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OF AIR FORCE PERSONNEL**

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This supplement implements AFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel*. Users must read this supplement in conjunction with implemented publications. It establishes Air Force ROTC (AFROTC) policy regarding the wear of Air Force uniform items and personal appearance standards of cadets, active duty, and attached personnel. Refer recommended changes and/or corrections to this publication to the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR) using the AF Form 847, *Recommendation for Change of Publication*, through your chain of command. Ensure that all records created as a result of processes prescribed in this publication are maintained in accordance with Air Force Manual (AFMAN) 33-363, *Management of Records*, and disposed of in accordance with the Air Force Records Information Management System (AFRIMS) Records Disposition Schedule (RDS) located at <https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-af61/afirms/afirms>. The provisions of this supplement apply to all AFROTC senior units, to include cadets.

1.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Detachments' Responsibilities.

1.4.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Detachments will not issue a uniform to a student until all application requirements are complete and the student is currently eligible or will be eligible (as can be reasonably ascertained) for the planned semester of membership.

1.4.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Special students, non-US citizens, and pursuing students will not be issued a cadet uniform until authorized by the detachment commander to participate in Leadership Laboratory (LLAB) and/or Physical Training (PT). This authorization will be specifically documented on the AFROTC Form 16, *Officer Candidate Counseling Record*.

3.3. (Added) (AFROTC) General Cadet Uniform Wear. Cadets will wear an authorized military uniform for at least one full day per school week, regardless of length of school week,

during their attendance at LLAB periods, and for Practical Military Training (PMT) as directed by the detachment commander. Wear of the uniform for AFROTC academic classes on other school days is at the detachment commander's discretion.

3.3.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Uniform Wear Off Campus. Uniform wear in off-campus facilities should be comparable to that of clothing worn by civilians in the establishment. Cadets may wear ABU/BDUs or the FDUs off-campus to dine in local establishments frequented by civilian workers wearing work clothing comparable to ABU/BDUs or FDUs, regardless of whether or not the establishment offers waiter and waitress service. Cadets are cautioned to select a dining establishment that satisfies these criteria. If the dress code of the establishment, whether written or unwritten, is of more formal dress, ABU/BDUs or FDUs will not be worn in the establishment. Cadets will not wear these uniforms to off-campus establishments to do extended shopping, dining, socializing or to take part in any form of entertainment. However, short convenience stops are authorized in ABU/BDUs or FDUs. These uniforms will not be worn in establishments where the primary function is to sell and serve alcohol, except on military installations. Detachment commanders may set a more specific policy on specific local establishments acceptable for ABU/BDUs or FDU wear.

3.3.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Uniform of the Day and Leadership Laboratory (LLAB). The service uniform is the primary uniform of the day for most AFROTC. The service uniform must be worn at LLAB at least once per month.

3.3.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Military Institutions. At institutions classified as Senior Military Colleges (SMC) where distinctive types of uniforms are required, AFROTC cadets will wear the uniform prescribed in institutional directives. Special attention must be paid to ensuring cadets at these institutions are trained on proper wear of the Air Force uniform prior to participation in Field Training (FT) and commissioning.

3.3.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Field Training (FT) Uniforms. FT uniform requirements differ slightly from detachment requirements. FT uniform requirements can be found in the Field Training Manual. See the Field Training Uniform and Equipment Checklist for specific FT uniform requirements.

3.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Air Travel.

3.4.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Military Aircraft. Cadets will wear ABU/BDUs or FDUs while traveling aboard military aircraft between military installations. Detachment commanders may authorize wear of civilian clothes if uniforms have not been issued.

3.4.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Commercial Aircraft. Cadets will not wear the AFROTC uniform while traveling aboard commercial aircraft unless specifically directed via ARMs message to do so (i.e., for Field Training).

3.5. (Added) (AFROTC) Unauthorized Uniform Wear. The AFROTC uniform will not be worn to any establishment or while participating in any activity that may bring discredit upon the USAF or AFROTC. Detachment commanders will restrict uniform wear by any cadet who does not meet AFROTC weight or body fat standards or when any cadet does not portray a proper military image while in uniform.

3.6. (Added) (AFROTC) Authorized Uniform Items. Uniform items not listed in this instruction but authorized for wear per AFI 36-2903 may be authorized for cadets if purchased at their own expense. However, detachment cadre should not encourage or discourage cadets to use personal funds to purchase items not covered in this instruction. Cadets must ensure they are wearing the uniform item properly, including the wear of cadet rank insignia. Questions concerning proper wear of uniform items not listed in this instruction can be addressed to AFROTC/DOS.

3.6.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Exceptions. General Military Course (GMC) cadets may not wear the items listed below. Only Professional Officer Course (POC) cadets may wear the following items and are purchased at their own expense:

3.6.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Corfram shoes/pumps.

3.6.1.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Alternate styles of sage green combat boots.

3.6.1.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Service caps. If worn for other than Color/Honor Guard or Drill Team purposes, wear the same insignia as active duty officers. Insignia must also be purchased at the expense of the cadet.

3.6.1.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Tan T-shirts with ABU/BDUs and FDUs (except local wear of detachment T-shirts as authorized in paragraph 3.10. of this supplement).

3.6.1.5. (Added) (AFROTC) Over-blouses (un-tucked style) for female cadets.

3.6.1.6. (Added) (AFROTC) Rigger belts worn with ABUs.

3.6.1.7. (Added) (AFROTC) Shade 1625 trousers/slacks.

3.7. (Added) (AFROTC) “Watch” Caps. Black “watch” caps may be worn with BDUs if approved by the detachment commander and purchased by the cadet. Black “watch” caps authorized for wear are those purchased from military clothing sales stores or comparable style solid black.

3.8. (Added) (AFROTC) Maternity Uniform. Cadets may purchase the maternity uniform at their own expense for wear with approval from the detachment commander. If the cadet does not procure a maternity uniform, detachment commanders may waive uniform wear for pregnant cadets during the timeframe they are unable to wear the regular uniform.

3.9. (Added) (AFROTC) Lightweight Blue Jacket. AS 400 cadets and extended cadets are authorized to wear the embroidered USAF logo on the lightweight blue jacket.

3.10. (Added) (AFROTC) Detachment T-shirts. Detachments may design a detachment T-shirt for local wear at the detachment to be worn with the ABU/BDUs and FDUs. T-shirts will be tan and comply with AFI 36-2903. T-shirts may contain emblems to be worn on the left side of chest, not to exceed 5 inches in diameter. No artwork or writing will be placed on the back of the T-shirt. No commutation or Issue-in-Kind (IIK) funds may be used for purchase of detachment T-shirts.

3.11. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Rank. This instruction refers to GMC and POC cadets based on definitions provided in AFROTCI 36-2011, *Administration of Senior AFROTC Cadets*.

3.11.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Rank at FT. Cadets will wear the rank of Cadet Third Class (C/3C) while participating in FT.

3.11.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Rank at Special Programs or Professional Development Training (PDT). GMC cadets will wear the rank of Cadet Third Class (C/3C) while participating in any Special Program or PDT between the AS 100 – AS 200 years and between the AS 200 – AS 300 years. Cadet officers will wear the last rank held at the detachment when participating in Special Programs or PDT.

3.11.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Training Assistants (CTA) will wear Cadet Colonel (C/Col) rank insignia while at FT IAW AFROTCI 36-2010, *AFROTC Field Training Program*.

3.12. (Added) (AFROTC) Alteration and Exchange. No alteration of any item (other than basic hemming and normal alterations necessary for regular wear of the uniform) will be made by a cadet without prior approval from the uniform custodian. Uniforms will not be custom tailored to the individual cadet.

3.13. (Added) (AFROTC) Service Uniform. The service uniform (“blues”) is the official uniform for AFROTC training. It is issued to all cadets upon entry into the AFROTC program, as authorized by this instruction and AFROTCI 36-2011. The service uniform consists of the shade 1620 service dress coat, trousers, long and short-sleeved shirts/blouses, tie/tie tab, as well as other required accoutrements (nametag, rank insignia, ribbons, badges, etc.). Wear of all blues combinations will be IAW AFI 36-2903.

3.13.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Silver Name Tags. POC cadets wear the silver service dress nametag on the service dress jacket. GMC cadets wear no service dress nametag.

3.13.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Shoulder Cords. In the short-sleeve blues or long-sleeve blues combination, authorized shoulder cords are optional. In the service dress uniform, authorized cords are mandatory.

3.13.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Braids. Braid will not be worn on the shade 1620 service dress coat. If a braid was previously sewn on, it does not need to be removed, but ensure the jacket is only issued to contracted cadets if at all possible. Remove from inventory through sale or rotation. Braid received with purchase of the service jacket will be retained and will be issued to commissioning cadets if the uniform is purchased. It may then be sewn on prior to commissioning at the commissioning cadet’s expense.

3.13.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets will wear the semi-formal dress uniform or mess dress uniform when participating in AFROTC-related military ball/dining out. Cadets will not wear civilian clothing—evening gowns, dresses, suits—to their own military ball/dining out. When the costs associated with wear of the semiformal dress uniform are prohibitive, the detachment commander may give authorization for local wear of the service dress uniform at formal social functions.

3.13.4.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Civilian clothing is only authorized for wear if the cadet is participating as a guest at another service's military ball/dining out, or if the cadet falls into a category which does not authorize them to wear the uniform (see paragraphs 1.4 and 3.5).

3.14. (Added) (AFROTC) Headgear. POC cadets will be issued "Prop & Wings" flight cap insignia (Figure 3.3) upon satisfactory completion of FT and entrance into the Professional Officer Course in conjunction with promotion to cadet officer rank (see AFROTCI 36-2011). Cadets will wear the officer flight cap with diamond braid (male or female) with all combinations of the service uniform, except when wearing the semi-formal dress uniform (paragraph 4.1.4) or when participating in activities listed in Chapter 8 of this instruction.

3.14.1. (Added) (AFROTC) POC cadets are authorized to wear gold/silver combination "Prop & Wings" (gold wings and silver propeller) if a relative was a member of the Army Air Corps, if a parent has at least 20 years of military service, if a parent died in the line of duty, or if a parent participated in active combat as a member of any U.S. military service. Vanguard Part # 3680101

Figure 3.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Prop & Wings



3.15. (Added) (AFROTC) Mess Dress Wear. Costs associated with wear of the mess dress uniform are borne by the cadet. Wear of the mess dress uniform will be IAW AFI 36-2903. The following additional information applies:

3.15.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets will wear hard shoulder boards with appropriate silver stripes to denote cadet rank. Hard shoulder boards will be purchased at the expense of the cadet. If detachments have hard shoulder boards available, they can be issued to cadets for wear with the mess dress uniform. Cadets should contact the uniform custodian for commercial source and part numbers.

3.15.2. (Added) (AFROTC) POC cadets will wear silver sleeve braid. GMC cadets will not wear silver sleeve braid. Braid received with purchase of the mess dress should be retained by the cadet for wear as POC cadet and upon commissioning.

3.16. (Added) (AFROTC) ABU/BDU Configuration. The following instructions apply to wear of the ABU/BDUs by AFROTC cadets:

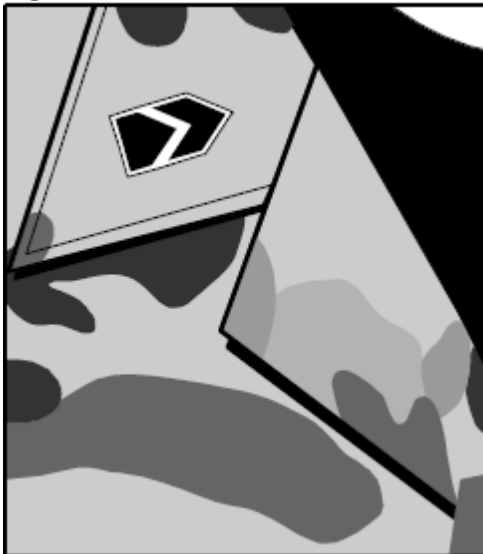
3.16.1. (Added) (AFROTC) POC cadets will wear metallic black and silver officer rank insignia centered on the left and right collar, one inch from the front of the collar, with the silver stripe(s) perpendicular to the front of the collar (see Figure 3.4).

Figure 3.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Officer Insignia on ABU Collar (example is C/Maj)



3.16.2. (Added) (AFROTC). GMC cadets will wear metallic blue and silver insignia centered on the left and right collar so that the long edge of the insignia is parallel to and one inch from the front edge of the collar (see Figure 3.5).

Figure 3.5. (Added) (AFROTC) GMC Insignia on ABU Collar (example is C/4C)



3.17. (Added) (AFROTC) ABU Headgear. Cadets will wear the ABU cap with the ABU/BDUs. No insignia will be worn on the ABU cap.

3.18. (Added) (AFROTC) Nametape and U.S. Air Force Tape. ABU nametape and U.S. Air Force tapes will not be worn on the field jacket.

3.19. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets Authorized Wear of FDUs.

3.19.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Only cadets categorized as pilot, CSO, Space and Missile or ABM may be issued FDUs.

3.19.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Issue FDUs to authorized cadets (see paragraph 3.19.1) at the beginning of the AS 400 year, or immediately upon notification of categorization selection if currently enrolled in AS 400 or later.

3.19.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Authorized cadets may wear FDUs in lieu of ABU/BDUs unless training requirements or the detachment commander dictate otherwise. Cadets will wear ABU/BDUs if FDUs are unavailable.

3.19.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Requests for FDUs for authorized cadets must be made through the region to AFROTC/DOSL. Regions will attempt to meet FDU requirements from within the region whenever possible. Requests for new FDUs will be based only upon those authorized in paragraph 3.21.1.

3.19.5. (added) (AFROTC) Non-AFROTC Provided FDUs. FDUs obtained from sources other than HQ AFROTC may only be worn if deemed in serviceable condition and of the appropriate style by the detachment commander. Once identified as such, FDUs will be counted in the inventory of detachment FDUs. Wear policy is the same as listed in paragraphs 3.19.1 above.

3.20. (Added) (AFROTC) Events Authorized for Wear of FDUs.

3.20.1. (Added) (AFROTC) AFROTC Flight Orientation Program (FOP). If available in the inventory, FDUs may be worn by cadets participating in the AFROTC FOP during the duration of their flight only. FDUs must be issued immediately before and returned immediately after the training. Wear of the Aircrew Style Name Patch (ASNP) is not required for wear by cadets participating in AFROTC FOP when worn for single flights and returned to inventory. If FDUs are not available in the inventory, cadets will wear ABU/BDUs for AFROTC FOP participation. If cadets have not been issued ABU/BDUs and combat boots, the service uniform will be worn. Early issue of ABU/BDUs and combat boots is not authorized for AFROTC FOP participation.

3.20.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Recruiting. If authorized by the detachment commander, cadets authorized wear of FDU in paragraph 3.19 above are authorized to wear FDUs for recruiting events.

3.20.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Professional Development Training (PDT). If available in the inventory, cadets may be issued FDUs for participation in USAFA FreeFall, USAFA Soaring, and Operation Air Force selections to bases with aircraft. FDUs must be returned immediately upon completion of training.

3.21. (Added) (AFROTC). FDU Configuration. The following instructions apply to wear of the FDU by AFROTC cadets:

3.21.1. (Added) (AFROTC) FDUs will be configured with the ASNP. The ASNP will be configured as follows with text lines justified to the left and right:

Cadet Aeronautical Badge centered above name line

First line: "FIRST NAME MI LAST NAME" (No nicknames allowed)

Second line: "CADET AFROTC" (Justify CADET to the left and AFROTC to the right.

(See Figures 3.6 and 3.7.)

3.21.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets authorized wear of the FDU and who have earned the Parachutist Badge (whether through the USAFA Freefall program, Army Airborne Training, or other prior service qualifications) may have them placed on their ASNP, centered between the Cadet Aeronautical Badge (if applicable) and above the name line. Cadets who wish to have this added to an existing patch must do so at their own expense.

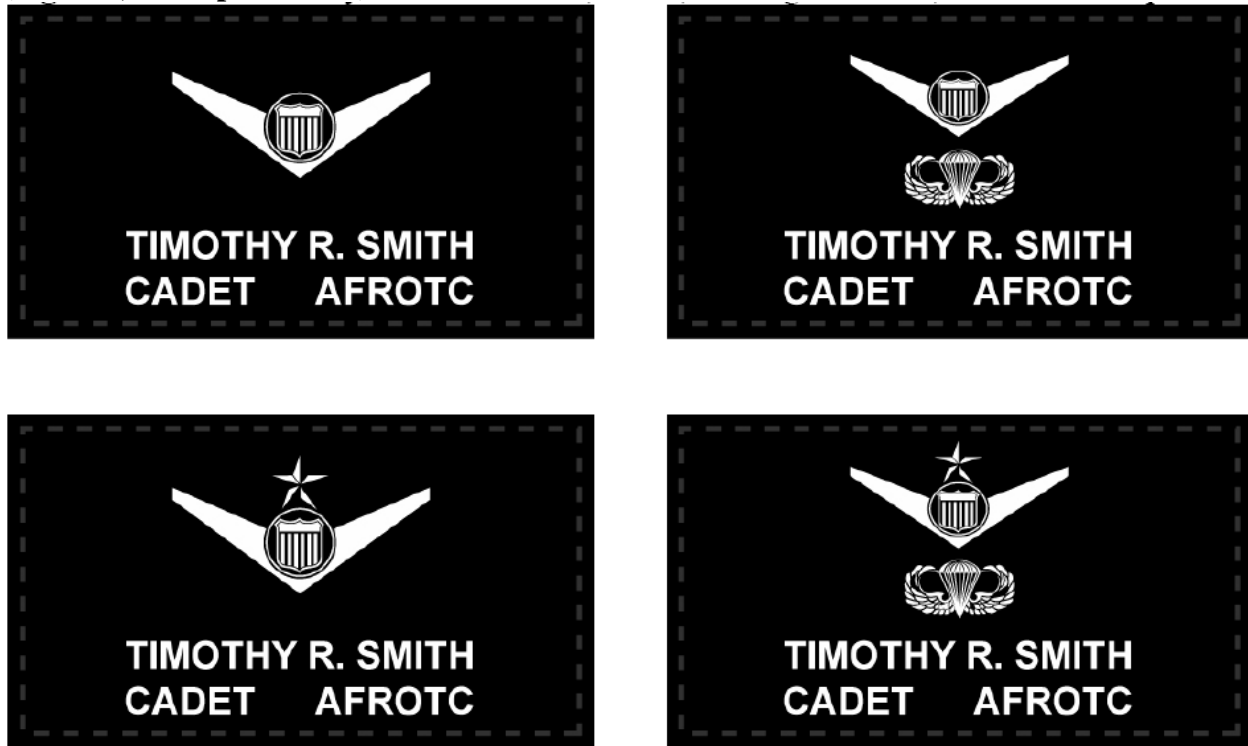
3.21.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Cloth, colored ASNPs may be worn if approved by the detachment commander and purchased by the cadet. Cloth ASNPs will be configured exactly like leather ASNPs. No distinctive school markings are authorized. Cloth ASNPs will have two contrasting colors: one color for the background, and a contrasting color for the rim and embroidery. Colors used will be determined by the detachment commander and be consistent throughout the detachment for cadets wearing cloth ASNPs. Detachment commanders may not mandate that cloth ASNPs be worn, since the cloth ASNP is purchased at the cadet's expense. (See Figure 3.6. (Added) (AFROTC).)

NOTE: Do not replace the ASNP solely because it does not meet the provisions of this paragraph, but ensure any new ASNP meet these requirements.

Figure 3.6. (Added) (AFROTC) Aircrew Style Name Patch (ASNP) Configurations (Cloth, Example is Combat Systems Officer)



Figure 3.7. (Added) (AFROTC) Aircrew Style Name Patch (ASNP) Configurations (Leather, Example is Pilot)



3.21.4. (Added) (AFROTC) The AFROTC patch (cadet version with light blue background) will be worn on the right breast pocket of the FDU between the diagonal pocket zipper and the main zipper. The U.S. Flag patch will be worn on the left shoulder. A detachment patch, if available, may be worn on the right shoulder. Cadets will not wear the Air Education and Training Command (AETC) patch.

3.21.5. (Added) (AFROTC) All patches must be attached to the flight suit by the use of velcro. Do not sew any patches on the flight suit.

3.21.6. (Added) (AFROTC) No other patches, badges, or accoutrements will be worn on the FDU.

3.21.7. (Added) (AFROTC) FDUs must be worn with authorized sage green combat boots.

3.21.8. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet rank insignia will not be worn on the FDU.

3.21.9. (Added) (AFROTC) FDUs will not be worn unless all required patches and insignia are available. This includes the AFROTC patch, the U.S. Flag Patch, and the ASNP. **Exception:** Per paragraph 6.2.1, the ASNP is not required for wear by cadets participating in AFROTC FOP when worn for single flights and returned to inventory.

3.21.10. (Added) (AFROTC) Headgear. Cadets will wear the diamond braided officer flight cap with appropriate insignia with the FDU. Flight cap will be stored in the lower cargo pocket on the leg when not worn.

3.22. (Added) (AFROTC) Additional Instructions.

3.22.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Scarves. Detachment scarves are authorized using detachment funds. Color of scarves will be determined by the detachment commander and consistent with university colors.

3.22.2. (Added) (AFROTC) AFROTC does not provide flight jackets for wear, therefore, there is no authorized jacket to be worn with the FDU. If weather is such that wear of the FDU without a jacket is not practicable, cadets should wear ABU/BDUs. **EXCEPTION:** If serviceable Air Force authorized nomex flight jackets are available in the detachment inventory from non-AFROTC sources, they may be issued to cadets for wear. Flight jackets will not be worn unless all required patches and insignia are available. This includes the AFROTC patch, the U.S. flag patch, and the ASNP (additional ASNPs must be purchased at the expense of the cadet). Do not use commutation or IIK funds to purchase flight jackets.

3.23. (Added) (AFROTC) Definitions. In order to ensure all detachments have the same understanding of what constitutes these organizations, the following definitions are provided.

3.23.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Color Guard. Color Guards are small (typically 3-8 person) teams that form to carry the flags/colors and present them at such activities as sporting events, parades, and other formal ceremonies, such as military balls. These teams may also participate in Color Guard competitions at drill meets.

3.23.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Honor Guard. Honor Guards are small (typically 3-8 person) teams that are very similar to Color Guards, except they may or may not carry flags. They are formed to honor something or someone, such as at funerals, veterans' ceremonies, etc. This may include flag raising/lowering details.

3.23.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Drill Team. Drill Teams are normally larger teams (though sometimes as small as a color/honor guard) that do not carry flags, except possibly a flight guidon. They may drill with or without weapons. They are formed to perform for events such as parades or exhibitions, or to compete in Drill Team competitions at drill meets.

3.24. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets and Events Authorized for Uniform Wear. Cadets participating in detachment sanctioned Color Guards, Honor Guards, and Drill Teams may wear their uniforms while preparing for, performing, or coming from performing Color/Honor Guard or Drill Team duties. Military institutions retain the same exception to uniform wear as in paragraph 3.1.5.

3.25. (Added) (AFROTC) Additional Instructions.

3.25.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Color/Honor Guard members and Drill Team members will wear the following items as part of the Color/Honor Guard and Drill Team uniform. If funding is available, purchase the following special items using commutation funds (see AFOATSI 65-102, *AFOATS Uniform Commutation Program*) or IIK funds. Detachments are not specifically funded for Color/Honor Guards or Drill Teams. Funding must come from available commutation or IIK funds, personal expense, or other legal sources of funding. See AFOATSI 65-102 for guidance on commutation funds. IIK units must request approval from AFROTC/DOS prior to purchasing

new uniform items under this paragraph. Variations to this uniform are not authorized unless approved by AFROTC/DOS. Color/Honor Guard and Drill Team uniforms will consist of the following:

3.25.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) The service dress uniform is worn by all members of the Color/Honor Guard or Drill Team.

3.25.1.2. (Added) (AFROTC) USAF ceremonial service (wheel) cap with silver rimmed visor, silver front chin strap, and black rear chin strap. Wear the USAF Honor Guard “Wing and Star” service cap insignia.

3.25.1.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Single strand white shoulder cord.

3.25.1.4. (Added) (AFROTC) USAF ceremonial web belt (blue with silver trim) with chrome buckle emblazoned with “Wing and Star” insignia.

3.25.1.5. (Added) (AFROTC) White gloves. (Detachments may purchase white gloves with grip face for better hold of weapons and flags.)

3.25.1.6. (Added) (AFROTC) Purchase white flag holders as needed.

3.25.1.7. (Added) (AFROTC) Female cadets participating in Color/Honor Guards or Drill Teams will wear the male service cap

3.25.1.8. (Added) (AFROTC) If desired, Drill Teams may alter the service dress uniform to remove ribbons and badges to present a standardized appearance by all drill team members during competition. All other insignia must be worn. Color/Honor Guards will not alter the uniform in this manner.

3.25.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Color/Honor Guard uniform items will be issued out on AF Form 538, *Personal Clothing and Equipment Record*, to the individual cadet and should be turned in when the cadet no longer participates as an active member of the Color/Honor Guard or Drill Team.

4.8. (Added) (AFROTC) Criteria. Refer to AFROTCI 36-2011 for ribbon award criteria. See AFROTCVA 36-3, *AFROTC Ribbon Chart*, for precedence.

4.9. (Added) (AFROTC) Ribbon Devices. See AFROTCI 36- 2011 for instruction on the use of ribbon devices.

4.10. (Added) (AFROTC) Active Duty Awards and Awards from Other Organizations. See AFROTCI 36- 2011 for wear authorization for specific active duty awards and awards from other organizations.

4.11. (Added) (AFROTC) Wear of Medals. Members may only wear medals earned as members of AFROTC, and medals for valor or gallantry earned on active duty, in Civil Air Patrol (CAP), and in any service’s ROTC or JROTC program. Center medals horizontally midway between lapel and arm seam and vertically between the shoulder and top button. Mixing

of large size and miniature medals is not authorized. In rare cases, a cadet may have to choose which medal to wear due to size inconsistency. Most AFROTC medals are only available in large size. Questions of precedence or other wear questions not answered in this instruction should be addressed through command channels to AFROTC/DOS.

5.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Rank Insignia. Insignia will be cloth shoulder marks and metallic rank (see Figure 5.2).

5.1.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cloth shoulder marks will be used on the epaulets of the service dress jacket, long- and short-sleeved shirts/blouses, and the pullover or cardigan sweater. The epaulets are inserted into the cloth shoulder marks and buttoned. The bottom edge of the cloth shoulder mark must be as close as possible to the upper seam of the sleeve.

5.1.1.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Metallic rank is worn on the ABU/BDU, BDU field jacket, lightweight blue jacket, and all-weather coat.

5.1.1.3. (Added) (AFROTC). Cadets will wear metallic rank insignia on the epaulets of all outerwear, excluding the parka. Rank should be centered on both epaulets 5/8ths-inch from the shoulder seam. POC cadets will wear metallic black and silver cadet officer rank insignia with the silver stripes parallel to the shoulder seam. GMC cadets will wear metallic blue and silver rank insignia with the point toward the neck.

5.6.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Aeronautical Badges.

5.6.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Pilot Badge. There are two versions of the cadet pilot badge authorized for wear with the cadet uniform. Cadets who meet one of the following criteria are authorized to wear the Cadet Pilot Badge: **(NOTE:** Cadets who meet two or more of the criteria listed below are authorized to wear the Cadet Senior Pilot Badge (pilot wings with a star).

5.6.1.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Flown solo through private means, CAP, FAST, or another solo flight program. Documentation must be provided to detachment cadre to prove solo qualification.

5.6.1.1.2. (added) (AFROTC) Successfully completed the USAFA SOAR program.

5.6.1.1.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Categorized as pilot.

5.6.1.1.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets will not wear cadet pilot wings with a star and wreath.

5.6.1.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Combat Systems Officer Badge. Cadets who are categorized as Combat Systems Officers will wear the Cadet Combat Systems Officer Badge or Cadet Senior Combat Systems Officer Badge as appropriate.

5.6.1.2.1. (Added) (AFROTC) If a cadet has previously earned the Cadet Pilot Badge (solo flight or USAFA SOAR) and is categorized as Combat Systems Officer, wear the Cadet Senior Combat Systems Officer Badge in lieu of the Cadet Senior Pilot Badge. (Essentially, the Combat Systems Officer symbol replaces the pilot symbol and the badge is upgraded.)

5.6.1.2.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadets will not wear cadet Combat Systems Officer wings with a star and wreath.

5.9.7. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Occupational Badges.

5.9.7.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Air Battle Manager Badge. Cadets who are categorized as Air Battle Managers (ABM) will wear the Cadet ABM Badge.

5.9.7.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Space and Missile Badge. Cadets who are categorized as Space and Missile officers will wear the Cadet Space and Missile Badge

5.9.7.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Medical Insignia. Cadets wear the appropriate badge upon receiving an allocation in the Nurse or Pre-Health category.

5.9.7.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Training Assistant (CTA) Badge. Wear the CTA badge (see Figure 5.3) upon successful completion of CTA duties. On the service dress jacket, wear the CTA badge on the right breast, centered ½ inch above the service dress nametag. If worn with the Arnold Air Society (AAS) Pin, place the AAS pin ½ inch above the CTA badge. On the long- or short-sleeved shirt/blouse, wear the CTA badge centered and ½ inch above the blue nametag (see Figure 5.4).

5.10.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Additional Uniform Devices.

5.10.3.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Shoulder Cords. Wear shoulder cords on the left shoulder of the service uniform. Only one shoulder cord may be worn at a time. Shoulder cords should be worn grounded to the upper seam of the sleeve. When this is not practical, they may be worn attached to the button of the epaulet. Shoulder cords authorized for wear are:

5.10.3.1.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Arnold Air Society (AAS) or Silver Wings (SW).

5.10.3.1.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Color/Honor Guard and Drill Team members may wear a white shoulder cord.

5.10.3.1.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Scabbard and Blade.

5.10.3.1.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Pershing Rifles.

5.10.3.1.5. (Added) (AFROTC) No other shoulder cords are authorized for wear.

5.10.3.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Organizational Uniform Items.

5.10.3.2.1. (Added) (AFROTC) No items from other activities, groups, or organizations may be worn on the cadet uniform, unless specifically authorized by other AFROTC Instructions.

5.10.3.2.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Air Force and Non-Air Force Sponsored Military Activities. Shoulder cords, rank shields, and other insignia denoting membership or office in other military activities, such as Arnold Air Society, Silver Wings, Pershing Rifles, and Scabbard and Blade, may be worn whenever the service uniform, semi-formal uniform, or mess dress uniform is

worn. Ribbons, if authorized by AFROTCI 36-2011, may be worn whenever the service uniform or semi-formal uniforms are worn. Wear of items denoting membership in student military activities and organizations must comply with the following requirements:

5.10.3.2.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Arnold Air Society (AAS) and Silver Wings (SW). AAS members may wear the membership rank or candidate pin on the service uniform and mess dress uniform (rank pin takes the place of the candidate pin). AAS pin (Figure 8) is worn centered ½ inch above the nameplate or CTA badge on the shirt and service dress jacket. For GMC cadets wearing the AAS pin on the service dress jacket, it is worn centered on the right ½ inch above a line drawn from the bottom of the ribbons. The SW pin is not authorized for wear on the cadet uniform. AAS/SW ribbons authorized for wear are listed in precedence in AFROTCI 36-2011, and on the AFROTC Ribbon Chart (AFROTCVA 36-3).

5.10.3.2.4. (added) (AFROTC) Pershing Rifles. Cadets who are members of Pershing Rifles may wear certain Pershing Rifles uniform items, including the Pershing Rifles Rank Shield.

5.10.3.2.4.1. (added) (AFROTC) Male cadets wear the Pershing Rifles Rank Shield centered on the left breast pocket of the service uniform. Wear 1½ inches below the top of the welt pocket on the service dress jacket, and 1½ inches below the bottom of the medals on the mess dress uniform. Center Pershing Rifles Rank Shield on the ribbons or medals.

5.10.3.2.4.2. (added) (AFROTC) Female cadets wear the Pershing Rifles Rank Shield centered ½ inch above the ribbons on the service uniform and ½ inch above the medals on the mess dress uniform. Wear 1½ inches below the top of the welt pocket on the service dress jacket. Center Pershing Rifles Rank Shield on the ribbons or medals.

5.10.3.2.4.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Pershing Rifle cadets may wear Pershing Rifle insignia on the ABU while participating in Pershing Rifle activities. The Pershing Rifle Membership Ribbon may be worn on the AFROTC cadet uniform in precedence according to AFROTCI 36-2011 and AFROTCVA 36-3.

5.10.3.2.5. (Added) (AFROTC) Scabbard and Blade. Cadets are authorized to wear the Scabbard and Blade Membership or Rank ribbon (rank ribbon takes the place of the membership ribbon) in precedence as listed in AFROTCI 36-2011 and AFROTCVA 36-3.

7.1.7. (Added) (AFROTC) AFROTC Uniform Board Review.

7.1.7.1. (Added) (AFROTC) Sequence of Events. AFROTC/DOS will staff uniform recommendations through AFROTC/DO to AFROTC/CC for decision and Holm Center Uniform Board review. AFROTC/DO will represent AFROTC at all Holm Center Uniform Boards held.

7.1.7.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Recommending Changes. Make recommendations for changes to AFROTC cadet uniforms, insignia, awards (see AFROTCI 36-2011), and logistical procedures with endorsements through detachment and region chains of command to AFROTC/DOS.

7.1.7.3. (Added) (AFROTC) HQ AFROTC/DOS grants waivers to this instruction unless otherwise specified. All waivers will be valid for a period of 12 months.

7.1.7.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Waiver of Wear. The detachment commander may waive the requirement for cadet wear of the uniform when such wear could result in unnecessary damage to the uniform or present an unprofessional image.

Figure 5.2. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Rank

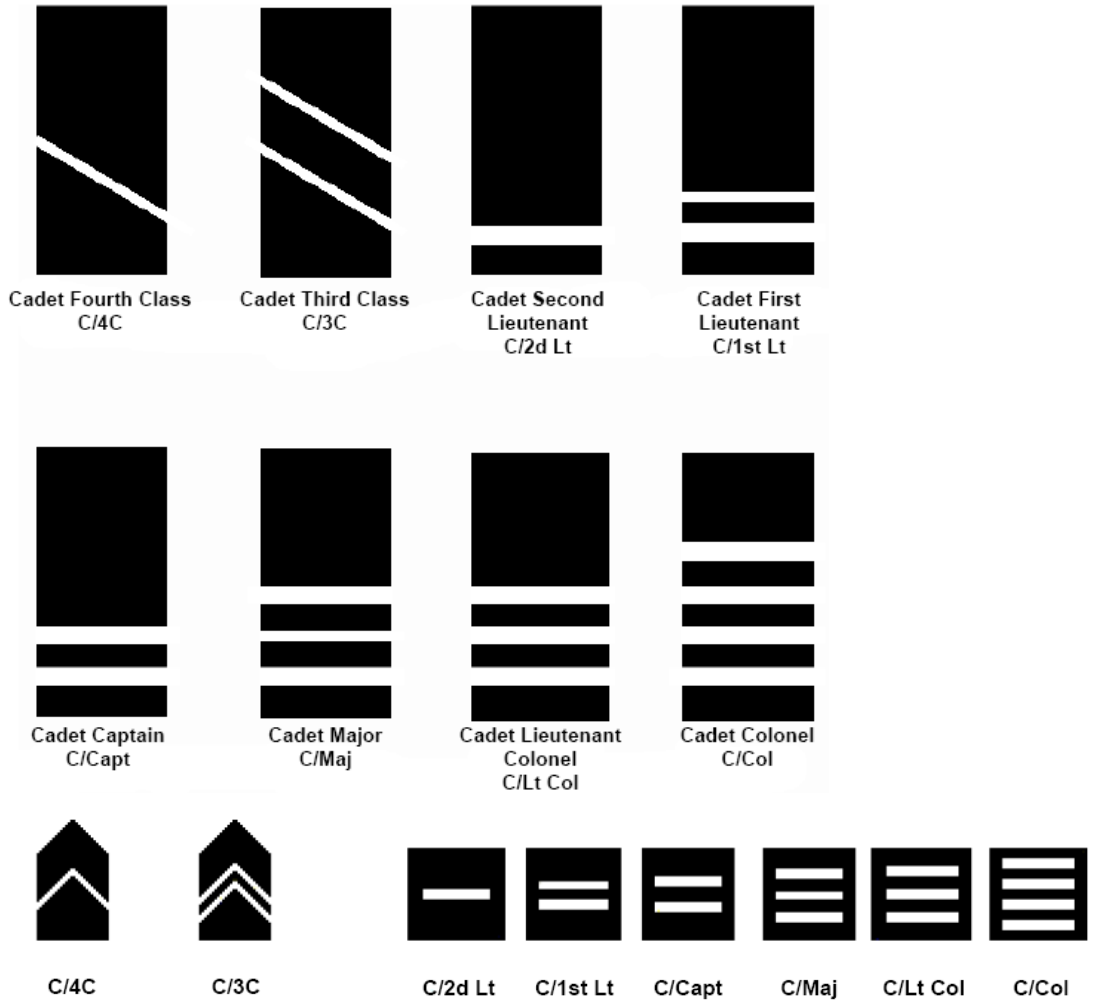


Figure 5.3. (Added) (AFROTC) Cadet Badges



Cadet Pilot Badge



Cadet Senior Pilot Badge



Cadet Navigator Badge



Cadet Senior Navigator Badge



Cadet Nurse Badge



Cadet Pre-Health Badge



Cadet Training Assistant Badge



AAS Rank Pin



AAS Candidate Pin

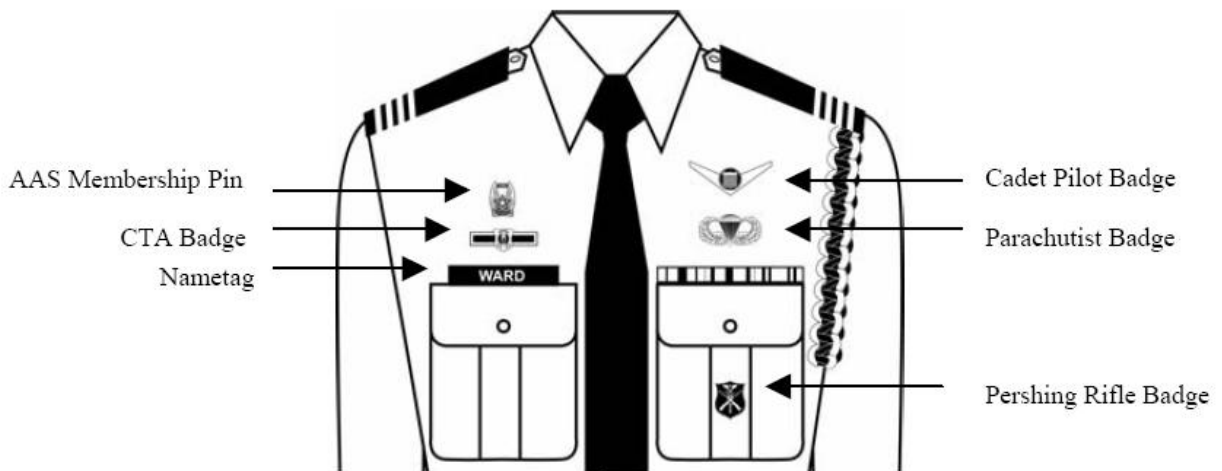


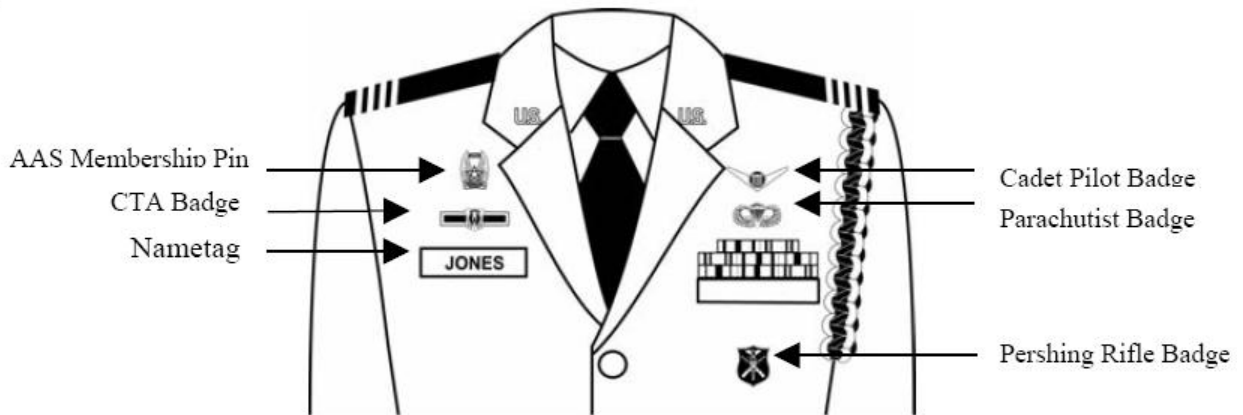
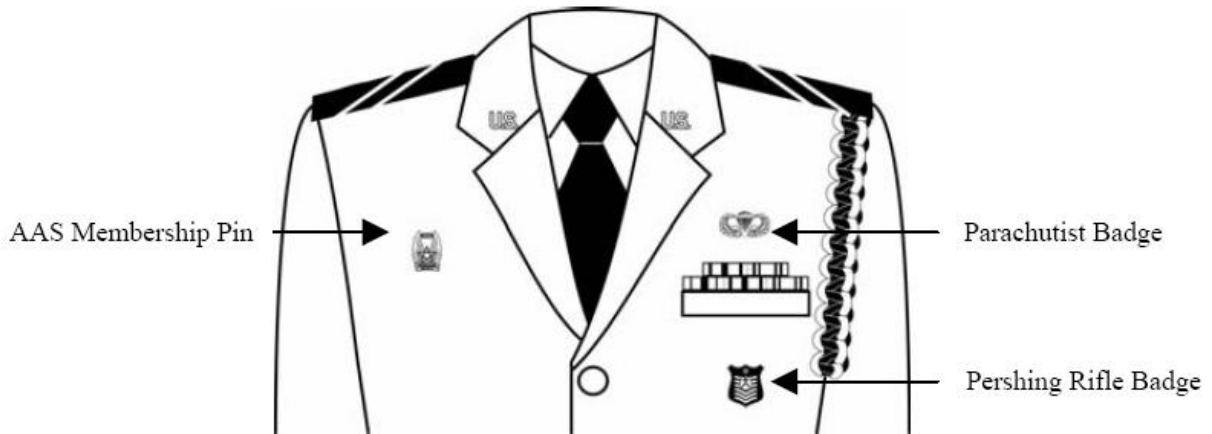
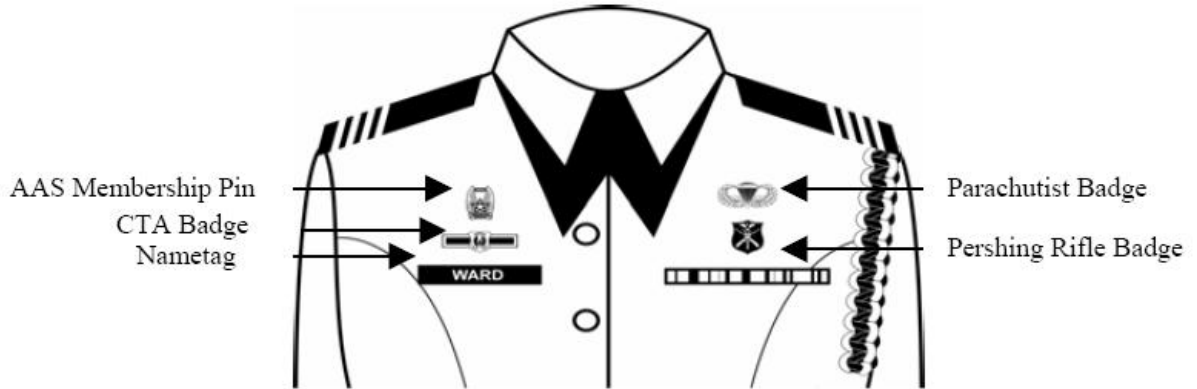
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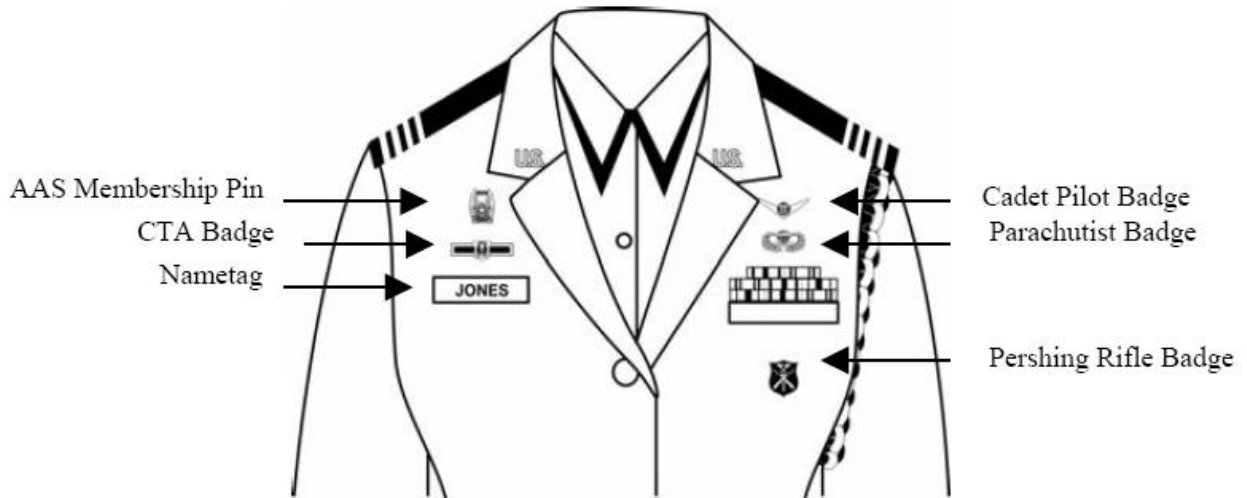
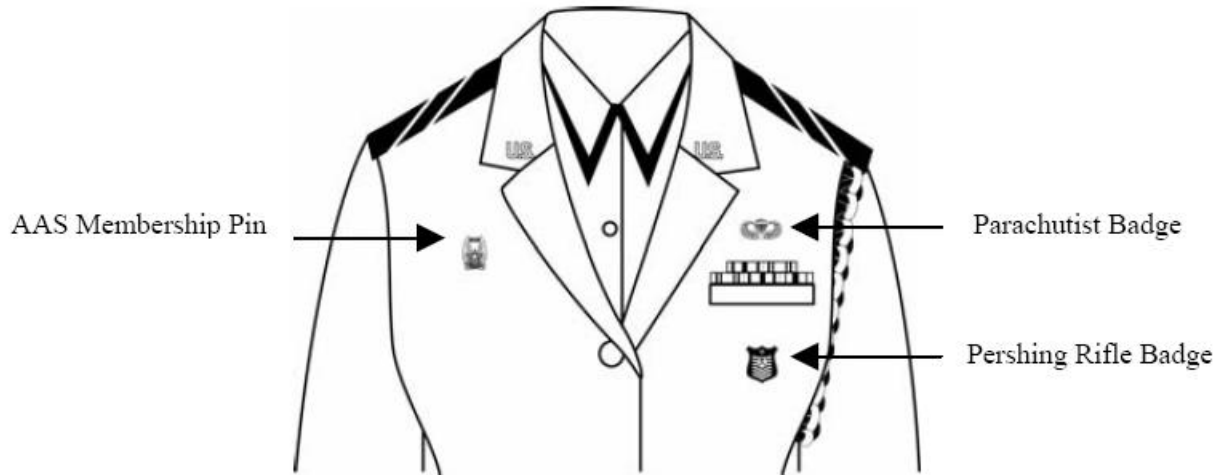


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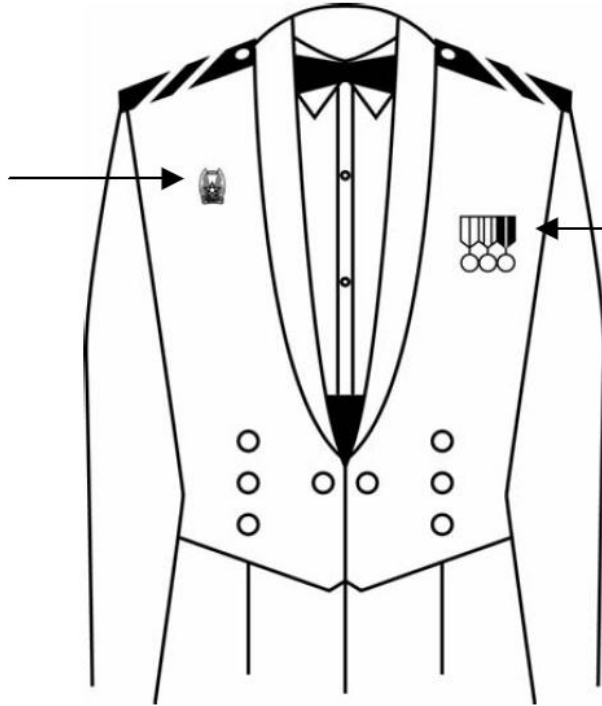
Figure 5.4. (Added) (AFROTC) Samples of Badge placement on various uniform configurations







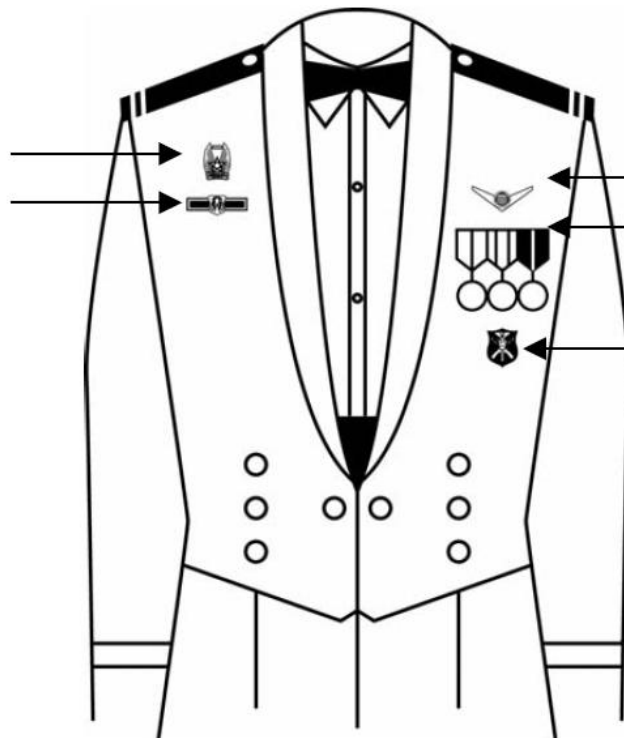
AAS Membership Pin



Medals (miniature)

AAS Membership Pin

CTA Badge

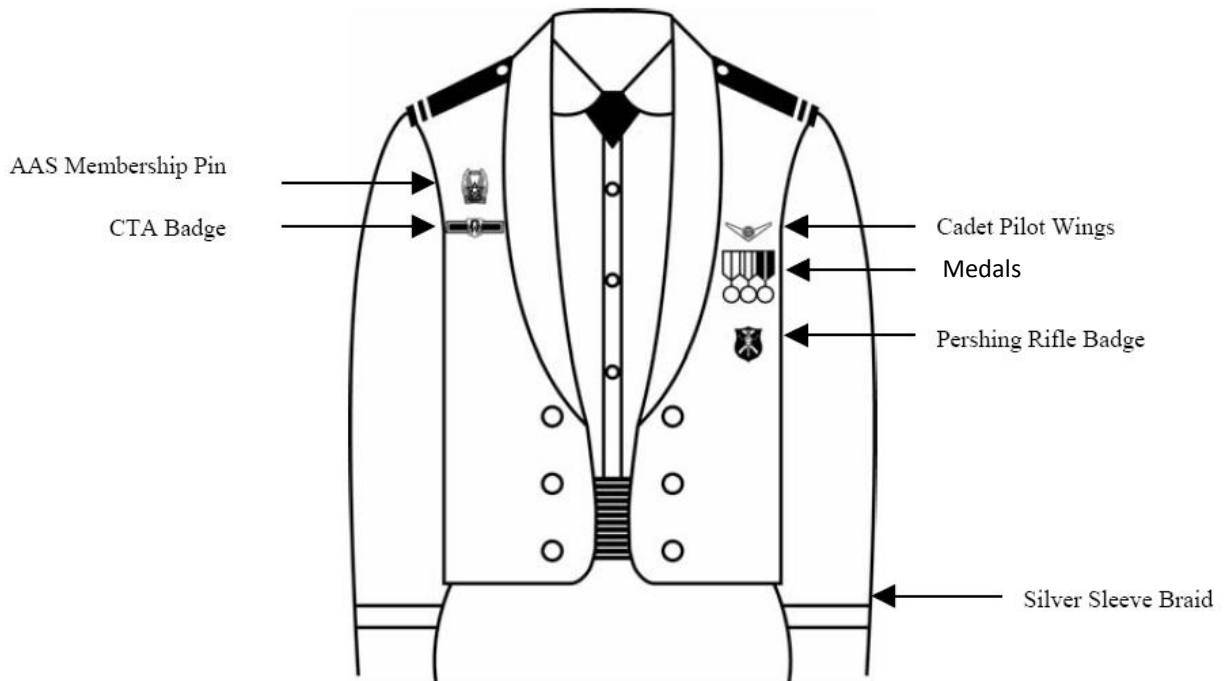
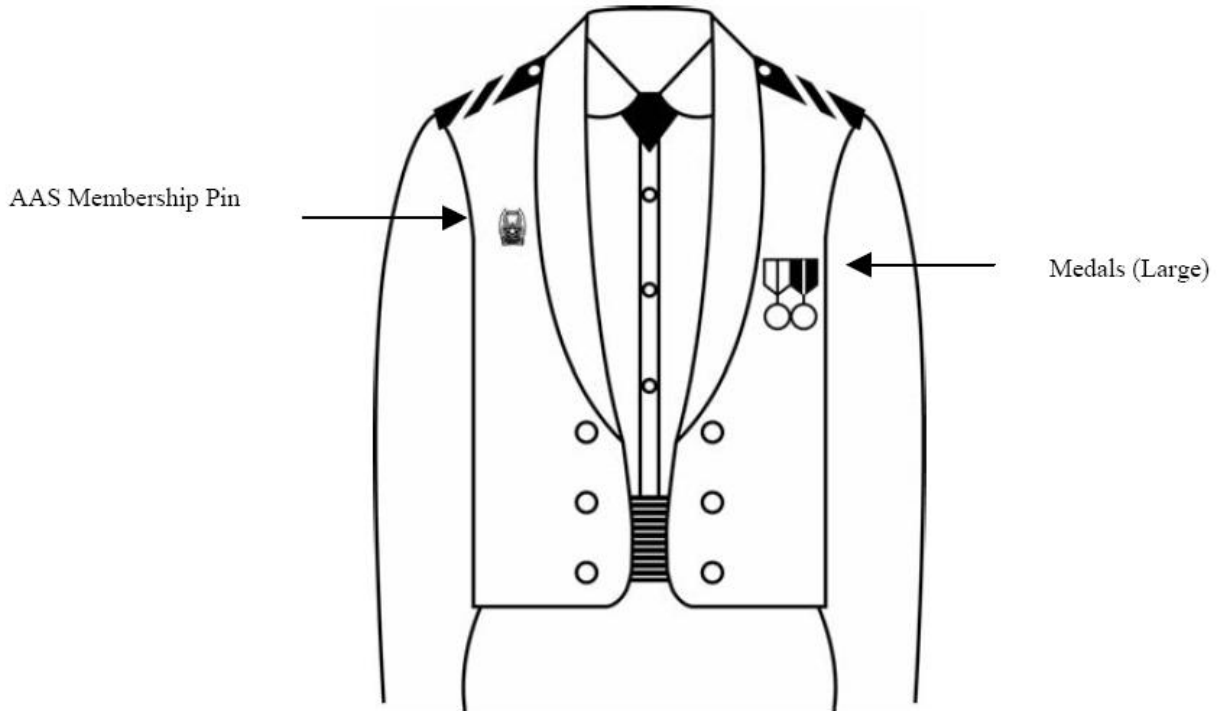


Cadet Pilot Wings

Medals (Large)

Pershing Rifle Badge

Silver Sleeve Braid



7.4. AF Form 538, *Personal Clothing and Equipment Record*; AFROTC Form 16, *Officer Candidate Counseling Record*.

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The following are added to Attachment 1:

References

AFOATSI 65-102, *AFOATS Uniform Commutation Program*

AFROTCI 36-2010, *AFROTC Field Training Program*

AFROTCI 36-2011, *Administration of Senior AFROTC Cadets*

AFROTCVA 36-3, *AFROTC Ribbon Chart*

Abbreviations and Acronyms

AAS—Arnold Air Society

ABM—Air Battle Manager

AFROTC—Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps

ASNP—Aircrew Style Name Patch

CTA—Cadet Training Assistant

FOP—Flight Orientation Program

FT—Field Training

GMC—General Military Course

LLAB—Leadership Laboratory

PDT—Professional Development Training

PMT—Practical Military Training

POC—Professional Officer Course

PT—Physical Training

SW—Silver Wings