

UTILITY UNIFORM - NYGD 1334.2

PREFACE

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- 1. Purpose.** To prescribe the authorized New York Guard utility uniform.
  - 2. Application**
    - a. This directive applies to active and retired New York Guard personnel.
    - b. This publication is directive in nature. These formats, and procedures will be followed, except when, in the judgment of the commander, exceptional circumstances dictate otherwise.
  - 3. Scope.** This directive prescribes New York Guard policy for proper wear and appearance of utility uniform and insignia, as worn by officers and enlisted personnel of the New York Guard, as well as by former soldiers.
  - 4. Basis.** SNY Military Law §17, §18, §74, §170 and §238.
  - 5. TAG-NY Approval.** Reviewed and approved by The Adjutant General.

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## CHAPTER I

### POLICY

#### **1-1. Purpose.**

This directive prescribes the authorization for wear, and composition for the NYG Utility Uniform. It also prescribes the awards, insignia, and accouterments authorized for wear on the uniform, and how these items are worn. General information is also provided on the authorized material and design.

#### **1-2. Explanation of abbreviations and terms.**

Abbreviations and special terms used in this directive are explained in the glossary.

#### **1-3. General.**

Only uniforms, accessories, and insignia prescribed in this directive will be worn by personnel in the NY Guard. No item governed by this directive will be altered in any way that changes the basic design or the intended concept of fit, including plating, smoothing, or removing detail features of metal items, or otherwise altering the color or appearance. All illustrations in this directive should coincide with the text. The written description will control any inconsistencies between the text and the illustration.

#### **1-4. Classification of service and utility uniforms.**

*a.* The male class A service uniform consists of the current Army service uniform coat and trousers (Not described in this document)

*b.* The male class B service uniform is the same as the current Army service uniform, except the service coat is not worn. (Not described in this document)

*c.* The female class A service uniform consists of the current Army service uniform coat and skirt or slacks. (Not described in this document)

*d.* The female class B service uniform is the same as the class A, except that the service coat is not worn. (Not described in this document)

*e.* Class C uniform is in an Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP), Scorpion 2, and hereinafter referred to as the NYG Utility Uniform.

#### **1-5. Personal appearance policies.**

*a.* General. The NYG is a uniformed service where discipline is judged, in part, by the manner in which a soldier wears a prescribed uniform, as well as by the individual's personal appearance. Therefore, a neat and well-groomed appearance by all Soldiers is fundamental to the NYG and contributes to building the pride and esprit essential to an effective military force. A vital ingredient of the NYG's strength and military effectiveness is the pride and self-discipline that Soldiers bring through a conservative military image. It is the responsibility of commanders to ensure that military personnel under their command present a neat and soldierly appearance. Therefore, in the absence of specific procedures or guidelines, commanders must determine a Soldier's compliance with standards in this directive. Soldiers must take pride in their appearance at all times, in or out of uniform, on and off duty. Pride in appearance includes Soldiers' physical fitness and adherence to acceptable weight standards, in accordance with NYGD 1308.

*b.* Exceptions to appearance standards based on religious practices.

(1) Subject to temporary revocation because of health, safety, or mission requirements, the following applies to the wear of religious apparel, articles, or jewelry. The term “religious apparel” is defined as articles of clothing worn as part of the observance of the religious faith practiced by the soldier. Religious articles include, but are not limited to, medallions, small booklets, pictures, or copies of religious symbols or writing carried by the individual in wallets or pockets. Except as noted below, personnel may not wear religious items if they do not meet the standards of this directive, and requests for accommodation will not be entertained.

(a) Soldiers may wear religious apparel, articles, or jewelry with the uniform if they are neat, conservative, and discreet. “Neat conservative, and discreet” is defined as meeting the uniform criteria of this directive. In other words, when religious jewelry is worn, the uniform must meet the same standards of wear as if the religious jewelry were not worn. For example, a religious item worn on a chain may not be visible when worn with the field uniform. The width of chains worn with religious items should be approximately the same size as the width of the ID tag chain.

(b) Soldiers may not wear these items when doing so would interfere with the performance of their duties or present a safety concern. Soldiers may not be prohibited, however, from wearing religious apparel, articles, or jewelry meeting the criteria of this directive simply because they are religious in nature, if wear is permitted of similar items of a nonreligious nature. A specific example would be wearing a ring with a religious symbol. If the ring meets the uniform standards for jewelry and is not worn in a work area where rings are prohibited because of safety concerns, then wear is allowed and may not be prohibited simply because the ring bears a religious symbol.

(c) During a worship service, rite, or ritual, Soldiers may wear visible or apparent religious articles, symbols, jewelry, and apparel that do not meet normal uniform standards. Commanders, however, may place reasonable limits on the wear of non-subdued items of religious apparel during worship services, rites, or rituals conducted in the field for operational or safety reasons. When Soldiers in uniform wear visible religious articles on such occasions, they must ensure that these articles are not permanently affixed or appended to any prescribed article of the uniform.

(d) Chaplains may wear religious attire as described in this directive, in the performance of religious services and other official duties, as required. Commanders may not prohibit chaplains from wearing religious symbols that are part of the chaplain’s duty uniform.

(2) Soldiers may wear religious headgear while in uniform if the headgear meets the following criteria.

(a) It must be subdued in color (black, brown, green, dark or navy blue, or a combination of these colors).

(b) It must be of a style and size that can be completely covered by standard military headgear, and it cannot interfere with the proper wear or functioning of protective clothing or equipment.

(c) The headgear cannot bear any writing, symbols, or pictures.

(d) Personnel will not wear religious headgear in place of military headgear when military headgear is required (outdoors, or indoors when required for duties or ceremonies).

**1-6. Uniform appearance and fit.***a. Appearance.*

(1) All personnel will maintain a high standard of dress and appearance. Uniforms will fit properly; trousers, pants, or skirts should not fit tightly; and personnel must keep uniforms clean and serviceable. Soldiers must project a military image that leaves no doubt that they live by a common military standard and are responsible to military order and discipline. Soldiers will ensure that articles carried in pockets do not protrude from the pocket or present a bulky appearance.

(2) Wear of items on uniforms.

(a) When required and prescribed by the commander, Soldiers may attach keys or key chains to the uniform when performing duties such as charge of quarters, armorer, duty officer/NCO, or other duties as prescribed by the commander. Keys or key chains will be attached to the uniform on the belt, belt loops, or waistband.

(b) At the discretion of the commander, and when required in the performance of duties listed above, Soldiers may wear an electronic device on the belt, belt loops, or waistband of the uniform. Only one electronic device may be worn; it may be either a pager or a cell phone. The body of the device may not exceed 4x2x1 inches, and the device and carrying case must be black; no other colors are authorized. If security cords or chains are attached to the device, Soldiers will conceal the cord or chain from view. Other types of electronic devices are not authorized for wear on the uniform. If the commander issues and requires the use of other electronic devices in the performance of duties, the soldier will carry them in the hand, pocket, briefcase, purse, bag, or in some other carrying container.

(c) Soldiers will not wear keys, key chains, or electronic devices on the uniform when the commander determines such wear is inappropriate, such as in formation, or during parades or ceremonies. Soldiers will not wear items or devices on the uniform when not performing required duties.

(3) While in uniform, personnel will not place their hands in their pockets, except momentarily to place or retrieve objects. Soldiers will keep uniforms buttoned, zipped, and snapped. They will ensure metallic devices such as metal insignia, belt buckles, and belt tips are free of scratches and corrosion and are in proper luster or remain properly subdued, as applicable; and that all medals and ribbons are clean and not frayed. Personnel will NOT polish or shine the coyote boots. Soldiers will replace any insignia listed, when it becomes unserviceable or no longer conforms to standards.

(4) Soldiers may NOT add military creases to the NYG Utility Uniform coat. Personnel are not authorized to sew military creases into the uniform.

(5) Although some uniform items are made of wash-and-wear materials or are treated with a permanent-press finish, Soldiers may need to press these items to maintain a neat, military appearance. However, before pressing uniform items, Soldiers should read and comply with care instruction labels attached to the items. Soldiers may NOT starch the NYG Utility Uniform or press the uniform so as to create a crease. Commanders will not require Soldiers to starch these uniforms.

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## CHAPTER II

### RESPONSIBILITIES

**II-1. Commander New York Guard.** Consistent with controlling law and directive, the Commander has the authority to approve exceptions to this directive.

**II-2. Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1**

- a.* The DCS, G-1 will develop and monitor the following NYG policies:
  - (1) Standards of personal appearance.
  - (2) The standards for the wear of utility uniform and for the accessories, awards and decorations, accouterments, insignia, and other heraldic items worn with all authorized uniforms.
  
- b.* The DCS, G-1 will do the following:
  - (1) Function as a member of the Uniform Board
  - (2) Coordinate with the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4, as required in order to incorporate uniform changes or additions to this directive.

**II-3. Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4**

- a.* The Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4 (DCS, G-4) is responsible for the life-cycle management of clothing and individual equipment, in accordance with NYGD 1338.2.
  
- b.* The DCS, G-4 coordinates the Uniform Board meetings.

**II-4. Commanders of New York Guard.** Commanders of the NYG will;

- a.* Commanders of MACOMs may prescribe the uniform for wear in formations. When not prescribed by the installation or subordinate commander, the unit commander will prescribe the uniform for wear in formation. Commanders will not establish seasonal wear dates for uniforms.
  
- b.* Commanders will not require individuals to purchase optional uniform items. Likewise, they will not restrict or discourage them from wearing optional uniform items authorized by this directive, except in those instances where uniformity is required, such as parades or formations.
  
- c.* Commanders will conduct periodic inspections to ensure that all personnel under their command comply with the following:
  - (1) That Soldiers possess the minimum quantities of uniforms prescribed in this directive, and that the uniforms are properly fitted and in serviceable condition.
  - (2) That Soldiers wear only authorized insignia and awards, as prescribed in this directive.
  - (3) That Soldiers wear only uniform and heraldic items produced by certified manufacturers, and that they meet the specifications for quality and design.
  
- d.* Commanders may purchase heraldic items through local procurement procedures.



**II-5. Responsibilities of Soldiers purchasing uniforms, uniform items, and heraldic items**

*a.* Soldiers purchasing uniforms, uniform items, or heraldic items from establishments other than a military clothing sales store (MCSS) must ensure that the items are authorized for wear and that they conform to appropriate military specifications. Commercially purchased items that are authorized for wear in lieu of military-issue items must conform to the basic specification of the military-issue item, unless otherwise specified in this directive.

(1) All uniforms, uniform items, and heraldic items procured by the Defense Logistics Agency and sold in the MCSS are procured in accordance with appropriate military specifications and are authorized for wear. However, in those MCSS with multi-service support agreements, some items are sold that are authorized for wear by members of other services, but not by NYG personnel. Soldiers are responsible for verifying with their chain of command which items are authorized for wear by NYG personnel.

(2) Optional uniforms and other uniform clothing items sold in the MCSS, in post exchanges, or by commercial sources will contain a label, stamp, or certificate issued by the textile technology team at the Natick Soldier Center.

(3) All individuals purchasing uniform or insignia items from commercial sources must take care to ensure that the items conform to the requirements in II-5.a.(1-2), above.

*b.* All enlisted personnel will do the following:

(1) Maintain their clothing bag items and any supplemental clothing items they are issued.

(2) Ensure that their uniforms and insignia are worn in conformity with this directive.

*c.* All officers will procure and maintain the uniforms and accessories appropriate to their assigned duties. Appendix A lists the minimum quantities of uniforms and other items normally prescribed for all NYG members. Officers are responsible for ensuring that their uniforms and insignia conform to specifications in this directive.

### CHAPTER III

#### UTILITY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIFORM

##### III-1. Authorization for wear.

*a.* The Operational Camouflage Pattern, Scorpion 2, and hereinafter referred to as the NYG Utility Uniform is authorized for wear as of 23 February 2019. MultiCam pattern uniform items, although similar, are expressly **not** authorized for wear.

*b.* This directive identifies the components and required wear for the NYG Utility Uniform.

*c.* The Operational Camouflage Pattern, Scorpion 2, is a federal services uniform. Authorization for the NYG and federal regulations require identification as a State Force on the uniform. The N.Y. GUARD tape and State Flag meet this requirement and must be worn to meet the authorization requirements.

##### III-2. Wear out and transition guidance.

*a.* The universal camouflage pattern, also known as the Army Combat Uniform (ACU) will no longer be authorized for wear as of 23 February 2022.

(1) Operational Camouflage Pattern, Scorpion 2, items from the new NYG Utility Uniform are not authorized to be worn with the ACU jacket and trousers. This includes any patches made in the new OCP colors.

(2) New Army Combat Boots - (hot weather and temperate weather), made of coyote brown rough side out cattle hide leather with a plain toe and coyote brown rubber outsoles, are not authorized to be worn with the ACU pattern during this transition. Also not authorized for wear with the ACU is the Tan-499-Shirt and the Tan-499 belt.

(3) Universal Camouflage Pattern, also known as the Army Combat Uniform (ACU) items, specifically the sand boots, sand T-shirt and the sand belt, are authorized to be worn with the Operational Camouflage Pattern, Scorpion 2 jacket and trousers until 23 February 2022. TAKE NOTE – these items, the T-shirt, boots and belt, may be mixed with the exception of the boots, both of which must be the same color. Service Member may wear the sand items or the coyote items with the OCP, until the wear out date. See the chart III-1 for reference.

*b.* The Parka, cold weather, ACU pattern Parka, cold weather (Gortex), will no longer be authorized as of 23 February 2022. This is authorized for wear with the NYG Utility Uniform until wear-out date.

*c.* The Foliage Green fleece jacket, or ACU Fleece, will no longer be authorized as of 23 February 2022. This is authorized for wear with the new NYG Utility Uniform until wear-out date.

*d.* When wearing ACU pattern uniform items the authorized patches and tapes for the ACU uniform must be worn with such items.

### III-3. Composition and classification

a. Material composition of the NYG Utility Uniform.

(1) Coat. The coat is 50/50 nyc (nylon cotton) ripstop material, Sewn to Military Specification MIL-C-44296. The color and camouflage pattern is the Operational Camouflage Pattern, Scorpion 2, (OCP), hereinafter referred to as the NYG Utility Uniform. PLEASE TAKE NOTE – **MultiCam is not authorized for wear.**

(2) Trousers. The trousers have 50/50 nyc ( nylon cotton ) ripstop material, Sewn to Military Specification MIL-C-44436 (GL). The color and camouflage pattern is the Operational Camouflage Pattern, Scorpion 2 (OCP), hereinafter referred to as the NYG Utility Uniform. PLEASE TAKE NOTE – **MultiCam is not authorized for wear.**

b. Uniform composition.

(1) Coat, operational camouflage pattern, 2 Tilted Chest Pockets with Velcro Closures, 2 Tilted Shoulder Pockets with Zipper Closures, 1 2-Slot Pen Pocket on Bottom of Sleeve, Button Adjustable Cuff, Zippered Front Closure, Reinforced with Velcro, reinforced Elbows. Elbow Pouch with Velcro Closure for Internal Elbow Pad Insert are no longer authorized. Identification Friend or Foe Infrared tabs are authorized for wear on the NYG Utility Uniform.



Image III-1 Overall Uniform Composition

(2) Trousers, operational camouflage pattern, 2 Front Slash Pockets, 2 Rear Inset Pockets with Button Down Flaps, 2 Forward-Tilted Cargo Pockets for Easy Access with Button Closures, 2 Calf Storage Pockets with Button Closures, reinforced Knees, there is no Pouch with Velcro Closure for Internal Kneepad Inserts, Button Fly with no Drawstring Waist.

(3) Cap, U.S. Army patrol cap, Black. NSN 9701-01-123-3161

(a) General. The cap has a visor, a circular top crown, a side crown with an outside crown band, with or without earflaps. Ventilation eyelets are not required. Single-ply Construction with serged Inside Seam, durable Plastic Insert in Visor to Maintain Shape. Ripstop material may be Enhanced 50/50 NYCO (Propper) or 65/35 Poly/CO (Tru-Spec).

(b) Personnel wear the patrol cap straight on the head so that the cap band creates a straight line around the head, parallel to the ground. The patrol cap will fit snugly and comfortably around the largest part of the head without distortion or excessive gaps. The cap is worn so that no hair is visible on the forehead beneath the cap.

(a) Rank. Full color rank will be worn on the Patrol cap.



Image III-2 Patrol Cap



c. Accessories. The following accessories **MUST** be worn with the NYG Utility Uniform:

(1) Cap, U.S. Army patrol cap, Black.

(2) Boots. Army Combat Boots – (hot weather and temperate weather), or optional boots.

(a) Army Combat Boots - (hot weather and temperate weather), made of coyote rough side out cattle hide leather with a plain toe and tan rubber outsoles. The boots are laced diagonally with coyote laces, with the excess lace tucked into the top of the boot under the bloused trousers or wrapped around the top of the boot. Metal cleats and side tabs and sewn-in or laced-in zipper inserts are NOT authorized. A rubber outsole is the ONLY outsole material that currently meets the need for durability and traction on surfaces. Other materials (that may or may not be a lighter weight) may have significant problems in these areas. The ACU Tan color boot is authorized for wear during the transition period until 23 February 2022.

**AR 670-1 REQUIREMENTS FOR BOOTS**



Image III-3 Combat Boot

(b) Optional Boots. Soldiers may wear commercial boots of a design similar to that of the Army Combat Boot (Coyote), 8 to 10 inches in height. The boots must be made of tan rough side out cattle hide leather, with a plain toe, and have a tan, rubber outsole. Soldiers may purchase optional boots in lieu of the standard issue army combat boots (coyote) – hot weather and temperate weather, optional boots are not authorized for wear when the Command issues and prescribes standard organizational footwear for or environmental reasons (such as insulated boots or safety shoes). The ACU Tan color boot is authorized for wear during the transition period until 23 February 2022.

(3) Belt, tan-499 rigger. (see options in next paragraph)

(4) Boot Socks, green. (see options in next paragraph)

(5) Moisture-wicking T-Shirt, or 100% cotton (Tan-499) Developed by Awkatek also made by Jensen and several other vendors. 100% polyester or cotton construction.

(6) Undergarments.

d. Accessories. The following accessories are optional, and **MAY** be worn with the NYG Utility Uniform:

- (1) Boot Socks, Green. Socks, black, cushion sole are also authorized for wear.
- (2) Belt, two-inch rigger belt, nylon, 1 7/8" Wide. Tan-499 only. Belt, coyote web with open faced black buckle is also authorized for wear.
- (3) Parka, cold-weather, OCP camouflage (not MultiCam). The parka fabric is a triple-layer, laminated, waterproof, windproof, and moisture-vapor permeable nylon material. The garment repels water, but it is sufficiently porous to prevent moisture buildup from perspiration. The parka has a hood with an attachment piece that allows fastening of the fur ruff; inside map pockets that can be opened without unzipping the parka; two large lower cargo pockets, and a two-way, full-front slide fastener to provide full-face protection, leaving only the eyes uncovered. The parka is fully lined with a wind skirt. There are elastic draw cords with barrel locks at the waist, and a woven nylon tape draw cord with barrel locks at the hood. Nylon hook-and-pile fastener tapes are located at the wrist tabs to allow for adjustment along the full-front closure on the overlay of the slide fastener, on the wind skirt, and on the lower front pockets.

(a) Current ACU-UCP Camouflage cold weather parka jacket is authorized for wear until 23 February 2022.

(b) New operational camouflage pattern (OCP, not MultiCam) cold weather parka jacket is authorized when available.

(c) The rank tab insignia for the Parka, cold weather, camouflage (Gortex Jacket). Will match the jacket pattern, digitized universal camouflage pattern with black embroidery for the for the universal camouflage pattern-ACU, and digitized operational camouflage pattern (OCP) with black embroidery for the operational camouflage pattern.

(d) The name tape for the Parka, cold weather, camouflage (Gortex Jacket), will be the same for all NYG Uniforms, solid AF Gray with black embroidery for the ACU and solid black with silver embroidery for the for the operational camouflage pattern (OCP). Name tape will be sized and affixed to the left shoulder pocket flap.

(5) Trousers, cold weather, camouflage, (Gortex).

(a) Current Universal Camouflage Pattern-ACU cold weather trouser is authorized for wear until 23 February 2022.

(b) New operational camouflage pattern (OCP) cold weather trouser is authorized when available.

(6) Fleece, coyote brown (extended cold weather system – ECWCS). The foliage green fleece jacket may be worn with the gortex jacket or as an outer garment with the operational camouflage pattern until the wear out date of 23 February 2022. When worn as an exterior garment N.Y. GUARD tape, Name Tape and Rank must be on garment. The Black with Silver embroidery with hook fastener will be worn on the coyote brown jacket. The AF Gray with black embroidery with hook fastener will be worn on the foliage green jacket.

(7) Chaplain’s Apparel, while performing services.



Image III-4 Fleece Jacket

- (8) Gloves, (Black inserts with black leather shell, or any plain black leather glove with liner)
- (9) Handbags (females only, in garrison), Black
- (10) Scarves, black or coyote brown, to match jacket.
- (11) T-Shirt, tan-499 (cotton or moisture wicking).

(12) Organizational clothing and equipment, as determined by the Commander, such as medical items worn by medical personnel are authorized on a case-by-case or mission requirement.

(13) Personal Hydration Systems (PHS), as determined by the Commander. Until further notice any subdued color PHS (black, tan, olive green, woodland or universal camouflage pattern) is authorized for use.

*e.* Accessories. The following accessories are authorized as indicated for wear with the NYG Utility Uniform:

- (1) Operational Camouflage Pattern, Sun (boonie) Hat. **Not** authorized for wear.
- (2) Operational camouflage pattern, Patrol Cap. **Not** authorized for wear.
- (3) Army Combat Uniform (ACU) pattern, Patrol Cap. **Not** authorized for wear.
- (4) Black micro fleece cap or black knit cap. Authorized for wear when indicated by command authority for assigned missions.

**III-4. Insignia and accouterments.**

The following insignia and accouterments are required or authorized for wear on the utility uniform. The utility uniform will not be worn without the required accouterments.

*a.* **Required** Insignia and Accouterments. These items must be present on the uniform.

- (1) New York State full color Flag insignia, velcro or sewn on.
- (2) NYG Shoulder Sleeve Insignia, Bagby green (or foliage green during wear-out period) and black, velcro or sewn on.



Right Shoulder with  
NYS Flag Patch.  
SSI-FWTS worn below



Front of blouse with name tape,  
N.Y.GUARD tape and rank

**Image III-5 Insignia Locations**



Left Shoulder with  
NYG SSI.  
Tabs worn on top.

(3) Grade Insignia. Rank and Grade insignia will be black embroidery on the digitized operational camouflage pattern with hook fastener. Exceptions are Major and 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant which are bronze embroidery. The rank insignia for all grades through Colonel (O6) will be 2 inches by 2 inches with hook fastener.

(4) Name Tape. The Last Name Tape is a **1 inch wide, 5-inch-long** tape of Black with Silver embroidery, with the soldier's last name embroidered in block letters, 3/4-inch-high, Velcro or sewn on. For ACU, the tapes are a woven tape of Black cloth, 1 inch wide, with the "NAME" in Silver block letters, 3/4 inch high.



(5) N.Y. GUARD Tape. The N.Y. GUARD Tape is a **1 inch wide, 5-inch-long** tape of Black with Silver embroidery, with "N.Y. GUARD" embroidered in block letters, 3/4 inch high, Velcro or sewn on.



Image III-6 Name Tapes

For universal camouflage pattern-ACU the insignia is a woven tape of foliage-green cloth, 1 inch wide, with the inscription "N. Y. GUARD" in black block letters, 3/4 inch high.

(6) Headgear insignia. Patrol cap. All personnel wear full color grade insignia on the patrol cap in garrison and field environments; chaplains wear full color branch insignia. The sew-on version is authorized. The Last Name Tape, in Black cloth with Silver letters 3/4 inch high may optionally be attached to the patrol cap, either Velcro or sew on.

*b.* **Optional** Insignia and Accouterments. (Individually authorized)

(1) Combat and special skill badges (pin-on subdued) (optional). Embroidered sew-on badges may be worn on the NYG Utility Uniform in the appropriate pattern. Maximum of five (5) may be worn.

(2) Religious denomination insignia, Chaplains only, worn as a skill badge. Sew-on or hook fastener type is authorized.

(3) Former Wartime Service Shoulder Sleeve Insignia (SSI-FWTS) "Combat Patch", OCP and black, velcro or sewn on. The foliage green areas of the former shoulder sleeve insignia (SSI) have been changed to Bagby green. (Optional as authorized to individual). Foliage green SSI-FWTS's that do not have a Bagby green version are authorized for wear until new versions are available.

(4) Skill Tabs, Bagby green and black. Velcro is authorized. (Optional) foliage green skill tabs that do not have a Bagby green version are authorized for wear until new versions are available.

*c.* Insignia and Accouterments **NOT** authorized for wear.

(1) Branch Insignia is not worn on the NYG Utility Uniform. Chaplains will wear their branch insignia (pin or black embroidery on universal camouflage pattern fabric). This is worn in the location for skill badges above the N.Y. Guard tape.

(2) Foreign badges are not authorized for wear on uniform.



**III-5. Occasions for wear**

*a.* Soldiers MAY wear the NYG utility uniform (Class C) as follows,

- (1) Soldiers will wear the uniform on duty when prescribed by the commander.
- (2) Soldiers may wear NYG utility uniform off post unless prohibited by the commander.

*b.* Soldiers may NOT wear the NYG utility uniform (Class C) as follows,

(1) For commercial travel, unless authorized in written orders. Wear on local public transportation for travel to duty attendance purposes is authorized.

(2) In establishments that primarily sell alcohol. If the establishment sells alcohol and food, Soldiers may not wear utility uniforms if their activities in the establishment center on drinking alcohol only.

(3) On any federal government military installation, unless on mission/duty orders with that installation as their duty location.

*b.* Utility uniforms are not normally considered appropriate as individual wear for social or official functions off the installation, such as memorial services and funerals. These uniforms are issued for utility, field, training, or missions and are not intended for wear as all-purpose uniforms when other uniforms are more appropriate. Wear of the NYG utility uniform off post for a memorial service or parade while in unit formation and when prescribed by the commander would be appropriate.

**III-6. General wear guidelines.**

*a.* These uniforms are designed to fit loosely; alterations to make them fit tightly are NOT authorized. A tight fit reduces the airflow needed for ventilation and cooling. The only alteration authorized for the NYG Utility Uniform is limited to shortening the trouser length.

*b.* The coat is worn outside the trousers, and the trousers are worn with a belt. The coat will not extend below the top of the cargo pocket on the pants and will not be higher than the bottom of the side pocket on the pants. Commanders may authorize exceptions to this policy under conditions deemed appropriate in the interest of health, comfort, and efficiency because of climatic conditions, or to accommodate a soldier's religious practices.

*c.* Soldiers will wear the trousers bloused, using the draw cords or blousing rubbers, if the trousers are not tucked into the boots. Personnel will not wrap the trouser leg around the leg tightly enough to present a pegged appearance. Soldiers will not blouse the boots so that the trouser leg extends down to the ankle area. When bloused, the trousers should not extend below the third eyelet from the top of the boot. The sleeves of the coat are not authorized to be rolled up.

*d.* The uniform is NOT authorized to be starched or pressed with creases.

*e.* Soldiers may wear black leather gloves with utility uniforms without cold-weather outer garments. Personnel may wear the universal camouflage pattern-ACU cold-weather coat with utility uniform until wear out date. When the cold-weather coat or other authorized cold weather outer garments are worn, personnel may wear the olive-green scarf and black leather gloves but are not required to do so. Coats are worn buttoned and zipped, and the shirt collar is worn inside the cold-weather coat and other outer garments. Soldiers may wear the hood of the cold-weather coat at their option. However, when the hood is not worn, Soldiers will tuck it into the jacket and will zip the zipper. Female personnel may carry handbags with this uniform only while in a garrison environment.

*f.* Commanders may authorize the use of a personal hydration system only in the following situations: in a field environment, in high-heat areas or on work details. Soldiers will not carry hydration systems in a garrison environment unless the commander has authorized it for one of the situations described above. Soldiers will not let the drinking tube hang from their mouths when the device is not in use.

### Appendix A Clothing Bag List

#### A-1. Required clothing items.

Soldiers are required to possess the clothing items listed in table A-1, in the quantities shown. Soldiers may purchase and wear optional items authorized by this directive.

#### A-2. Approved optional items.

Items identified in the optional item column are authorized in lieu of the specification item.

#### A-3. Required insignia and accouterment items.

Soldiers are required to possess the insignia items listed in table A-2, in the quantities shown. Soldiers may purchase and wear optional items in italics authorized for wear by this directive.

**Table A-1  
Clothing bag list**

| ITEM   | QUAN REQD | OPTIONAL      | PERSONAL    |
|--|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| Belt, riggers, tan-499   | 1         |               |             |
| <i>Belt, web, sand, w/black tip and Buckle, belt, black</i>          |           | (to wear out) |             |
| Boots, combat, (Coyote brown rough side out, rubber sole)            | 1         | 1             |             |
| Coat, operational camouflage pattern,                                | 2         |               |             |
| <i>Coat, universal camouflage pattern-ACU, CW (field jacket) M65</i> |           | (to wear out) |             |
| Fleece jacket/liner, coyote brown, ECWCS                             |           | 1             |             |
| Glove inserts, cold, black   |           | 1             |             |
| Gloves, leather, black, unisex                                       |           | 1             |             |
| Cap, U.S. Army Patrol Cap style, Black                               | 1         |               |             |
| Parka, Cold Weather, operational camouflage pattern                  |           | 1             |             |
| <i>Parka, Cold Weather, universal camouflage pattern</i>             |           | (to wear out) |             |
| T-shirt (Tan-499)  | 7         |               |             |
| <i>T-Shirt (Sand)</i>  |           | (to wear out) |             |
| Socks, boot, green   | 7         |               |             |
| <i>Socks, tan, poly/nylon</i>  |           | (to wear out) |             |
| Trousers, operational camouflage pattern                             | 2         |               |             |
| Trousers, Cold Weather, operational camouflage pattern               |           | 1             |             |
| <i>Trousers, Cold Weather, universal camouflage pattern-ACU</i>      |           | (to wear out) |             |
| underwear  |           |               | As required |

**Table A-2  
INSIGNIA and ACCOUTERMENTS**

|                   | Required  |          |         |          |           |          | Optional     |            |          |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|--------------|------------|----------|
|                   | NAME TAPE | NY GUARD | NYG SSI | NYS FLAG | RANK hook | RANK pin | SKILL BADGES | SKILL TABS | SSI FWTS |
| Coat, camo        | 2         | 2        | 2       | 2        | 2         | 0        | 2 ea         | 2 ea       | 2        |
| Coat, camo, CW    | 1         | 1        | 1       | 1        | 0         | 2        | 0            | 0          | 1        |
| Parka CW (Gortex) | 1         | 0        | 0       | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0            | 0          | 0        |
| Fleece ECWCS      | 1         | 1        | 0       | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0            | 0          | 0        |
| Patrol Cap, Black | 0         | 0        | 0       | 0        | 0         | 1        | 0            | 0          | 0        |

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## GLOSSARY

### Section I Abbreviations

**ACU**

Army Combat Uniform. high-contrast image.

**BDU**

battle dress uniform. Come in temperate, hot weather, enhanced hot-weather, aviation, and desert versions.

**DUI**

distinctive unit insignia.

**ECWCS**

extended cold weather clothing system.

**MACOM**

major army command.

**OCIE**

organizational clothing and individual equipment.

**OD**

olive drab.

**OCP**

operational camouflage pattern

**OG**

olive green.

**SDF**

State Defense Forces. (eg. New York Guard)

**SSI**

shoulder sleeve insignia.

**SSI-FWTS**

shoulder sleeve insignia—former wartime service.

**UCP**

Universal Camouflage Pattern

**Section II**  
**Terms**

**Accouterment**

Items such as medals, ribbons, insignia, badges, emblems, tabs, and tapes authorized for wear on uniforms.

**Awards**

An all-inclusive term that consists of any decoration, medal, badge, ribbon, or appurtenance bestowed on an individual or unit.

**Badge**

An award given to an individual for identification purposes, or that is awarded for attaining a special skill or proficiency.

**Field uniforms**

Utility and organizational uniforms, excluding the hospital duty and food service uniforms, that are worn in field, training, or combat environments.

**Utility uniforms**

Uniforms normally worn in the field, during training, or while performing duties where it is not practical or appropriate to wear a service uniform. Utility uniforms in the US Army include the new OCP's, ACUs, temperate, hot weather, enhanced hot-weather, aviation, and desert BDUs, the maternity work uniform, and the cold-weather uniform.