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## Common Military Bearing Mistakes, May 2017, Volume 1, Issue 2

**Wear of Earrings**

Problem: Incorrectly wearing earrings while in uniform

* Solution:

| **Authorized Wear** | **Gold Ball Earrings** | **White Pearl Earrings** | **Clear Diamond Earrings** |
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| Dinner Dress  Blue/White Jacket | Authorized | Authorized | Authorized |
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| Full Dress  Blue/White | Authorized | Authorized | Authorized |
| Service Dress  Blue/White | Authorized | Authorized | Authorized |
| Summer White | Authorized |  |  |
| Service Khaki | Authorized |  |  |
| Coveralls | Authorized |  |  |
| Operational Dress Uniform | Authorized |  |  |

* Only one plain 4mm-6mm earring (shiny/brushed matte finish, screw-on/with posts) may be worn per ear, centered on earlobe
* Earrings are not authorized for men while in uniform/duty status

Bookmark:

* [Uniforms and Appearance (CC412.01)](https://dcp.psc.gov/ccmis/ccis/documents/CC412.01.pdf)
* [Uniforms for Female Officers (CC421.02)](https://dcp.psc.gov/ccmis/ccis/documents/cc421_02.pdf)
* [USPHS Officer’s Guide: Leadership, Protocol, & Service Standards (2](http://www.coausphs.org/membership/publications/)[nd](http://www.coausphs.org/membership/publications/) [ed.)](http://www.coausphs.org/membership/publications/)

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## Policy Review: Awards, May 2017, Volume 1, Issue 2

**Policy IQ Test**

Test your knowledge of the Corps’ Award policy.

1. What are the criteria for earning an Isolated Hardship award?
   1. a. Unusually Arduous Sea Duty or Land Duty from a list of approved sites.
   2. b. Minimum of 90 consecutive days in an area designated as isolated or insular.
   3. c. Minimum of 12 consecutive months in an area designated as isolated or insular.
2. When will DCCPR supply an award certificate and medal set (large medal and ribbon)?
   1. a. First award of DSM, MSM, SGESM, OSM, CM.
   2. b. First award of DSM, MSM, SGESM, OSM, CM, AM.
   3. c. First award of DSM, MSM, SGESM, OSM, CM, AM, CIT.
3. When will DCCPR issue an award certificate?
   1. a. Each unit and service award.
   2. b. Each individual, unit, and service award.
   3. c. Each initial individual award and each 2nd or more of same award in lieu of additional medal

*Answers: 1-a, 2-c, 3-c*

Bookmark:

[Award Program Instruction (CC1511.01)](https://dcp.psc.gov/ccmis/ccis/documents/CC511_01.pdf)

Keep your finger on the pulse, check for policy updates in [Commissioned Corps Bulletins](https://dcp.psc.gov/ccmis/bulletin/BULLETIN_archives_m.aspx).

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