day (UOD) or cadet physical training uniform (PTUs). Cadets may change into “team gear” or team uniforms for the purposes of practice only when in the gym locker room but must transit back to the cadet area in UOD or PTUs. 4-degrees are not allowed to wear civilian attire until after completion of Recognition and Promotion. Appropriate civilian attire is authorized for 1-degree, 2-degree, and 3-degree cadets from 2000 to RFQ during weekdays and 1700 on Fridays to TAPS on Sundays (or Monday if a holiday).

8.3.1. Appropriate civilian attire will be professional, functional and consistent with DAF and Cadet Standards and Duties Instruction (Reference DAFI 36-2903 paragraph 1.3.1.3.). Appropriate civilian clothing does NOT include the following: symbols or statements that are profane, lewd, offensive, or obscene; bare chest, tank tops, halter tops, crop tops, sleeveless shirts, cut-off pants/shorts, or clothing that exposes private areas of the body or undergarments.

8.4 **Bathrobes.** Cadets are authorized to procure and wear their own bathrobes for showering or when transiting to and from the restroom after Taps and before FMD. The bathrobe must be in the Cadet’s class color, solid in color, and free from prints or logos. It must extend below the knee and have long sleeves, and be made from cotton, terry cloth, fleece, or wool. Cadets may still wear the standard issued bathrobe if they prefer.

8.4.1. All cadets are prohibited from visiting other rooms or loitering in squadron areas while in a bathrobe. They must go directly to the restroom and back to their assigned dorm room.

8.5 **Pajamas.** Cadets may wear pajamas in their assigned room or when transiting to and from the restroom after Taps and before release from Quarters. Reference para 8.3.1 for appropriate pajamas.

8.6 **Inclement Weather.** Any changes to the UOD due to inclement weather (such as from blues to OCPs) will be determined by CW/DO and published in the RO.

8.7 **Summer Programs.** UOD for specific programs will be directed in the Summer Program OPORD and respective FRAGORDs, if any.

8.8 **Miscellaneous Policies.**

8.8.1. **Pockets.** Cadets will NOT have hands in their uniform pockets unless they are briefly placing an item in or taking an item out.

8.8.2. **Cell Phones.** Cadets will not utilize cell phones while walking in uniform. Cadets will ensure that they are not protruding from any pocket while in uniform.

8.8.3. **Alternate Uniform.** Must be approved by respective PP Sq/CC with a recommendation from the Cadet Clinic doctor using the Cadet Injury/Illness Report AF469. Written authorization must be available at all times.

8.8.4. **Donating Uniforms.** Do not donate, sell, or loan uniform items to civilians.

8.8.5. **Organizational Equipment Clothing.** Cadet Clubs requiring special clothing will coordinate requests through the Cadet Co-Curricular Activities Board (CCAB).

8.9 **Uniform When Traveling.**

8.9.1. **Official Business (Team Travel and TDY).** When representing USAFA, the travel mode and location determine the uniform. Coaches, OICs and officer representatives are responsible for ensuring travel attire represents USAFA and is worn by the entire group.

8.10 **Service Dress (Class A).** Cadet uniforms will comply with IAW DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel* with the exception of the following cadet-uniform specific items.

8.10.1. **Rank.** Hard shoulder board ranks will be worn on the service coat as well as epaulets on the LS blues shirt underneath.

8.10.2. **Prop and Wings.** One pair of standard chrome plated prop and wings will be worn, as shown in the table below and Fig 8.2. Gold Prop and Wings are authorized for direct descendants of the Army Air Corps, Women Airforce Service Pilots, or parent USAFA Graduates.

8.10.3. **Wings/Badges.** Wear of Air Force aeronautical, space, cyberspace, multi-domain warfare and missile operations badges are mandatory on the service dress uniform. Prior enlisted cadets may wear their previous AFSC badges.

8.10.4. **Merit Pins.** If earned from the previous semester, the wear of a merit pin is mandatory on the service coat (see FIG 8.20.).

8.10.5. **Arnold Air Society Devices.** The wearing of Arnold Air Society Devices is required on the service dress uniform for members of the Arnold Air Society.

8.10.6. **Headgear.** Blue berets are authorized to be worn with Class B uniform and OCPs after specific Commandant approval is provided at the beginning of each AY. Cadet Sq/CC will inspect and ensure all Firsties have properly formed and are wearing their blue berets correctly.

8.10.7. **Headphones and Earphones.** Only authorized during air travel and/or passenger travel. Use of a hands-free device is authorized while operating a motor vehicle in uniform.

Table 8.1. Men's Service Dress Accouterment Placement.

Nametag	Grounded and centered above the wearer's right pocket. The bottom of the nametag will rest on but not over the top edge of the pocket.
Ranks	The hardboard rank will be worn on each shoulder, with the lapel tucked underneath the tip of the board.
Prop and Wings	The Prop and Wings insignia will be centered horizontally on the lapel in line with the point with the wings parallel to the ground.
Badges/Wings	Max of four (including a merit pin), with only two above the ribbons, on the service dress coat. First badge or pair of wings will be centered above the ribbons by ½ inch. Wear in order of precedence as shown in section 8.11.5.1 of this publication. Parachutist wings are optional on the service dress uniform, but when worn, will be placed above an AFSC badge and below aeronautical, space, or cyber badges.
Merit Badge	Centered on the wearers left pocket both horizontally and vertically. If a prior enlisted badge belongs in the same place, the prior enlisted badge takes precedence.
German Armed Forces Badge for Military proficiency (GPB)	Centered on the wearers right pocket. Other foreign awards may be worn so long they do not interfere with the wear of mandatory items.
Arnold Air Society devices	The Arnold Air Society pin will be centered ½ inch above the nametag.

Table 8.2. Women's Service Dress Accouterment Placement.

Nametag	Centered on right side between arm seam and line of buttons or lapel, even with or 1.5 inches higher/lower than the first exposed button and parallel with the ground.
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Ranks	The hardboard rank will be worn on each shoulder, with the lapel tucked underneath the tip of the board.
Prop and Wings	The Prop and Wings insignia will be centered horizontally on the lapel in line with the point with the wings parallel to the ground.
Badges/Wings	Max of four (including a merit pin), with only two above the ribbons, on the service dress coat. First badge or pair of wings will be centered above the ribbons by ½ inch. Wear in order of precedence as shown in section 8.11.5.1 of this publication. Parachutist wings are optional on the service dress uniform, but when worn, will be placed above an AFSC badge and below aeronautical, space, or cyber badges.
Merit Badge	Centered ½ inch above the nametag. If a prior enlisted badge belongs in the same place, the prior enlisted badge takes precedence.
Arnold Air Society devices	The Arnold Air Society pin will be centered ½ inch above the nametag. If worn, the Arnold Air Society pin will be placed above a merit pin.



Figure 8.1. Service Dress with P&W



Figure 8.2. Service Dress

8.11 Service Uniform (Class B). Worn in long and short sleeve variants determined by the Commandant of Cadets.

8.11.1. **Nametag.** Only the blue plastic nametag is authorized and will be worn on the service uniform.

8.11.2. **Ranks.** A pair of epaulets will be worn on each shoulder.

8.11.3. **Wings/Badges.** Wear of Air Force aeronautical, space, cyberspace, multi-domain warfare and missile operations badges are mandatory on the service uniform. Prior enlisted cadets may wear their previous AFSC badges.

8.11.3.1 **Wings/ Badges Precedence.** From top to bottom, wings and badges will be worn in the following order.

8.11.3.1.1 Any prior service flight badge.

8.11.3.1.2 Soaring Instructor Pilot Wings.

8.11.3.1.3 Cadet Aviation Club Wings.

8.11.3.1.4 Cadet Flight Wings.

8.11.3.1.5 Cadet Space Wings.

8.11.3.1.6 Parachutist Wings.

8.11.3.1.7 Any prior service AFSC Badges.

8.11.3.1.8 USMC Black/Gold Ancho.

8.11.4. **Merit Pins.** If earned from the previous semester, the wear of a merit pin is optional on the service uniform.

8.11.5. **Arnold Air Society Devices.** The wear of Arnold Air Society Devices is optional on the service uniform as deemed appropriate by the Arnold Air Society Sq/CC.

8.11.6. **Headgear.** Wear issued unaltered service/flight cap IAW DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel* and this publication with the following exceptions. For C1Cs, C2Cs, C3Cs, and C4Cs in Upgrade Training, a standard issue prop and wing insignia will be worn in place of a rank insignia. Reference para. 8.10.3. for regulations regarding gold prop and wings.

8.11.6.1 C1Cs may wear Blue Berets for all applicable uniform configurations upon Commandant approval.

8.11.7. **Footwear.** Black low quarters, polished to a high shine are preferable, with plain black socks. Corframs are authorized and optional.

8.11.8. **Additional female uniform guidance.** The items below are optional for wear for female cadets in service uniform (Class B).

8.11.8.1 **Skirts.** Skirts may not be worn if they impede the execution of a required event.

8.11.8.2 **Semi form-fitting blouse.** C4C (post Recognition & Promotion) and C1C-C3C female cadets are authorized to wear the semi-form fitting blouse in service uniform, so long as it is not visible underneath the A-Jacket.

Table 8.4. Men's Service Uniform Accouterments Placement.

Nametag	Grounded and centered above the wearer's right pocket. The bottom of the nametag will rest on but not over the top edge of the pocket.
Ranks	The epaulets will be worn on each shoulder. Metal stiffeners are authorized underneath.
Ribbons	Grounded and centered on the left pocket. The bottom of the ribbons will rest on but not over the top edge of the pocket.
Badges/Wings	Max of four (including a merit pin), with only two above the ribbons. First badge or pair of wings will be centered above the ribbons by ½ inch. Wear in order of precedence as shown in section 8.11.5.1 of this publication. Parachutist wings are optional on the service uniform, but when worn, will be placed above an AFSC badge and below aeronautical, space, or cyber badges.
Merit Badge	Centered on the wearers left pocket both horizontally and vertically. If a prior enlisted badge belongs in the same place, the prior enlisted badge takes precedence.
Arnold Air Society devices	The Arnold Air Society pin will be centered ½ inch above the nametag.

Table 8.5. Women's Service Uniform Accouterments Placement.

Nametag	The name tag will be centered, even within 1 ½ inches higher or lower than the first exposed button on the wearers right side.
Ranks	The epaulets will be worn on each shoulder. Metal stiffeners are authorized underneath.

Ribbons	Centered on the wearers left, parallel to the ground. Align bottom of the ribbons with the bottom of the name tag.
Badges/Wings	Max of four (including a merit pin), with only two above the ribbons. First badge or pair of wings will be centered above the ribbons by ½ inch. Wear in order of precedence as shown in section 8.11.5.1 of this publication. Parachutist wings are optional on the service uniform, but when worn, will be placed above an AFSC badge and below aeronautical, space, or cyber badges.
Merit Badge	Centered ½ inch above the nametag. If a prior enlisted badge belongs in the same place, the prior enlisted badge takes precedence.
Arnold Air Society devices	The Arnold Air Society pin will be centered ½ inch above the nametag. If worn, the Arnold Air Society pin will be placed below a GPB and above a merit pin.



Figure 8.3. Service Uniform



Figure 8.4. Wear of optional Service Uniform Skirt

8.11.9. Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP). Worn IAW DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel*, with the following provisions for the AFCW:

8.11.9.1 **Rank insignia.** Placed on Velcro patch area centered.

8.11.9.2 Wear of Operational AF Aeronautical badges is mandatory.

8.11.9.3 Wear of the class year patch on the left shoulder is mandatory.

8.11.9.4 Morale patches are not authorized to be worn on the OCP uniform.

8.11.9.5 **Headgear.**

8.11.9.5.1 **Patrol caps.** Worn by lower three classes. Will rest squarely on the head with band horizontal to the ground and no hair protruding in front. Female hair must not interfere with proper wear. Reference Figure 8.6.

8.11.9.5.2 **Blue Berets.** Blue Berets may be worn in OCPs upon Commandant approval.

8.11.9.5.3 **Class colored baseball hats.** Worn only by basic cadets or when authorized by Commandant of Cadets.

8.11.9.5.4 Organizational caps, except for CFRT and course cadre, are not authorized.

8.11.9.6 Sister Service Uniforms. Upon selection for commissioning into a sister service (e.g., Army, Navy, Marines), cadets may wear sister service utility uniforms when OCPs are UOD. Cadets must complete a satisfactory uniform inspection conducted by a sister service PP Sq/CC, or sister service officer from DF/AD/USAF Space Detachment, in the sister service uniform before regular wear sister service uniform wear.

8.11.9.6.1 When required for UOD, cold weather gear will be equivalent to that worn by the rest of the AFCW.

Figure 8.5. OCP Uniform



Figure 8.6. Parol Cap



Figure 8.7. Right Arm Patches



Figure 8.8. Left Arm Patches



Figure 8.9. Rank Placement



8.12 Flight Duty Uniform (FDU)

8.12.1. FDU sleeves will be down.

8.12.2. Will not be worn in the cadet area by PP or cadet at any time.

8.12.3. Nametag is worn above the left pocket. Includes name, "USAF CADET," and class year. Cadets may also include aviation, space, or jump wings. The nametags will have standardized class-colored backgrounds, white borders/insignia/lettering for red and blue backgrounds, and black borders/insignia/lettering for gray and yellow background colors. Class year worn must be reflective of graduating class regardless of status.

8.12.4. For US Cadets, an American flag will be worn on the left shoulder. The assigned squadron patch will be worn on the right shoulder. Spice Brown color criteria patches for the OCP are not authorized for wear with the FDU.

8.12.5. Currently assigned Squadron, Group, or Wing patches are the only authorized

organizational patches for wear.

8.12.5.1 Morale patches of any kind are not authorized.

Figure 8.10. FDU



Figure 8.11. Cadet Physical Training Uniform



8.13 Cadet Physical Training Uniform (PTU).

8.13.1. **Fitness Programs.** The AD allows wearing colored shirts with the PTU to distinguish and identify cadets-in-charge while performing relevant duties. Fitness programs include Athletic Reconditioning (RECONDO) and Cadet Fitness Center (CFC) Cadet in Charge (CIC).

8.13.2. PTU T-Shirt must have the pre-printed name above USAFA lettering.

8.13.3. PTU Shorts must be issued USAFA PT shorts.

8.13.4. PTU will only be worn when proceeding directly to and from the Cadet Area and in the athletic areas. Cadets may wear the PTU after 1700 on duty days and during the weekends, excluding military duties with UOD requirements.

8.13.5. Squadron-customized intramural jerseys may be worn during intramural competitions; design and color require PP Sq/CC and AD approval. IC cadets will not wear AD-issued gear on the terrazzo or transiting to and from practice. IC cadets will wear PTU while in the CFC during the duty day (0625-1700), except RECONDO and CFC CICs.

8.13.6. Shirts will be tucked in at all times unless actively working out.

8.13.7. The running suit jacket will be zipped above the USAFA emblem. Both pant legs will extend below the ankles and be zipped within one inch of the bottom.

8.13.8. USAFA grey hooded sweatshirts and Air Force-related grey, blue, white or black hooded sweatshirts may be worn underneath a running suit jacket for added warmth. If worn, hood will be down. Logos will not be visible. Short, mid, and full-length solid black, white, or dark blue form fitting sportswear (i.e., spandex, Lycra, or elastic) may be worn and visible under both the PTU pants and shorts. Any other civilian attire is NOT authorized for wear with PTU.

8.13.9. Cadets will not “roll” the PTU shorts waistband.

8.13.10. **Headwear.** Only issued black watch caps are authorized.

8.13.11. Footwear, socks, watch caps, and undergarments will be worn IAW DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel* instructions on Physical Training Gear (PTG).

8.13.12. AD will coordinate with CW to determine authorized deviations/alternative PE

uniforms based on safety and mission requirements for certain PE courses.

8.14 Mess Dress. Reference DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel*.

8.14.1. Merit badges will be worn in Mess Dress.

8.14.2. **Footwear.** Black low quarters, polished to a high shine are preferable, with plain black socks. Corframs are authorized and optional.

8.15 Parade Uniform.

8.15.1. **Jacket.** Extend to the bottom of the hipbone, be equal distance from the floor at all points, and overlap trousers by no less than 2 inches. One set of standard props and wings will be worn on the parade collar. They will be placed on each side, measuring 1 ½" from the front of the collar. Center each prop and wing between the top and bottom edge of the collar and place parallel to a collar (reference Figure 8.14.).

8.15.2. **Trousers.** Fitted trim, but it is not tight. The front of the trouser leg rests on the front of the shoe with a slight break in the crease; the back of the trouser leg must be approximately 7/8 of an inch longer than the front. Honor Guard may wear stripes during program activities.

8.15.3. Accessories:

8.15.3.1 Headgear – white parade cap.

8.15.3.2 Gloves – white.

8.15.3.3 Suspenders – white, blue, or black (solid color only).

8.15.4. **Belt.** White parade belt with buckle. C1Cs wear gold or silver sash/tassels. Cadets joining the United States Space Force will wear the silver sash and tassel. Tassel is worn on the left side, slightly behind the hipbone. Note: Honor Guard, Drum and Bugle, and Sabre Drill Team may wear the parade sash as required.

8.15.5. **Footwear.** Black low quarters, polished to a high shine are preferable, with plain black socks. Corframs are authorized and optional.

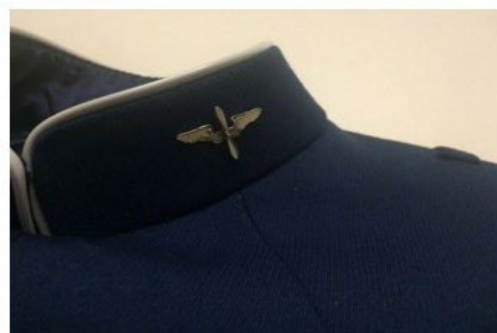
8.15.6. **Sabre.** Firstie Cadets are authorized to wear the saber in uniform. The Sabre strap is located under the sash. Sabre and scabbard rest on the left hip in front of the tassel.

8.15.7. **Undergarments.** Mandatory and must be plain white or match skin tone with no pattern or design.

Figure 8.12. Parade Uniform



Figure 8.13. Parade Dress Prop and Wings



8.16 Cadet Informal Uniform (CIU). When authorized by club CICs and OICs, cadets are authorized to wear the CIU. Cadets will obtain the CIU when authorized and will maintain proper care of it.

8.16.1. **Shirt.** Shirts will be short sleeve, royal blue polo-style, with the officially recognized

“US AIR FORCE” contemporary symbol on front, upper left chest tucked into khaki pants.

8.16.2. **Trousers.** Trousers must be procured by cadets and will be khaki in color (shorts and Capri pants are not authorized).

8.16.3. **Belt.** The belt will be black or brown with a silver or gold clasp.

8.16.4. **Footwear.** Shoes may be black or brown casual low quarters or athletic style. The color of the shoes must match the color of the belt. Socks will be black or khaki with small logos and must match the belt.

8.16.5. **Hair.** Hair will be groomed per DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel* and para 8.2, General Appearance Standards.

8.16.6. **Customs and Courtesies.** Proper military customs and courtesies honoring the flag during reveille/retreat will apply (this means coming to full attention and rendering a proper salute when outdoors.) Saluting is required with rank recognition.

8.17 Outer Garments

8.17.1. **A-Jacket.** The A-Jacket may be worn indoors or outdoors over the service uniform with a flight cap. The A-Jacket may also be worn with black gloves, earmuffs, and watch caps.

8.17.2. **Patches.** Special Activity Patches may only be worn on Athletic Jacket. Send requests for new or redesigned club or activity patches, including a color drawing of a patch, to Cadet Co-Curricular Activity Board (CCAB) Patches. Must not exceed 3 ½” in diameter.

8.17.2.1 CCAB is chaired by the Chief, Training and Support Division (CWT) and is the final approval for patches. CCAB maintains an approved list of patches.

8.17.3. **Parka.** The Parka may be worn over service uniform and PTUs outdoors only. An A-Jacket, gloves, and scarf must be worn with the Parka. When the hood is worn down, the zipper should be even with the top of the name tape, and the hood must be unzipped.

8.17.4. **Raincoat.** The Raincoat may be worn over the service uniform with a flight or service cap and only outdoors. Metal rank is pinned to a rank tab on the front of Raincoat. Cold-weather accessories are optional.

8.17.5. **Overcoat.** The Overcoat may be worn over a service dress outdoors only with a service cap or flight cap. Scarf and gloves must be worn with a service coat. Earmuffs and watch caps are optional. Collar flaps are folded down and buttoned. Service dress shoulder boards are worn on the Overcoat like the service dress jacket.

8.17.6. **Cold Weather Accessories.** Cold weather accessories such as gloves, scarves, pullovers, cardigans, watch caps and earmuffs may be worn IAW DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of the United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel*.

Figure 8.14. Overcoat

Figure 8.15. Parka

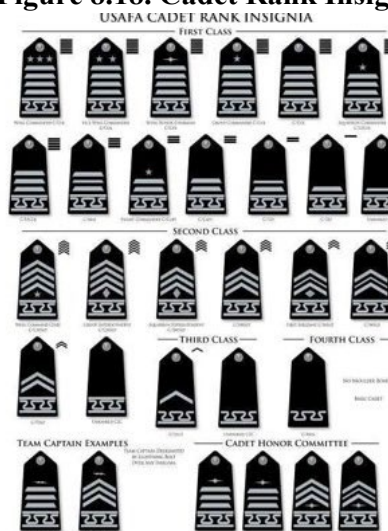
Figure 8.16. Athletic Jacket



Figure 8.17. Rank on Rain Coat



Figure 8.18. Cadet Rank Insignia



Note: Team captains may be ranked as C/Maj or higher (C1C), C/MSgt or higher (C2C), or C/SSgt or higher (C3C) and are identified as such by a lightning bolt engraved on their shoulder boards. Team captain lightning bolt may be added to any rank on which it will fit horizontally to the ground.

8.18 Guardian Uniforms. Firstie Cadets selected for commission into the United States Space Force are not authorized modifications to the cadet uniform besides the following.

8.18.1. Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP). C1Cs selected for the USSF are authorized the wear of “Space Blue” name/service tapes (see Figure 8.20) on both the OCP, Patrol Cap and cold weather gear.

8.18.2. Rank. USSF-selected cadets will wear “Space Blue” rank patches.

8.18.3. Subdued Patches USSF selected cadets will continue to wear subdued patches. At no point will cadets wear colored patches.

8.18.4. Cadets will adhere to SPFGM2024-36-01 for the previous modifications.

Figure 8.19. Cadet Merit Badges



Figure 8.20. Guardian Uniforms**Table 8.5 Exchange Cadet/Midshipmen Equivalent Uniforms**

USAFA	USMA	USNA	USCGA
Mess Dress	Full Dress Grey Dress Mess	Dinner Dress	Dinner Dress
Parade Dress	Full Dress Over White	Full Dress Blue	Service Dress with Combination Cover
Service Dress with Service Caps as specified	Dress Grey (Winter) White Over Grey (Summer)	Service Dress Blue (Winter) Summer White (Summer)	Full Dress Blue
Service Uniform	As For Class	Working Blues and Khakis	Tropical Blue Long (Summer) Winter Dress Blue (Winter)
FDU	FDU	FDU	FDU
OCP	OCP	Navy Work Uniform	ODU
Athletic Uniform (as appropriate for sport)	AFPU Jacket	PT Gear (or team uniform applicable to sport)	Gym (or team uniform applicable to sport)
Overcoat	Long-O	Overcoat	Bridge Coat
Parka	USMA Parka	Reefer	Parka
Service Cap	Service Cap	Combination Cover	Combination Cover
Flight Cap	Garrison Cap	Flight Cap	Garrison Cover
Athletic Jacket	Black Athletic Jacket	Ike Jacket	Blue Windbreaker

Note: Exchange cadets/midshipmen wear cadet winter uniform options when USAFA cadets wear service dress with service caps in parades, march-on, or retreat formations.