SUBJECT: Uniforms for Female Officers

1. PURPOSE: This Instruction prescribes the various uniforms, uniform articles, and uniform accessories to be worn by female officers of the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) Commissioned Corps. This Instruction also provides information on prescribable and optional uniform components, occasions for wearing the uniform, and uniform requirements.

2. APPLICABILITY: This Instruction applies to female members of the Regular Corps and the Ready Reserve Corps on active duty.

3. AUTHORITY:
   3-1. 42 U.S.C. § 216(a), "Regulations"
   3-2. 42 U.S.C. § 217, "Use of Service in Time of War or Emergency"
   3-3. 42 U.S.C. § 238g, "Wearing of Uniforms"
   3-4. 18 U.S.C. § 702, "Uniform of Armed Forces and Public Health Service"
   3-5. Executive Order 11140, "Delegating Certain Functions of the President Relating to the Public Health Service"
   3-6. 68 FR 70507, "Statements of Organizations, Functions, and Delegations of Authority"
   3-7. Commissioned Corps Directive (CCD) 131.01, "Uniform Regulations"

4. PROPONENT: The proponent of this Instruction is the Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH). The responsibility for ensuring the day-to-day management of the USPHS Commissioned Corps belongs to the Surgeon General (SG).

5. SUMMARY OF REVISIONS AND UPDATES: This is the fifth issuance of this Instruction within the electronic Commissioned Corps Issuance System (eCCIS) and replaces Commissioned Corps Instruction (CCI) 421.02, "Uniforms for Female Officers," dated 15 December 2015. This version:
   5-1. Authorizes new enhanced fleece liner with rank tab for wear with the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU).
5-2. Authorizes new ODU replacement with the Coast Guard Utility uniform.

5-3. Authorizes the Improved Flame Variant Coveralls for shipboard use.

5-4. Authorizes new Flex Fit Black Windbreaker Jacket.

5-5. Authorizes optional Blue Utility/Working T-Shirt with options of command/unit logos.

5-6. Authorizes new Female Service Dress White Jacket (Choker).

5-7. Authorizes flats for Service or Service Dress Uniforms.

5-8. Removes Gold Lined Cape; Beret; Cap, Ball, Coyote Brown; and Cap, Utility, 8 Point as authorized components.

5-9. Moves Duffel Bag to CCI 413.01, "Special Uniform Situations."
6. POLICY:

6-1. All officers, except those participating in the Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (COSTEP) or in the Senior COSTEP, must maintain all required components of the Service Dress Blue (SDB) and the ODU. In addition, officers are responsible for buying and maintaining other uniforms required by their prescribing authority. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not require any minimum number of uniforms required to be in an officer’s possession, except in the instance of certain special uniforms as outlined in CCI 413.01, “Special Uniform Considerations.” Officers must obtain and maintain sufficient quantities of uniform items to ensure a high standard of personal hygiene and appearance.

6-2. Except as may be authorized by regulations of the President, only current officers in the USPHS Commissioned Corps can wear the insignia and uniform of commissioned officers of the Service, or any distinctive part of such insignia or uniform, or any insignia or uniform that has a part similar to a distinctive part of the USPHS Commissioned Corps’ uniform.

6-3. Operational Dress Uniform (ODU); Phase Out 1 February 2023. General Authorized Uses. The National Uniform Authority (NUA) may authorize wear of the ODU in any of the following situations:

a. Emergency preparedness or response activities, including field exercises, planned or emergency responses, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) emergency-response-related exhibits, HHS emergency-response-related recruiting, and training for operations as determined by the NUA, such as:

(1) Exposure to harsh elements, e.g., high temperatures, cold, or precipitation;

(2) In dirt, water, or mud;

(3) Where other types of uniforms would become unreasonably soiled or unkempt and require daily cleaning; or

(4) In indoor settings where officers will or could be working in dirty settings, e.g., partially destroyed buildings, or on the floor of a building, such as when kneeling beside patients on stretchers.

b. Exercises or operations that are conducted jointly, or in the same environment, with other branches of the Uniformed Services whose service members are wearing their counterpart uniforms. The NUA will prescribe an ODU that is in accordance with the directives of the commanding officer-in-charge (OIC) of a joint exercise or operation, when such a directive can be obtained in advance. When such a directive cannot be obtained in advance, or when an operation is in the same environment but is not a joint operation, the NUA may prescribe the ODU independently.

c. Activities where personnel safety (from physical or environmental/weather conditions), durability, and appearance make other uniforms inappropriate, e.g., vehicle maintenance, environmental sampling in muddy conditions, construction, or correctional institutions.

d. Special HHS or Joint Services event, e.g., a salute to returning forces ceremonies or awards ceremonies. In a Joint Services event, the USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes the ODU only when members of other Uniformed Services will wear their equivalent uniform. In HHS-only events, the event must be an
emergency-response or austere environment-related ceremony, otherwise the ODU wear must be approved by the SG.

e. Daily Wear. An officer may wear the ODUs daily as defined by the NUA or the local uniform authority (LUA).

f. Other Uses. For uses, other than those listed in Section 6-3., an Operating Division (OPDIV), Staff Division (STAFFDIV) or non-HHS organization LUA must request authorization from the Office of the Surgeon General (OSG).

g. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize the wearing of a U.S. Flag patch on the ODU.

h. The nametape and U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) identification (ID) tape will be gold letters on ODU blue cloth tape. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize direct embroidery. Officers will wear the nametape flush above the right front shirt pocket. Officers will wear the ID tape flush above the left front shirt pocket. Tapes must not be shorter than or extend beyond the width of the respective ODU pocket.

i. The USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes up to 2 authorized skill badge patches for wear. Officers must wear each badge patch centered, ¼" above the USPHS ID tape or, if 2 skill badge patches are worn, ¼" above the lower badge patch on the ODU front left shirt pocket. The Field Medical Readiness Badge (FMRB) patch must be folded and sewn in a manner to form a square, and, if worn, must be worn above the lower badge patch. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize direct embroidery. Skill badge patches must be in the appropriate thread color by the issuing entity on an ODU blue background tape. The USPHS Commissioned Corps also does not authorize olive drab or other non-ODU blue background tapes.

j. Identification Badges. The Officer in Charge miniature metal identification badge may be worn ¼ inch above nametape, if authorized for current wear. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize any other identification badges for wear.

k. Only the OSG may authorize the Special Unit Identification Patch. These special patches must be of the subdued, embroidered type with a basic ODU blue background and must not exceed 3½ inches in the greatest dimension. Special unit identification patches must be worn on the ODU blouse centered on the left breast pocket. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize the current olive drab Special Unit Identification Patch for wear on the ODU.

l. Manner of Wear. The ODU is designed for field wear and should be loose fitting and comfortable. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize alterations to make it form-fitting. Officers will wear the ODU shirt outside the trousers, not tucked in, with all buttons buttoned except for the collar button; the collar is worn open. The sleeves may be rolled up when allowed by the LUA. When the sleeves are worn rolled up, the outside of the ODU material will remain exposed. Officers will wear the trousers bloused over the top portion of the boots, but must not wrap the trouser legs around the leg so tightly as to present a pegged appearance. Loose threads must be trimmed from all uniform components. Boot laces must be secured in a manner such that no loops are created; ends of the laces must be tucked into the boots. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize spider lacing or the use of non-black boot laces.
7. RESPONSIBILITIES:

7-1. The ASH is responsible for establishing policies related to uniforms.

7-2. All officers are responsible for adhering to the guidelines and procedures listed in this Instruction.

7-3. Supervisors and the chain of command are responsible for enforcing uniform standards as provided in policy.

8. PROCEDURES:

8-1. The dinner dress uniforms are available in both dinner dress ‘regular’ and ‘jacket’ versions. The jacket versions have the word ‘jacket’ as part of the designation. The jacket versions are more formal than the regular versions as they use a dinner jacket, while the regular versions use the service dress coat. Officers at the O-4 rank and above must use the jacket versions. Junior officers in the ranks of Ensign through Lieutenant (O-1 through O-3) may wear the jacket versions but the USPHS Commissioned Corps will not require them to do so.

8-2. The fabric of service dress coats and uniform shirts should match that of the trousers or skirt. When a particular fabric is worn, the belt and cap cover must be made of matching fabric. A vinyl cap cover is optional.

8-3. The Service Khaki uniform is made of Certified Navy Twill (CNT) or polyester/wool.

8-4. Clothing articles must meet the Army, Navy, or Coast Guard specification for the applicable item. For example, the trousers of the SDB must be of approved design, style, and materials, not merely the correct color. Officers can assume that articles purchased from Navy uniform shops, including the Uniform Support Center in Chesapeake, VA, are approved. However, officers need to ensure that every article purchased from commercial, non-governmental sources has a certification and/or a military specification tag sewn into the garment.

8-5. Officers assigned to patient care or laboratory areas may wear a suitable lab coat over the uniform when required to perform assigned duties. However, officers must not wear a lab coat over the uniform outside the immediate place of work and any covered area associated with that location. See CCI 413.01, "Special Uniform Situations," for more guidance on protective clothing.

a. Officers may wear scrub attire when gross contamination by bodily fluids is likely to occur (i.e., operating room, labor and delivery, emergency department, or laboratory settings). However, even when scrub attire is worn in a duty station as authorized by the LUA, officers must wear the prescribed uniform of the day to work and upon termination of duty for the day.

b. Routine clinical office activity does not require scrub attire.

8-6. When wearing Dinner Dress, Ceremonial Dress, or Service Dress uniforms, officers must wear all authorized ribbons and/or appropriate sized medals as annotated in an officer's electronic Official Personnel Folder (eOPF). When wearing service uniforms (i.e., Summer Whites or Service Khaki), an officer has the option to wear all authorized ribbons or the option to wear only the top 3 highest awards as annotated in an officer's eOPF.

8-7. The sleeves of the ODU may be rolled up (accordion style, with only the cuff showing) or down. This is the same as the manner of wear by the Coast Guard and Navy. The rolled
sleeve width will be approximately 3 inches and centered on the mid-to-lower third of the upper arm. The rolled sleeves will not be below the elbow.

8-8. In the Appendix A, the description of each uniform includes four subsections:

a. Required Basic Uniform Components identifying each of the elements of the particular uniform that must be owned and worn as appropriate to make the uniform complete;

b. Prescribable Items are uniform items that may be directed or authorized for wear with the basic uniform. Officers may wear prescribable items with the basic uniform at the individual's discretion unless otherwise directed;

c. Optional Items are items that may be worn with the basic uniform, but are not required by the USPHS Commissioned Corps. Officers may wear optional Items with the basic uniform at the individual's discretion unless otherwise directed; and

d. Occasions for Wear identifying the types of situations where a particular uniform may be appropriate. Note, however, that the LUA, not the officer, determines which uniform(s) is to be worn as the uniform of the day or for other circumstances.

8-9. Definitions:

a. Conspicuous. Obvious to the eye, attracting attention, striking, bright in color. Officers should avoid being conspicuous and blend with (not stand out from) a professional appearance in uniform. What is conspicuous on one person may not be noticeable on another. If attention is naturally drawn to or distracted from the professional appearance, it is conspicuous.

b. Conservative. Not conspicuous or detracting from the professional appearance while in uniform. Officers should wear conservative items that blend with (not stand out from) a professional appearance in uniform.

c. Faddish. A style followed for a short period of time with exaggerated zeal. Styles are enduring; fads are generally short in duration and frequently are started by an individual or event in the civilian community. Fads are generally conspicuous and detract from a professional appearance.

d. Compliments Skin Tone. A conservative color is one that matches or reflects the wearer's natural skin tone. Colors that compliment skin tones are generally inconspicuous and do not detract from a professional appearance in uniform.

8-10. PHS Sword. The sword utilized by the USPHS Commissioned Corps is a sword in the general style of the U.S. Army Model 1860, Staff and Field Officers' Sword.

a. Pommel, Grip-socket, Ferrules, and Guard. The pommel, grip-socket, ferrules, and guard must be die struck or cast bronze, evenly plated with 24K gold. All designs must be clearly defined and conform to the military specifications and illustrations shown in the Appendix C. Officers must polish all smooth surfaces to a bright finish and ensure that the pommel, grip-socket, ferrules, and guard are free from blow holes, cracks, fractures, oxidation, or other irregularities in the metal.

(1) Pommel. The pommel must be circular in shape, approximately 1-1/8" in diameter, with sixteen conical flutes radiating from its center.
(2) Grip-socket. The grip-socket must be an inverted truncated cone: the obverse side ornamented by the USPHS Commissioned Corps device in high relief, positioned so that the staff of the caduceus is vertical; the reverse side bearing a five-pointed star, in high relief. Each ornament must be sized to be inscribed in a circle 3/4" in diameter.

(3) Ferrules. Ferrules must be continuous bands of metal 1/2" wide, decorated as illustrated in Appendix C.

(4) Counter guards. The obverse and reverse counter guards, as illustrated in Appendix D, must be kidney shaped, with the obverse larger at its long axis than the reverse. The obverse counter guard will be ornamented by the USPHS Commissioned Corps device between sprays of laurel. The reverse counter guard (either spring hinged or permanently fixed in the turned down position) be ornamented by a trophy device.

b. Grip. The grip must be made of bleached sharkskin, white pebble finish, or molded therm-setting plastic. There will be a continuous gold-coated wire (or three continuous gold-coated wires) wound spirally on the surface of the grip to form 13 (plus or minus 1) evenly spaced bands. A wooden form, properly turned, may be used as the base of the grip.

c. Blade. (See Appendix E) The blade must be made from high carbon tool steel or stainless steel and must meet military standards. It must be straight, tapering, double-edged, diamond shaped in cross section, with a base 5/8" to 11/16", length 29" to 32", and etched decorations will include the USPHS Commissioned Corps device on each side. The obverse side will have a panel to contain the officer’s name. The reverse side will have a panel to contain the inscription, “United States Public Health Service.” The etching must begin 1-1/16" from the hilt and extend 15-9/16" from the hilt.

d. Hilt Guard. A piece of white felt or leather 1/8" thick will be slotted to fit the hilt.

e. Scabbard. The scabbard must be made of sheet steel 0.040" to 0.065" thick, rolled, formed, and welded; or of stainless steel tubing 0.040" to 0.065" thick. It must provide a proper fit for the sword.

(1) Liner. Two pieces of balsa wood or sulfur-free fiberboard inside the scabbard must extend from the hilt to within 3" (plus or minus ½") of the toe of the scabbard.

(2) Cover. The scabbard must be covered with black calfskin, Morocco leather, or a suitable synthetic material. Leather must be 2-1/2 ounces in thickness, full grained, and smooth finished.

(3) Bands, Mounts, and Rings. Scabbards must have three bands: a top band or throat, a middle band, and a distal band or tip. They need to have two star mounts with rings and a shoe mount. Bands, mounts, and rings must be formed of cast bronze or formed in one piece by stamping and then evenly plating with 24K gold (see illustration, Appendix F). The bands will be held in place by one or more inconspicuous screws.

(a) Top Band. The top band must have a lip at the throat and a five-pointed star mounted on the obverse side between two attached free-turning rings with the center of the star 1-13/16" from the
distal end of the band and 2-7/16" from the proximal end. The band can be suitably engraved.

(b) Middle Band. The middle band must have a five-pointed star mounted on the obverse side adjacent to one free-turning ring with the star’s center 1-3/8" from either end of the band. The band should be suitably engraved.

(c) Distal Band. The distal band or tip must have a shoe guard, or drag, mounted around its end and either firmly brazed to the band, or the entire mount should be stamped as a single unit. The distal band can be suitably engraved.

f. Sword Case. Each sword and scabbard will have a cotton flannelette case to fit the assembled sword and scabbard. The fabric must be vat-dyed silver or gray, weigh approximately 4.0 ounces per square yard, and evenly napped on one side. The case must be made with a strip of cotton tape approximately 1/2" wide inserted at the seams and hem for closure and provide a proper fit for the sword and scabbard.

8-11. Sword Wear and Accessories.

a. Officers can wear the sword and accessories as part of the Full Dress (Blue or White) and Dinner Dress uniforms.

b. Proper Wear.

(1) Officers can wear the sword belt under the coat of Full Dress Blue or White uniforms with strap and hook passing through the opening provided on the left side of the coat. Belt straps are snapped to rings on the sword scabbard and upper ring is hooked to the belt with sword hilt to the rear.

(2) When an officer wears an overcoat (bridge coat) with Full Dress Blue, the sword goes through the slit in the overcoat and the lower loop goes through the back vent in the coat and the sword attached - same as Full Dress Blue.

(3) A sword is not worn with the All-Weather Coat, Blue.

(4) When officers wear swords at a military funeral, they must also wear a mourning badge that is 3" wide and 20" long, knotted in the middle at the sword hilt. A mourning badge is made of black crepe material.

(5) The sword’s handle faces aft (to the rear) when properly worn.

(6) A sword is not routinely worn in a house of worship.

c. Description.

(1) Sword Belt. The USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes two sword belt styles:

(a) The traditional sword belt is made of plain black grain leather, or synthetic material presenting the same appearance, 1-3/4" wide, with sling straps of the same material, ¾" wide. The buckle and mounting are gold plated with the buckle 2" in diameter.
(b) The new shoulder sword sling consists of white cotton webbing with sliding shoulder pad, an adjusting buckle, and a sword attaching ring. The sling is worn beneath the coat, over the right shoulder extending across the torso, or over left shoulder, with the ring attachment over the top of the left hipbone, at a point where the sword slit is located in the coat. The sling is worn so that the ring attachment protrudes through the sword slit of the coat, but the white webbing is not visible from the outside.

(2) Sword Knot. This article consists of a loop of 1/2" gold lace, 24" long with slide and tassel. The Navy sword knot is the only authorized knot for the PHS sword. [Note: Past instructions for attaching the sword knot were based on the Navy sword which has a slot in the top of sword handle near the pommel through which to pass the knot lace]. The PHS sword does not have a slot in the handle, so the sword knot cannot be attached to the PHS sword in the same manner as the Navy sword. The following illustrations show a comparison between the handle of the PHS and Navy sword showing the slit in the handle of the Navy sword.

(a) Preparing the Sword Knot for the PHS Sword. While holding the blade handle to the left create a loop in the end of the lace with the loop going around the pommel of the hilt as illustrated below. When forming the initial loop of lace the suspended lengths should be somewhat disproportionate. (One end should be ¼" - ½" longer than the other.)
(b) After tightening the loop of lace around the pommel of the hilt, adjust the lace slide to keep the loop tightly in place as illustrated below:
(c) Take three or more additional turns of the lace around the handle starting the first turn from behind the handle. Upon completion, the lace should lie over the top of the handle and the knot should hang free as illustrated below:

9. HISTORICAL NOTES: This is the fifth issuance of this Instruction within the eCCIS and replaces CCI 421.02, "Uniforms for Female Officers," dated 15 December 2015.

9-1. CCI 421.02, “Uniforms for Female Officers”, dated 15 December 2015.

9-2. CCI 421.02, “Uniforms for Female Officers”, dated 29 April 2014.


1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

- All Authorized Miniature Medals
- Coat, Blue Dinner Dress Jacket
- Cufflinks, Gold
- Cummerbund, Gold
- Necktie, Black Dress
- Shirt, White, Formal
- Shoes, Service, Black
- Skirt, Blue Formal
- Studs, Gold
- Undergarments

2. PREScriBABLE ITEMS

- All-Weather Coat, Blue
- Gloves, White¹
- Overcoat, Blue
- PHS Sword and scabbard (O-4 and above)
- PHS Sword Belt, Black (O-4 and above)

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

- All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
- Badge(s), Identification/Skill (miniature)
- Cap, Alternative Combination, White (w/ outer garment only)
- Cape, Gold Lining
- Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond
- Handbag, Black Dress
- Hosiery, Flesh Tone
- Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
- Shirt, White Dress
- Shoes, Formal, Black
- Shoes, Formal, Black, Flat
- Skirt, Blue, Unbelted
- Slacks, Blue, Formal
- Slip
- T-Shirt, Nursing
- Umbrella, Black

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Official functions when civilians normally wear black tie. This is a prescribable winter uniform for O-4s and above, and optional for O-3s and below.

¹ Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

All Authorized Miniature Medals  
Coat, White Dinner Dress Jacket  
Cuff-links, Gold  
Cummerbund, Gold  
Necktie, Dress, Black  
Shirt, White, Formal  
Shoes, Service, Black  
Skirt, Blue Formal  
Studs, Gold  
Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Blue  
Gloves, White\(^1\)  
Overcoat, Blue  
PHS Sword and scabbard (O-4 and above)  
PHS Sword Belt, Black (O-4 and above)

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black  
Badge(s), Identification/Skill (miniature)  
Cap, Alternative Combination, White (w/ outer garment only)  
Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond  
Handbag, Black Dress  
Hosiery, Flesh tone  
Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)  
Shoes, Formal, Black  
Shoes, Formal, Black, Flat  
Skirt, Blue, Unbelted  
Slacks, Blue Formal  
Slip  
T-Shirt, Nursing  
Umbrella, Black

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Summertime official functions when civilians normally wear black tie. This is a prescribable summer uniform for O-4s and above, and optional for O-3s and below.

\(^1\) Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
Dinner Dress Uniforms (continued)

Dinner Dress Blue

1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

   All Authorized Miniature Medals
   Blue Service Dress
   Cap, Alternative Combination,
   Command Insignia (if authorized)
   Large Insignia (including HHS badge)
   Necktie, Black
   Shirt, White, Dress (with shoulder marks)
   Shoes, Service, Black
   Slacks, Blue, Unbelted
   Socks, Black
   Undergarments
   White Coat

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

   All-Weather Coat, Blue
   Gloves, White¹
   Overcoat, Blue

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

   All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
   Badge(s), Identification/Skill
   Cuff Links, Gold
   Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond
   Handbag, Black Dress
   Hosiery, Flesh Tone
   Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
   Shirt, White, Formal
   Shoes, Dress, Black
   Shoes, Formal, Black
   Shoes, Formal, Black, Flat
   Skirt, Blue Unbelted
   Slip
   Studs, Gold
   T-Shirt, Nursing
   Umbrella, Black

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

   Official functions when civilians normally wear black tie. This is a prescribable winter uniform.

¹ Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

   All Authorized Miniature Medals  
   Cap, Alternative Combination, White  
   Coat, Service Dress White (Choker)  
   Command Insignia (if authorized)  
   Large Insignia (including HHS badge)  
   Necktie, Black  
   Shirt, White, Dress (with shoulder marks)  
   Shoes, Service, White  
   Slacks, White, Unbelted  
   Socks, White  
   Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

   All-Weather Coat, Blue  
   Gloves, White

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

   All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black  
   Badge(s), Identification/Skill  
   Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond  
   Handbag, White, Dress  
   Hosiery Flesh Tone  
   Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)  
   Shoes, Dress, White  
   Skirt, White, Unbelted  
   Slip  
   T-Shirt, Nursing  
   Umbrella, Black  
   Undershirt, White

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

   Summer wear to official functions when civilians normally wear black tie. This is a prescribable summer uniform.

1 Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

All Authorized Large Medals/Ribbons  
Cap, Alternative Combination, White  
Coat, Service Dress, Blue  
Command Insignia (if authorized)  
Large Insignia (including HHS badge)  
Gloves, White¹  
Necktie, Black  
Shirt, White, Dress (with shoulder marks)  
Shoes, Service, Black  
Slacks, Blue, Unbelted  
Socks, Black  
Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Blue  
Overcoat, Blue  
PHS Sword and scabbard (O-4 and above)  
PHS Sword Belt, Black (O-4 and above)  
PHS Ceremonial Buckle, Gold (O-4 and above)  
Undershirt, White

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black  
Badge(s), Identification/Skill  
Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond  
Handbag, Black  
Hosiery, Flesh Tone  
Scarf, White (w/outer garment only)  
Shoes, Dress, Black  
Skirt, Blue, Unbelted  
Slip  
T-Shirt, Nursing  
Umbrella, Black

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Assuming or relinquishing command, or participating in the ceremony; occasions of state, ceremonies, and solemnities. The USPHS Commissioned Corps only authorizes the PHS Sword Belt and Ceremonial Buckle for wear when an officer wears a sword.

¹ Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. **REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS**

   - All Authorized Large Medals/Ribbons
   - Cap, Alternative Combination, White
   - Coat, Service Dress, White (Choker)
   - Command Insignia (if authorized)
   - Gloves, White¹
   - Large Insignia (including HHS badge)
   - Shoes, Service, White
   - Slacks, White, Unbelted
   - Socks, White
   - Undergarments

2. **PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS**

   - All-Weather Coat, Blue
   - PHS Sword and scabbard (O-4 and above)
   - PHS Sword Belt, Black (O-4 and above)
   - PHS Ceremonial Buckle, Gold (O-4 and above)
   - Undershirt, White

3. **OPTIONAL ITEMS**

   - All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
   - Badge(s), Identification/Skill
   - Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond
   - Handbag, White
   - Hosiery, Flesh Tone
   - Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
   - Shoes, Dress, White
   - Skirt, White, Unbelted
   - Slip
   - T-Shirt, Nursing
   - Umbrella, Black

4. **OCCASIONS FOR WEAR**

   Assuming or relinquishing command, or participating in the ceremony; occasions of state, ceremonies, and solemnities. The USPHS Commissioned Corps only authorizes the wear of the PHS Sword Belt and Ceremonial Buckle when the officer wears a sword.

¹ Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

All authorized ribbons (full ribbon rack)
Cap, Alternative Combination, White
Coat, Service Dress, Blue
Command Insignia (if authorized)
Large Insignia (including HHS badge)
Necktie, Black
PHS Name Tag
Shirt, White, Dress (with shoulder marks)
Shoes, Service, Black
Slacks, Blue, Unbelted
Socks, Black
Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Blue
Gloves, Black/White
Overcoat, Blue
Undershirt, White

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
Badge(s), Identification/Skill
Cap, Garrison, Black (w/o SDB Coat, only with Sweater or Windbreaker Jacket)
Cardigan, Army, Black (indoor only w/o SDB coat)
Ear Muffs (w/outer garment only)
Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond
Gloves, Black (w/ outer garment only)
Handbag, Black
Handbag, Black, Dress
Hosiery, Flesh tone
Jacket, Black Windbreaker (w/o SDB coat)
Parka, Foul Weather, Type II
Reefer
Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
Shirt, White, Dress, Short Sleeve
Shoes, Dress, Black
Skirt, Blue, Unbelted
Slip
Sweater, Black, Navy (w/o SDB coat only)
T-Shirt, Nursing
Umbrella, Black

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Year-round wear at all official functions or situations where formal dress, dinner dress, or full dress uniforms are not prescribed and male civilian equivalent dress is coat and tie. Officers must not
wear the Reefer, All-Weather Coat and/or the Overcoat (Bridge Coat) with only the white dress shirt. The Army cardigan must not be worn outdoors. When outdoors, the officer must wear the SDB coat, Navy Sweater, or Windbreaker jacket. The black garrison cap (BGC) must not be worn with the SDB Coat. Officers may only wear the BGC when wearing the Navy Sweater or Windbreaker Jacket outdoors.

Note: For purposes of uniformity, Department of Health and Human Services Operating Division (OPDIV) and Staff Division (STAFFDIV) Heads may prescribe that the officers under their jurisdiction wear the SDB uniform for ceremonial occasions, or for other appropriate circumstances on a specific day and for a specific reason. They may also require that female officers wear the slacks in lieu of the optional skirt, and oxford shoes in lieu of pumps. However, OPDIV/STAFFDIV Heads are not authorized to issue general or blanket directives concerning other uniforms.

1 Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

   All authorized ribbons (full ribbon rack)
   Cap, Alternative Combination, White
   Command Insignia (if authorized)
   Coat, Service Dress White (Choker)
   Large Insignia (including HHS Badge)
   PHS Name Tag
   Shoes, Service, White
   Slacks, White Unbelted
   Socks, White
   Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

   All-Weather Coat, Blue
   Gloves, White
   Undershirt, White

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

   All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
   Badge(s), Identification/Skill
   Ear Muffs (w/ outer garment only)
   Earrings, Gold Ball, Pearl or Diamond
   Handbag, White
   Handbag, White, Dress
   Hosiery, Flesh Tone
   Parka, Foul Weather, Type II
   Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
   Shoes, Dress, White
   Skirt, White, Unbelted
   Slip
   T-Shirt, Nursing
   Umbrella, Black

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

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

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1 Officers may wear or carry white gloves (when required) with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves when shaking hands.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Belt, White, w/ Gold Clip
Buckle, Gold
Cap, Alternative Combination, White
Command Insignia (if authorized)
Miniature insignia (if authorized)
PHS Name Tag
Ribbons (Full Ribbon Rack or Top 3)
Shirt, White, Summer
Shoes, Service, White
Shoulder Boards, Hard
Slacks, White, Belted
Socks, White
Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Blue
Cap, Ball, Command (as determined by LUA)
Undershirt, White

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
Badge(s), Identification/Skill
Cardigan, Army, Black (indoor only)
Ear Muffs (w/ outer garment only)
Earrings, Gold Ball
Handbag, White
Handbag, White, Dress
Hosiery, Flesh Tone
Jacket, Black, Windbreaker
Parka, Foul Weather, Type II
Reefer
Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
Shoes, Dress, White
Skirt, White, Belted
Slip
Sweater, Black, Navy
T-Shirt, Nursing
Umbrella, Black
Watch Cap (w/ outer garment only)

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Normal office work.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

Belt, Khaki, w/ Gold Clip
Buckle, Gold
Cap, Alternative Combination, Khaki
Collar Insignia
Command Insignia (if authorized)
Miniature insignia (if authorized)
PHS Name Tag
Ribbons (Full Ribbon Rack or Top 3)
Shirt, Service, Khaki
Shoes, Service, Black
Slacks, Service, Khaki, Belted
Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Blue
Cap, Ball, Command (as determined by LUA)
Cap, Garrison, Khaki
Overcoat, Blue

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
Badge(s), Identification/Skill
Cardigan, Army, Black (indoor only)
Earrings, Gold Ball
Gloves, Black (w/ outer garment only)
Handbag, Black
Handbag, Black, Dress
Handbag, Brown
Hosiery, Flesh Tone
Jacket, Black, Windbreaker
Parka, Foul Weather, Type II
Reefer
Scarf, White (w/ outer garment only)
Shirt, Khaki, Over-blouse
Shoes, Dress, Black
Shoes, Dress, Brown
Shoes, Safety, Black
Shoes, Service, Brown
Skirt, Service, Khaki, Belted
Slip
Socks, Black, or Khaki w/ Brown Shoes
Sweater, Black, Navy
T-Shirt, Nursing
Umbrella, Black
Watch Cap (w/ outer garment only)

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Worn year round for normal office work.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

- Belt, Khaki
- Buckle, Gold
- Cap, Garrison, Khaki
- Collar insignia
- Coveralls, Blue
- Name/USPHS tapes
- OIC Insignia (if authorized)
- Shoes, Safety, Black
- Socks, Black
- Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

- All-Weather Coat, Blue
- Overcoat, Blue
- Shoes, Service, Black

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

- All-Weather Coat, Double Breasted, Black
- Boots, Combat
- Cap, Ball, Command, Blue
- Cardigan, Army, Black (indoor only)
- Earrings, Gold Ball
- Gloves, Black (w/ outer garment only)
- Jacket, Black, Windbreaker
- Parka, Foul Weather, Type II
- Reefer
- Shoes, Dress, Brown (worn with Khaki socks only)
- Socks, Khaki (worn with Brown Dress Shoes only)
- Sweater
- T-Shirt, Nursing
- Watch Cap (w/ outer garment only)

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Worn when other uniforms would be unsafe or become unduly soiled. Officers only wear coveralls inside a correctional or detention prison, camp, institution, or medical facility behind the Sally-port, when serving jointly aboard a naval vessel, or when otherwise authorized by the SG or his/her designee. Officers may wear the coveralls when traveling directly to or from the facility or ship. Officers must not wear coveralls in public (i.e., shopping, conducting non-duty related business) or for wear other than detailed in this paragraph. Under no circumstance may officers wear coveralls in either an official or unofficial capacity outside of the confines of a military installation, correctional or detention facility, naval vessel, or other location specified by the SG or his/her designee.
1. REQUIRED BASIC UNIFORM COMPONENTS

- Belt, Basic Riggers
- Boots, Combat
- Cap, Ball, Command, Blue
- Embroidered Full Color PHS Collar insignia
- Embroidered Full Color Rank Insignia
- Embroidered Gold Name/USPHS tapes
- ODU Shirt, Blue
- ODU Trousers, Blue
- OIC Insignia (if authorized)
- PHS T-shirt, Blue
- Socks, Black
- Undergarments

2. PRESCRIBABLE ITEMS

- Boots, Safety, Black
- Hat, Sun (Boonie), Blue
- Parka, Foul Weather, Type II
- Trousers, Foul Weather, Type II

3. OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Belt, Black with subdued buckle
- Earmuffs (w/ outer garment only)
- Earrings, Gold Ball
- Embroidered FMRB patch
- Gloves, Black (w/ outer garment only)
- Liner, Polar Fleece, Blue
- Liner, Polar Fleece, Blue (Enhanced)
- Officer in charge (OIC), Metal, Miniature Badge
- ODU Utility Jacket
- PHS Unit Patch
- T-Shirt, Nursing
- Watch Cap (w/ outer garment only)

4. OCCASIONS FOR WEAR

Appropriate for when other uniforms would be unsafe or become unduly soiled.
NOTE: The item references are alphabetically listed following the illustrations.

BELT, SWORD, PHS

a. Description: The USPHS Commissioned Corps has authorized two sword belt types. The traditional sword belt is made of plain black grain leather or synthetic material presenting the same appearance, 1-3/4 inch wide, with sling straps of the same material, 3/4 inch wide. The new shoulder sword sling consists of white cotton webbing with sliding shoulder pad, an adjusting buckle, and a sword attaching ring. The sling is worn beneath the coat, over the right shoulder extending across the torso, or over left shoulder, with the ring attachment over the top of the left hipbone, at a point where the sword slit is located in the coat. The sling is worn so that the ring attachment protrudes through the sword slit of the coat, but the white webbing is not visible from the outside.

b. Correct Wear: Wear the sword belt under the coat. The short belt strap and lock swivels are passed through the coat opening on the left side and the longer strap hangs free. Hold the sword with the right hand and attach the back swivels to the scabbard rings. Twist the sword one half turn in a clockwise direction and suspend on the sword hook with the uppermost scabbard ring. The sword’s handle faces aft when properly worn. When an officer wears an overcoat with Full Dress Blue, the sword goes through the slit in the bridge coat and the lower loop goes through the back vent in the coat and the sword attached – same as Full Dress Blue. A sword is not worn with the All-Weather Coat.

BELT, RIGGERS, BASIC

a. Description: Belt is a 1 3/4” black nylon belt

b. Correct Wear: The tip end must extend 2-4 inches past the belt buckle on the wearer’s left. The basic riggers belt comes in one length and needs to be cut to size. Officers should singe the end to avoid unraveling.
BELT, WITH GOLD CLIP

a. **Description:** Plain cloth or webbing of the same color and material as the uniform, 1 inch wide for women, and fitted with a gold anodized clip. Officers may wear a cotton or nylon web belt with all uniforms. If a cloth belt is worn, the fabric must match the uniform.

b. **Correct Wear:** Wear the belt through all loops with the clip end to the left of the buckle prior to inserting the clip end into the buckle. Females wear the belt clip to the RIGHT of the buckle when worn.

BELT, WITH SUBDUED BUCKLE

a. **Description:** 1¼ inch wide web or woven elastic web belt of black color with a black clip.

b. **Correct Wear:** Wear the belt through all loops with the clip end to the left of the buckle prior to inserting the clip end into the buckle. Females wear belt with clip to the RIGHT of the buckle.

BOOTS, COMBAT

a. **Description:** Black leather boot or brushless black, with a plain or capped toe, the uppers 8-10 inches in height, and a black vulcanized rubber outer sole. Boots may be made of leather, leather and fabric (only black fabric is authorized, commonly called “jungle boots”) or black brushless suede. Boots with patent leather finish are not authorized. Inner steel toes and zipper closures are authorized as optional. The overall design and construction of the boots must make them durable, functional, and suitable for field wear. Black boot laces are required. Spider lacing or other non-standard lacing designs are not authorized.

b. **Correct Wear:** Lace from inside out through all eyelets and tie. Keep clean, polished, and in good repair. Spit shine is not required.
BOOTS, SAFETY, BLACK

a. Description: Leather boots, in lace style, plain toe with no decoration. Must have a hard box or safety toe and be water resistant. Outsoles are constructed from heat and flame resistant nitrile rubber. Chukka (non-lace) shoes are not authorized.

b. Correct Wear: Lace from inside out through all eyelets and tie. Keep clean, well blackened and in good repair.

BUCKLE

a. Description: An officer has the option of a either a plain, gold anodized Navy buckle or a gold, anodized buckle which is the same size as the plain Navy buckle, decorated with the USPHS Commissioned Corps miniature cover device or the ship buckle of a previous sea command/squadron (as optional wear). The Corps does not authorize silver buckles.

b. Correct Wear: Wear the buckle so that the belt clip end touches the RIGHT side of the buckle so that no material shows between the clip end and the underlying buckle. Align the left side of the buckle with the opening of the shirt forming a straight line. Officers may not wear a decorated buckle when a buckle is required with either a ceremonial or formal uniform.

BUCKLE, CEREMONIAL, PHS

a. Description: The buckle and mounting are gold plated with the buckle 2 inches in diameter.

b. Correct wear: Centered on the wearer on the PHS Sword Belt.
CAP, BALL, COMMAND, BLUE

a. Description: The command ball cap is a conventional baseball cap style made of 100 percent polyester, polyester/cotton, or a polyester/wool blend of the USCG specified color and weight. “U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE” must be embroidered using ½-inch-high letters in an arch across the top of the front panel. Centered under “U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE” is the small, bright direct embroidered rank insignia. All lettering must be in upper case Arial (or equivalent) print. Visor ornamentation (in the style described for the combination cap visor in CCI 431.01, “Insignia and Devices”) is authorized for O-5 rank and above.

c. Correct Wear: Wear squarely on the head, with the bottom edge parallel to the ground and approximately 1½ inches above the eyebrows. When an officer wears the O-6 rank device insignia, the eagle will look to the wearer’s right.

CAP, ALTERNATIVE COMBINATION, WHITE, KHAKI

a. Description: A military cap with black visor, rigid standing front, flaring circular rim and black cap band worn with detachable khaki or white cap cover. When wearing the all-weather coat, officers may wear the clear plastic combination cap rain cover. The Alternative Combination Cover is similar to the standard male Combination Cover except the crown of the cover is not as wide. For visor ornamentation and cap device insignia, see CCI 431.01, “Insignia and Devices.”

b. Correct Wear: Officers must wear the cap squarely on the head, with the bottom edge parallel to the ground and approximately 1½ inches above the eyebrows. Officers must wear the cap so hair does not show on the forehead. The Corps has authorized the cap for wear with the Dinner Dress Blue Jacket, or Dinner Dress White Jacket uniforms only when the outer garment is worn.

CAP, GARRISON, BLACK or KHAKI

a. Description: Made of material matching the uniform with which it is worn. The black garrison cap is only for wear with the SDB without the SDB coat and with the Navy Sweater or Windbreaker Jacket. There is no gold piping on either cover. For cap insignia placement see CCI 431.01, “Insignia and Devices.”

b. Correct Wear: Wear the cap squarely on the head, with fore and aft crease centered vertically between the eyebrows. The lowest point of the cap is approximately 1 inch above the eyebrows. Hair is not visible below the front of the cover. The material of the cap must match the material of the uniform. When stowed on the hip, the garrison cap will be placed under the belt in front of the belt loop on either side pant pocket. If the officer wears the
cap on the right side, the miniature rank device will be visible. If the officer wears the cap on the left side, the miniature cap device will be visible.

CAP, KNIT (WATCH), BLACK

a. Description: Made of plain non-decorated or design as utilized by the U.S. Navy, closely knitted, bell shaped, pullover style, 11 to 12 inches long, 8-1/4 inches wide at bottom, with 5/8 inch border.

b. Correct wear: The watch cap will be double folded approximately 2-1/2 inches - 3 inches, and worn diagonally from the base of the back of the head, across the ears and on the forehead. The Corps does not authorize the wearing of rank insignia, commercial designs, or logos on the watch cap. The watch cap is worn only with an outer garment in foul weather.

CARDIGAN, ARMY, BLACK

a. Description: Black Army cardigan sweater, in light (acrylic) weave, with fabric epaulets, shoulder and elbow patches. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize the wearing of metal badges, black leather name patches, or plastic name tags on the sweater.

b. Correct wear: The USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes this sweater for daily wear and for attending working level meetings/briefings, but not for wear outdoors. Officers must wear soft shoulder marks on the epaulets and button all buttons. Officers will wear the shirt collar inside the sweater when wearing a tie and outside the sweater when not wearing a tie. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize sleeves to be rolled or pushed up beyond the wrist area.

COAT, BLACK, DOUBLE BREASTED, ALL-WEATHER

a. Description: A black, double breasted, polyester/cotton (65/35 blend) material with seven button closures, a belt, convertible collar that buttons at the neck, gun flap, shoulder loops, adjustable sleeve straps, welt pockets with two inside hanging pockets, and zip-out liner. The back of the coat has a yoke and center vent. The coat is one-quarter lined with basic material and the sleeve lining is nylon taffeta.

b. Correct wear: Authorized as an option item with all uniforms except the ODU. Officers may wear the coat with or without the liner. The coat must be buttoned and belted, except at the neck closure, which may be closed during inclement weather. Officers must wear full size bright metal rank insignia on each epaulet, centered from side to side from the bottom edge of the device to ¾” from the edge of the epaulet.
COAT, ALL-WEATHER, BLUE

a. Description: A single-breasted, belt-less, water repellent coat made of navy blue, 65 percent/35 percent polyester/cotton poplin material with epaulets, tabbed at cuffs, and zip-out lining.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons except the collar button. Collar button may be buttoned in inclement weather. Officers must wear full-size bright rank insignia on epaulets. Officers who wear the All-Weather Coat may also wear the clear, plastic, combination cap rain cover. Officers must wear full-size bright rank insignia on epaulets.

COAT, BLUE, SERVICE DRESS

a. Description: A single-breasted coat made of navy blue, authorized material, with one welt left breast pocket, and four 35-line gilt PHS buttons on the left front. Gold sleeve stripes and USPHS Commissioned Corps device sleeve insignia are on each sleeve. Officer’s coat has a sword slit over the left hip. Officers may wear the coat with two breast pocket flaps, even though it is no longer manufactured, as long as it is serviceable.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. Officers may remove coat in immediate office space only.

COAT, WHITE, SERVICE DRESS (CHOKER)

a. Description: The female coat is a single-breasted design with princess seams to allow for improved fit as well as alteration. It is fully lined, has a standing collar, and six 35-line gilt
PHS buttons on the left front. The fabric is Certified Navy Twill (CNT) polyester. It also features a collar with hook and loop fastener tape with a lined tab against the neck, zippered sword slit over the left hip of the wearer, two internal lower front welt pockets, a hanger loop in back of the neck and loops for officer shoulder boards. The female choker coat does not include front breast pockets, pocket flaps, or pocket flap buttons.

b. Correct Wear: Wear squarely on the shoulders, button all buttons and fasten the collar. Hard shoulder boards on the shoulder. Breast insignia and accoutrements will be worn in the same manner as prescribed in CCI512.01, “Wear of Awards and Badges.” Ribbons and medals will be placed and worn in the same relative location and manner as when worn on the Service Dress Blue uniform (medals and ribbons) and the khaki overblouse (ribbons and name tag). The holding bar of the lowest row of medals and bottom row of ribbons should align approximately with the middle of the second button from the top of the coat. The Service Dress White (SDW) Choker Coat may be worn with all basic, prescribable, and optional components, except for the dress shirt and neck tie currently authorized for wear with the single-breasted SDW coat with lapels.

**COVERALLS - NAVY**
a. Description: Made of Navy blue poly/cotton fabric with zippered front, buttoned long sleeves, belt loops, and two side pockets and two back pockets.

b. Correct Wear: Close front zipper all the way, button sleeves and wear a khaki belt through all loops. Coveralls should hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Coveralls should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustments. Embroidered tapes (i.e., Name (gold thread), USPHS (gold thread), breast/skill badge(s) if authorized, and rank and USPHS Commissioned Corps device insignia) are required. Officers may wear present command crest/logo patch optionally, centered on the right breast pocket. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize embroidery directly to the coverall material. Sleeves may be rolled up at the option of LUA. When authorized, officers will roll sleeves with the inside out, forming a roll approximately 3 inches wide and terminating at a point approximately 2 inches above the elbow. Females wear the khaki belt with gold tip to the RIGHT of the buckle. The buckle is centered on the zipper flap. When officers are authorized to wear a decorated buckle, which is larger than the standard PHS buckles, officers will wear it centered with the clip end concealed. A khaki garrison cap or command ball cap may be worn. Officers are only to wear coveralls inside a correctional or detention prison, camp, institution, or medical facility behind the Sally-port, when serving jointly aboard a naval vessel, when traveling directly to or from a listed facility, or when otherwise authorized by the SG or his/her designee.

Officers must not wear coveralls in public (i.e., shopping, conducting non-duty related business).

COVERALLS, IMPROVED FLAME RESISTANT VARIANT (IFRV).

a. Description: The IFRV coveralls are constructed using a tri-fiber blend flame resistant fabric, making them an appropriate substitute for damage control and electrical engineering coveralls. The IFRV will be issued as organizational clothing and are not intended for use ashore.

b. Correct Wear. The manner of wear will be the same as for Navy Coveralls with exceptions as follows. The NUA or LUA has the discretion to authorize the wear of the embossed leather name tag or develop a fabric embroidered unit specific name tag similar to those worn on green Nomex flight jackets. Name tags must be Velcro backed and be worn 1/4" centered above the left breast pocket. Nametags must be similar in size, shape and content to the V-neck sweater name tag. The USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes units to procure name tags for use on the IFRV. Rank tabs and insignia may be sewn or pinned on based on the wearer’s duties and unit preference. Officers will wear the IFRV coverall with a khaki cotton web belt. Riggers belts are authorized at NUA or LUA discretion. Blue command ball caps are authorized for wear with the IFRV. Blue undershirts will be authorized. Footwear remains in accordance with Navy Coverall guidance. Wear of organizational or issued outerwear is authorized at NUA or LUA discretion. Officers must not attach unit patches or the U.S. flag to the IFRV as these potentially degrade the coverall's fire retardant properties.
Occasion for wear. The IFRV coverall normally is limited to an underway uniform (i.e. from stationing and securing the sea and anchor detail/maneuvering watch when leaving and entering port respectively). The NUA or LUA can authorize the wear of IFRV coveralls ashore or in-port when officers are expected to operate in environments that place an excessive amount of wear on working uniforms or expose the officer to conditions necessitating flame resistance/arc-flash protection. This policy does not alleviate the duty station’s or command’s responsibility to procure coveralls for work in areas that are likely to permanently soil or prematurely destroy the uniform. The USPHS Commissioned Corps has approved the IFRV for all general shipboard uses.

CUMMERBUND, GOLD

a. Description: An adjustable plain gold, pleated cummerbund that fastens in the back. Authorized with Dinner Dress uniforms.

b. Correct Wear: Wear with pleats up, around the waist overlapping the skirt / slacks top at least 1 inch.

EAR MUFFS

a. Description: Plain, black cloth earmuffs with black elastic retainer.

b. Correct Wear: Worn over both ears with the elastic band extended across the back of the head underneath the cap/cover.

EARRINGS

a. Description: 4mm-6mm (approximately 1/8 - 1/4 inch), white pearl, clear (non-colored) diamond or yellow gold ball, plain with shiny or brushed matte finish, screw-on or post type.
b. Correct Wear: Women may wear yellow gold ball earrings with all uniforms. White pearl or diamond earrings may only be worn with Dinner Dress or Service Dress Uniforms. Only one earring may be worn per ear, centered on the ear lobe.

GLOVES, BLACK / WHITE

a. Description: Black leather gloves are made of smooth leather or smooth synthetic leather. White gloves are made of authorized fabric, with plain stitching the same color as the basic glove material, either lined or unlined.

b. Correct Wear: Black gloves may only be worn when an outer garment is worn. Black gloves are worn and never carried. White gloves may (when required) be worn or carried with uniforms. Officers must remove gloves to shake hands, right hand first.

HANDBAGS, BLACK, BROWN, WHITE

a. Description: Women may wear civilian handbags while in uniform in the manner prescribed below. The handbag must be of plain black, brown, or white grain leather or synthetic leather, rectangular in shape and designed with a flap. The color of the handbag will match the color of the shoes worn. Dimensions must be between 5 ½ to 16 inches in width, 5½ to 14 inches in height, and 2 to 6 inches in depth. Exotic materials such as, but not limited to eel, alligator or ostrich skin are not authorized. The handbag must not have any visible ornamentation, decorative stitching, embossed design, or manufacturer’s logo. The closure hardware will be brass-plated or gold-colored. If the flap has a closure, it can have a magnetic or zipper closure. (No buckles or string ties are allowed.) The strap will be of the same material as the purse and have a gold-colored or black-colored buckle. Handbags may be procured from commercial sources, provided that above criteria is followed. The USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes civilian manufactures’ logos as long as they don’t exceed 2 square inches.

b. Correct Wear: Carry over the left shoulder or forearm, placing the top of the handbag at waist level

HANDBAGS, BLACK, WHITE, DRESS

a. Description: A small clutch-type black or white handbag. A collapsible inside handle is optional.
b. Correct Wear: Female officers are required to carry the dress handbag with dinner dress uniforms. May be carried with service uniforms.

HAT, SUN, BLUE (Boonie)

a. Description: ODU blue cover with flexible brim.

b. Correct wear: Full size bright metal rank insignia centered on front panel of hat. May be worn at discretion of OIC or LUA when part of a work detail or in a deployment situation. When an officer wears the O-6 rank insignia, the eagle will look to the wearer’s right.

HOSIERY

a. Description:

(1) SOCKS: Navy blue, khaki, or white socks, ribbed or plain, made of cotton or a blend of fibers, and undecorated. Knee-length or mid-calf socks are authorized. Khaki socks are only worn with Brown shoes as an optional component of the Service Khaki. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize socks for wear with skirt and/or dress shoes.

(2) HOSIERY: Nylon of flesh tone, beige or neutral shades, undecorated and seamless (may be pantyhose).

b. Correct Wear: Officers must wear this in such a manner that no bare part of the leg shows while sitting or walking. It must not have visible runs.

JACKET, DINNER DRESS BLUE

a. Description: A single-breasted, bolero style jacket made from blue, authorized material, with long sleeves and a narrow shawl collar of the same fabric as the coat. There are three 22 1/2-line gilt PHS buttons down each front, without front closure. Gold sleeve rank stripes and USPHS Commissioned Corps device sleeve insignia are on each sleeve.

JACKET, DINNER DRESS WHITE

a. Description: A single-breasted, bolero style coat made of plain white, lightweight, authorized material, with long sleeves and a narrow shawl collar of the same fabric as the coat. There are three 22 1/2-line gilt PHS buttons down each front, without front closure. Gold sleeve stripes and USPHS Commissioned Corps device sleeve insignia are on each sleeve.


JACKET, ODU UTILITY

a. Description: Made of Polartec® Power Shield® material, it zips in and out of parka. It must have the same material, color, and military specifications as the parka as determined by the USCG.

b. Correct Wear: May be worn with the parka or as a standalone outer garment. When worn alone, all zippers will be zipped. Sleeves must reach about 3/4 of distance from the wrist to the knuckles when arms hang naturally at side. The main zipper must be at least ¾ of the way closed, and officers must never wear the jacket open/unzipped. It may only be worn with ODUs. Officers must wear a slide-on embroidered rank insignia or bright full-sized metal rank insignia centered on the front tab. When an officer wears the O-6 rank insignia, the eagle will look to the wearer’s right.

JACKET, WINDBREAKER BLACK, RELAX FIT

a. Description:
(1) A black jacket, 55/45 percent poly/wool with a stand-up knit collar and knit cuffs and bottom. Jacket is single-breasted with a zipper front closer, two inverted slant pockets, and shoulder epaulets.

NOTE: The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize the old-style blue cotton/poplin windbreaker without knit cuffs and bottom.

b. Correct Wear: Wear full-size rank device insignia on shoulder straps. Close the zipper at least three quarters of the way. Officers must wear the collar tab buttoned back when not in use. May be worn with liner. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize patches and nametags for wear on jackets.

LINER, BLUE, POLAR FLEECE

a. Description: Made of Polartec® fleece material, it zips in and out of the parka and also features a full zip-through collar and two zip-front welt pockets. Waist drawstrings have barrel locks. It must be of the same material, color, and military specifications as determined by the USCG.

b. Correct Wear: May be worn with the parka or as a standalone outer garment. When worn alone, all zippers will be zipped. Sleeves must reach about 3/4 of distance from the wrist to the knuckles when arms hang naturally at side. The main zipper must be at least ¾ of the way closed. Officers must not wear the liner open/unzipped. May only be worn with ODU/CGUs.

LINER, BLUE, POLAR FLEECE (ENHANCED)

a. Description: Made of Polartec® fleece material, it zips in and out of the parka and also features a full zip-through collar and no side pockets. Waist drawstrings have barrel locks. It must have the material, color, and military specifications as determined by the USCG.

b. Correct Wear: Officers can wear the liner with the parka or as a standalone outer garment. Sleeves must reach about 3/4 of distance from the wrist to the knuckles when arms hang naturally at side. The main zipper must be at least ¾ of the way closed, and officers must
not wear the liner open/unzipped. Officers must wear slide on embroidered rank insignia or bright full sized metal rank insignia centered on the front tab. Officers may only wear the liner with ODU/CGUs.

NECKTIE, BLACK

a. Description: A black, one-piece neck tab made of authorized fabric, with an adjustable neckband under the collar. It lies flat on the shirt in front at the collar opening.

b. Correct Wear: Officers should wear parallel to the outer edges of the collar. An equal amount of neck tab should show on each side of collar.

NECKTIE, BLACK DRESS

a. Description: A small, crescent shaped, black, velvet ribbon tapering to each edge from 1 inch width at center.

b. Correct Wear: Officers should wear under the collar with the front slightly above the top of the shirt collar closure.

OVERCOAT, BLUE (BRIDGE COAT)

a. Description: A double-breasted coat made of blue woolen fabric. May be water-repellent and fitted with a removable sleeveless liner. Extends 1/3 the distance from the kneecap to the ground, shaped at waist and held by a two section half-belt at back. The end of the belt overlaps and fastens with two 40-line gilt PHS buttons. It has a sword slit over the left hip, a vertical slash side pocket on each front, and a single row of five 40-line gilt PHS buttons down each forefront. The collar is made so that the coat may be buttoned to neck. There are two loops on each shoulder for hard shoulder boards. Females must wear male hard shoulder boards for proper wear on the shoulder loops.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons except the collar button. Officers may button the collar button in inclement weather. Wear hard shoulder boards.
PARKA, FOUL WEATHER, TYPE II

a. Description: Made of 100% nylon with a GORE-TEX® membrane. Waterproof, windproof and breathable GORE-TEX® fabric makes this garment contamination-resistant. Features two external cargo pockets, two hand warmer pockets, a storable hood, hidden map pocket, and elastic and Velcro® wrist closures.

b. Correct Wear: The USPHS Commissioned Corps requires slide-on embroidered rank insignia or bright full-sized metal rank insignia to be worn centered on the front tab. When an officer wears the O-6 rank insignia, the eagle will look to the wearer’s right. All zippers and/or fasteners must be closed. Officers will stow foul weather hoods when not in use. The main zipper must be zipped at least ¾ closed. Sleeves must to reach about ¾ of distance from the wrist to the knuckles when arms hang naturally at side. Officers must not wear the parka unzipped/open. May be worn with ODU/CGUs, Service Dress and Service Uniforms.

REEFER

a. Description: A double-breasted, hip length coat made of dark blue, regulation fabric with convertible collar. It has a set-in pocket in each forefront with a single row of three 35 or 40-line gilt PHS buttons on the right, and four 35 or 40-line gilt PHS buttons on the left to button the right side. Two loops on each shoulder hold shoulder boards.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons except the collar button. Officers may button the collar button (which is a 35 or 40-line gilt PHS button) in inclement weather. Wear hard shoulder boards.

Sleeves must reach about ¾ of the distance from the wrist to the knuckles when arms hang naturally at the side.
SCARF, WHITE

a. Description: Made of knitted or woven silk or synthetic material, of plain design.

SHIRT, KHAKI, OVERBLOUSE

a. Description: Made of authorized, khaki colored fabric, with short sleeves. The shirt has an open collar forming a V-neck. The material must match slacks or skirt material. The women’s shirt buttons to the left.
c. Correct Wear: The overblouse will be worn outside the slacks or skirt (untucked). Button all buttons. Shirt tails must not be visible when an officer wears it with a sweater, cardigan, or windbreaker jacket; if the length of the overblouse protrudes beneath the jacket or sweater, gently roll/tuck/fold the bottom of the overblouse up and under so that it will not be visible. The bottom of the name tag and bottom of the bottom row of ribbons must be centered from the arm sleeve seem to the shirt opening and worn parallel with the bottom of the first button.

SHIRT, KHAKI, SHORT SLEEVES

a. Description: Made of authorized, khaki colored fabric, CNT poly-wool with short sleeves, and two breast pockets with button flaps. The shirt has an open collar forming a V-neck. The material must match slacks or skirt material. The women’s shirt buttons to the left.
b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. When worn, it is tucked into service trousers/slacks.

SHIRT, BLUE, ODU

a. Description: Made of authorized material as specified by the USCG. The ODU untucked shirt has a concealed button front closure, two breast pockets with flaps with the left breast
pocket having a concealed pencil pocket opening. The shirt has long sleeves with reinforced extended elbow patches and adjustable cuffs at wrist with three buttons in the sleeve hem wrist closure adjustment.

b. Correct Wear: All buttons must be buttoned with exception of the very top button by lapels. Officers may button this top button during inclement weather but not indoors. Officers may wear the ODU shirt with sleeves down or rolled up. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize military creases. This is the same as the manner of wear by the USCG. The rolled sleeve width will be approximately 3 inches and centered on the mid-to-lower third of the upper arm with cuff (outside material) showing. Officers must not roll sleeves below the elbow. Officers may remove the ODU shirt in the duty station, due to extreme weather conditions or at the discretion of the LUA.

SHIRT, WHITE DRESS

a. Description: Made of plain white authorized fabric, long sleeves with plain buttons, and epaulets. Center front covered button placket, and one-piece front. Collar points measure no more than 3¼ inches with a medium spread.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons Wear appropriate soft shoulder boards on the epaulets. Neck tie must also be worn. Officers must not wear collar devices, ribbons, or name tags with this shirt. Long sleeves must be worn for inspections and ceremonies.

SHIRT, WHITE FORMAL

a. Description: Plain white formal dress shirt with tuxedo pleats and French cuffs. The USPHS Commissioned Corps requires plain gold shirt studs and cuff links for dinner dress jacket uniforms. Officers must not wear collar devices, ribbons, or name tags with this shirt.

b. Correct Wear: Wear with all studs, buttons, and cuff links fastened. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize sleeves to be rolled or pushed up.
SHIRT, WHITE, SUMMER

a. Description: Made of plain white authorized material, short sleeves with epaulettes for hard shoulder boards, two breast pockets with button flaps, and an open collar forming a V-neck. Collar points measure no longer then 3-1/4 inches and have a medium spread.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons. Wear with hard shoulder boards. The material should match that of the white slacks or skirt.

SHOES, DRESS (BLACK/BROWN/WHITE)

a. Description: Plain black, brown, or white dress pumps made of smooth leather or synthetic leather, with closed heels and rounded toes. Heels must be no higher than 2-5/8 inches nor less than 5/8 inch measured from the forward edge, and no wider than 1¾ inches at the base. The sole must be no thicker than 1/4 inch. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize wedge heels.

b. Correct Wear: Keep clean, polished, and in good repair. Navy-certified brown leather dress pumps are optional wear with khaki uniforms.

SHOES, FLATS

a. Description. Flats will be slip-on and plain without ornamentation, designs, or decorative stitching, with a rounded and closed toe and closed heel. They will be constructed of full grain, dress shoe leather, or a poromeric or synthetic material with a leather appearance in black, Navy-certified brown, or white. The outsole and heel must be black for black and
brown shoes, and white for white shoes. The outsole will be made of non-marking rubber with a traction design and have a heel between one-quarter and one-half inches.

b. Correct Wear: Keep clean, polished, and in good repair. Navy-certified brown leather flats are optional wear with khaki uniforms.

SHOES, FORMAL, FLAT, BLACK

a. Description: Plain black formal dress flat shoes with closed heels and toes made of suede, silk, or peau de soie.

b. Correct Wear: Keep clean and in good repair. Worn only with Dinner Dress Uniforms.

SHOES, SERVICE (BLACK/BROWN/WHITE)

a. Description: Plain oxford style, low quarter, lace shoe made of smooth leather or synthetic leather with rounded toe. The heel must be an outside heel 5/8 inch to 1 inch high, and the sole must be 3/16 inch to 3/8 inch thick. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize wedge heels.

b. Correct Wear: Lace from inside out through all eyelets and tie. Keep clean, polished, and in good repair. Navy-certified brown leather shoes and khaki socks are optional wear with khaki uniforms.

SKIRT, BLUE, FORMAL

a. Description: A plain, blue, floor length, six gored skirt made of an authorized fabric, with optional slit(s) on either side no higher than mid-calf.

b. Correct Wear: Wear zipper on the left side.
SKIRT, BLUE, UNBELTED

a. Description: A plain six-gored skirt made of an authorized fabric, with waistband pocket in upper right front. The welt pocket style may be worn as long as serviceable. Skirt matches the coat in color and material.

b. Correct Wear: Length may range from 1½ inches above to 1½ inches below the crease behind the knee. The zipper is on the left.

SKIRT, KHAKI SERVICE, BELTED

a. Description: A plain, khaki, belted skirt made of an authorized material (CNT or polyester/wool). Khaki skirt fabric must match the fabric of khaki shirt.

b. Correct Wear: Length may range from 1½ inches above to 1½ inches below the crease behind the knee. Wear the zipper centered in the back and a belt through all loops.

SKIRT, WHITE, BELTED

a. Description: A plain, white, belted skirt made of an authorized fabric with a full lining with two welt pockets in upper front and a zipper in the back. The skirt and shirt fabrics must match.

b. Correct Wear: Length may range from 1½ inches above to 1½ inches below the crease behind the knee. Wear with the zipper centered in the back and a belt through all loops.
SKIRT, WHITE, UNBELTED

a. Description: A plain six-gored skirt made of an authorized fabric, with waistband pocket in upper right front. The welt pocket style may be worn as long as serviceable. Skirt matches the coat in color and material.

b. Correct Wear: Length may range from 1½ inches above to 1½ inches below the crease behind the knee, with the zipper on the left.

SLACKS, BLUE, FORMAL

a. Description: Made of a plain, authorized blue fabric with high waist, straight legs, fore and aft creases, and left side zipper.

b. Correct Wear: Button all buttons and close all fasteners. Slacks must hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Slacks should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustment.

SLACKS, BLUE, UNBELTED

a. Description: Made of a plain, authorized blue fabric with fore and aft creases, left side zipper, and a waistband pocket in the upper right front. Fabric of slacks must match the Service Dress Blue coat material.

b. Correct Wear: Slacks must hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Slacks should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustment.
SLACKS, KHAKI SERVICE, BELTED

a. Description: Made of an authorized fabric (CNT or polyester/wool) with fore and aft creases, belt loops, zipper fly closure, two side pockets. May be straight legged or slightly flared. The shirt and slacks fabric must match.

b. Correct Wear: Slacks must hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Slacks should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustment. Wear a belt through all loops.

SLACKS, WHITE, SUMMER, BELTED

a. Description: Made of an authorized fabric with fore and aft creases, belt loops, zipper fly closure, two side pockets. Slacks must match shirt in color and material.

b. Correct Wear: Slacks must hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Slacks should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustment. Wear a belt through all loops.

SLACKS, WHITE, UNBELTED

a. Description: Made of a plain, authorized white fabric with fore and aft creases, left side zipper, and a waistband pocket in the upper right front. Fabric of slacks must match the Service Dress White coat material.

b. Correct Wear: Slacks must hang approximately 2 inches from the floor at the back of the shoe. Slacks should be tailored to include a 2 inch hem to provide material for adjustment.

SLIP

a. Description: May be full or half slip. Must be white or matching the wearer's skin tone when wearing white uniform components.
b. Correct Wear: Wear right side out with all unlined skirts. A slip is optional with lined skirts.

SOCKS, BLACK, WHITE, OR KHAKI

a. Description: Made of plain or ribbed undecorated, knitted material. The USPHS Commissioned Corps has authorized knee or mid-calf lengths.

b. Correct Wear: Wear pulled up so that no part of the leg shows while sitting or walking. Wear khaki socks with the brown dress shoe and white socks with white shoes.

STUDS, GOLD

a. Description: Plain without design or ornamentation. Studs are gold when worn with Dinner Dress uniforms.

b. Correct Wear: Wear fastened on the formal white shirt.

SWEATER, BLACK, NAVY

a. Description: Black V-neck style pullover sweater, in both light (acrylic) and heavy (wool) weaves, with fabric epaulets, shoulder and elbow patches. A Velcro® backed; black leather nametag (2"x4") is required. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize the wearing of metal badges or insignia on the sweater.

b. Correct Wear: The USPHS Commissioned Corps has authorized this sweater for daily wear to and from work, in public places, onboard a ship, on a base and station, and attending working level meetings/briefings. Officers wear soft shoulder marks on the epaulets. The officer wears the shirt collar inside the sweater when wearing a tie and outside the sweater when no tie is worn. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize sleeves to be rolled or pushed up beyond the wrist area.

T-SHIRT, BLUE, PHS

Description: Made of authorized material as specified by the USCG. The shirt will have a 3 or 4-inch diameter PHS seal (i.e., the “Public Health Service - 1789” seal) printed on the
upper, left breast of the shirt. The back of the shirt, vertically centered at about the mid-point of the shoulder blades, will contain the words “U.S. Public Health Service” on three lines in 2-inch high Arial font, with “U.S.” on the first line, “Public Health” on the second line, and “Service” on the third line. The PHS Seal and the letters on the back of the undershirt must be in the same yellow as the yellow quarantine flag when operating under non-tactical conditions.

In tactical situations, at the directive of the commander of a Joint Services operation or at the discretion of the LUA, officers may wear a plain, non-pocketed Navy blue t-shirt.

b. Correct Wear: Must be worn under ODU Shirt and tucked into ODU trousers.

T-SHIRT, UTILITY/WORKING, BLUE , ODU/CGU.

a. Description: Made of an authorized material as specified by the USCG. The NUA can authorize command/unit logos on t-shirts worn with all working/utility uniforms (ODUs, coveralls, and flight suits). Command/unit logos may be applied via heat transfer, silk screen, or embroidery to one-hundred percent cotton t-shirts that are navy blue, coyote brown, or black in color. Logos can be worn on the front and back of t-shirts if they are in good taste, enhance unit esprit de corps and reflect well upon the USPHS Commissioned Corps and the unit they represent.

In tactical situations, at the directive of the commander of a Joint Services operation or at the discretion of the LUA, a plain, non-pocketed Navy blue t-shirt may be worn.

b. Correct Wear: Must be worn under ODU Shirt and tucked into ODU trousers. When worn with uniform trousers only, the t-shirt will remain tucked-in.

Logo placement is as follows:

(1) The front logo will be placed on the left side of the shirt (above the wearer’s breast) and will be no larger than 3 inches in height and width.

(2) The logo on the back of the t-shirt will be centered and may encompass the entire back.

(3) Logo colors will be conservative, non-reflective, and not be visible under the ODU shirt, coveralls, or flight suit.

The USPHS Commissioned Corps authorizes T-shirts worn with working/utility uniforms with command logos for wear as civilian clothing at NUA or LUA discretion.

TROUSERS, BLUE, ODU

a. Description: Made of authorized material as specified by the USCG. The ODU trousers have a button and concealed slide fastener fly, side tab adjustments on the waistband, two side hanging pockets, and two welt opening hip pockets, and two pleated cargo pockets.

b. Correct Wear: All buttons must be buttoned. Pant legs must be bloused over boots. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize tucking material into boots. The Name tape may be worn over the right rear pocket, flush with pocket. The USPHS Commissioned Corps does not authorize direct embroidery on blue trousers.

TROUSERS, FOUL WEATHER, TYPE II
Appendix A (continued)

a. Description: 100% nylon with a GORE-TEX® membrane that is contamination-resistant to diesel fuel, jet fuel, DEET, petroleum, oils, and lubricants. Features reinforced seat and knees, cargo pockets and pass-through pockets with VELCRO® brand closures, and zippered leg openings for easy donning and doffing.

b. Correct Wear: Worn over ODU trousers during outdoor activities. All buttons must be buttoned, closures closed, and zippers zipped. Black riggers or black belt with subdued buckle is required.

UMBRELLA, BLACK

a. Description: Plain, black, folding/collapsing type with a plain, black handle. It must be of conventional size and design when opened, and must fit into a briefcase when closed.

b. Correct Wear: The Umbrella, Black may be used during inclement weather with any uniform and should be carried in the left hand to permit saluting. Officers must fold the Umbrella when not using it.

UNDERGARMENTS

a. Description:

(1) BRASIERE: White or wearer’s skin tone when worn under white shirts. Otherwise, the color is wearer’s option.

(2) UNDERPANTS: White or wearer’s skin tone when worn under white skirt/slacks. Otherwise, the color is wearer’s option.

(3) SLIP: May be full or half slip. Worn only with skirts and must be white when worn under white uniform components.

(4) UNDERSHIRT: (optional when not a required uniform component) Made of white cotton or poly-cotton. May be sleeveless, V-neck, or crew neck.

b. Correct Wear: As stated in the individual item’s description. White or wearer’s skin tone undergarments without ornamentation or decoration must be worn when wearing white uniforms.
UTILITY, COAST GUARD (CGU)

a. Description: The CGU will come in 2 variants, a standard weight (similar to the current ODU) and a light weight, which is appropriate for hot or tropical climates. A mandatory phase-in date for the USPHS Commissioned Corps will be no later than 1 February 2023. The USCG will retain the “ODU Blue” CG-3362 blue color, however the physical design of the CGU will be changed:

(1) Mandarin collar;
(2) Service patches on the shoulders. (U.S. Flag and other);
(3) Additional pockets on sleeves;
(4) Rank removed from collar and placed on rank tab for easy replacement;
(5) Unisex cut;
(6) Better trouser adjustment tabs;
(7) Additional leg pockets;
(8) Self-blowing trousers; and.
(9) No embedded logo.

b. Correct Wear: Manner of wear will be similar to the ODU. Specifics of the CGU Shirt and Trousers will be updated closer to phase-in date (1 February 2023).
## Uniforms for Female Officers

### Appendix B

**Fabric Chart**

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55% Polyester/45% Wool Tropical, 9.0 oz.  
100% Wool Gabardine, 11.0 oz.  
100% Wool Serge, 12.0 oz.  
100% Wool Serge, 15.0 oz.  
100% Wool Tropical, 9.0 oz.  |
| Dinner Dress White Jacket (M and F)         | Jacket (Trousers, Skirt same as Dinner Dress Blue Jacket) | 100% Polyester/Certified Navy Twill, 6.7 oz.  
65% Polyester/35% Rayon Gabardine, 8.0 oz. |
| Full Dress Blue (M and F)                   | Coat, Trousers, Slacks, Skirt       | 55% Polyester/45% Wool Gabardine, 11.0 oz.  
55% Polyester/45% Wool Tropical, 9.0 oz.  
100% Wool Gabardine, 11.0 oz.  
100% Wool Serge, 12.0 oz.  
100% Wool Serge, 15.0 oz.  
100% Wool Tropical, 9.0 oz.  |
| Full Dress White (M)                        | Coat, Trousers                       | 100% Polyester, Certified Navy Twill, 6.7 oz.         |
| Full Dress White (F)                        | Coat, Slacks, Shirt, Skirt          | 100% Polyester, Certified Navy Twill, 6.7 oz.  
65% Polyester/35% Rayon Gabardine, 8.0 oz. |
| Service Khaki (M and F)                     | Shirt, Trousers, Slacks, Skirt, Belt, Cap | 100% Polyester, Certified Navy Twill, 6.7 oz.  
75% Polyester/25% Wool Tropical, 10 oz.  |
| Summer White (M and F)                      | Shirt, Trousers, Slacks, Skirt, Belt | 100% Polyester, Certified Navy Twill, 6.7 oz.         |
| Summer White T-shirt (M and F)              | Shirt                               | 65% Polyester/35% Cotton Poplin, 4.2 oz.             |
| Summer White Trousers (F)                   | Trousers, Slacks, Skirt             | 65% Polyester/35% Cotton Twill, 6.5 oz.              |
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Hilt, Pommel and Knuckle Bow - Reverse

Hilt, Pommel and Knuckle Row - Obverse
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PHS Sword with Sword Knot in Scabbard