Topics:

• Source reference for the Auxiliary uniform
• When to wear your uniform and when not
• Uniform standards
• Types of uniforms and when to wear each type
• Hats, shoulder boards, sweaters, accessories and the blue blazer
• Insignias, name tags, ribbons & medals, collar devices and their placement
• Undergarments and footwear
• ...and where to procure your uniforms
Source:

• Coast Guard Uniform Regulations
  COMDTINST M1020.6 (series), except
  were noted in AUXMAN Ch. 10.

• Auxiliary Manual
  COMDTINST M16790.1(series),
  Chapter 10
When to Wear Uniforms

- On board operational facilities, under orders - working or undress uniform.
- When conducting VSCs - working uniform or VSC golf shirt with blue slacks or shorts.
- When an instructor or aide in PE classes - tropical blue, winter dress blue or service dress blue.
- When conducting a Marine Dealer visit - service dress blue or tropical blue.
When Required (continued)

- Hot weather uniform when doing patrols, VSCs and ATON missions - when warranted
- Director or Auxiliary officer, at any level may require specific uniforms for specific events
When Wearing Uniform is Prohibited

- In public places of dubious reputation
- When engaged in political activities
- When in a foreign country
- Don’t wear distinctive parts of the uniform or insignia with civilian clothes.
- Home made uniforms not allowed.
Uniform Standards

- Wear the uniform with Pride, as a representative of the Auxiliary and the Coast Guard.
- Elected officers should set example.
“Service-peculiar” Standards

- Hats should be worn squarely on the head.
- Shirts, etc... should be buttoned. Sleeves should not be rolled up.
- Bottom of pants should touch shoe tops.
- Women’s hemline between crease of knee and 2 inches below.
- Wristwatches, rings and bracelets okay if in good taste.
• **Men** cannot wear earrings. **Women** can wear small gold, silver or pearl studs. Diamond studs can be worn with dress uniform.

• Necklaces, chains, suspenders, pens, handkerchiefs, etc... should not be visible.

• **Hair should be neat and clean** and above the collar (for men) or at the collar (for women).
Service Dress Blue

“Uniform of the Day”

- Dress Blue coat, with silver buttons and dress blue pants.
- Air Force style shirt with CG Blue tie.
- Black socks and shoes.
- Sleeve lace with sleeve shield
- Worn with ribbons, breast insignia, qual. devices and name tag.
- Garrison or combo hat
Service Dress Blue (woman’s)

• Same as man’s except
  • Blue skirt or pants
  • CG Ascot
  • Stockings (plain) w/ skirt
  • Black pumps, low heels
Dinner Dress Blue

• For more solemn occasions and evening social events.
• Same as SDB, but with white shirt and plain black bow tie.
• Worn with miniature medals and devices and a black bow tie, and without name tag.
• Combination hat ONLY.
Winter Dress Blue

- Worn instead of Service Dress Blue
- Long sleeve, CG Blue winter shirt and blue pants
- CG Blue tie
- Black shoe and socks.
- Metal collar devices, name tag, ribbons, Qual. devices.
- Garrison or Combo hat
- Wooly Pully can be worn with shoulder boards
Tropical Blue (Summer)

- Worn instead of Service Dress Blue
- Light blue Air Force short sleeve shirt and blue pants or skirt
- Black socks and shoes
- Shoulder boards, name tags, ribbons, Qual devices
- Garrison or combo hat
- Wooly Pully is okay
Tunic Over-Blouse

• For women who will be more comfortable in a size larger than those offered at the Uniform Distribution Center in Woodbine NJ. The shirt does not need to be tucked into the pants when worn. It can be ordered from the Auxiliary Center (AUXCEN) in St. Louis, MO.

• The qualification insignia, shoulder boards, ribbons etc. that are worn with the Tropical Blue shirt are worn on this shirt.
Additions for the Tropical Blue, cont’d

- **Outerwear**
  - Windbreaker, with or without liner:
    - Insignia: Large Metal, Placed ¾” inboard from epaulet seam.
  - Trench Coat:
    - Insignia: Large Metal, Placed ¾” inboard from epaulet seam.
  - All-Weather Parka, Type I (old) or II (new):
    - Insignia: only one insignia can be worn on Storm (zipper) Flap on Jacket.
  - AWP Liner: can be worn alone as outer wear.
  - Trouser: can be worn in extreme weather conditions.
OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM (ODU) UNISEX

Worn where any form of Dress Uniform is not required or more appropriate. It is not a Liberty Uniform.

• Uniform sew-on devices will now display a black “A” for Auxiliary. The Red and Blue “A” designation has been discontinued.

✓ Current devices may be worn until December 31, 2010
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A Guide to Uniforms

Shirt (ODU Coat)

• ODU Coat (Unisex):
  ✓ Coast Guard Blue.
  ✓ Proper wear: the ODU coat may be worn with sleeves rolled up accordion style with only the cuff showing, or with sleeves down.
    ▪ If rolled, the cuff should be approximately 2” above the elbow (mid-bicep).

• Undershirt:
  ✓ Coast Blue “T” Shirt, Round Collar (crew neck).

• Insignia:
  ✓ Sew-on only.
  ✓ Auxiliary Tape: U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary; Last Name.
    ▪ The member’s last name goes over the right pocket and U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY over the left. Velcro tapes are optional. Direct embroidery and plastic name tags are prohibited.
  ✓ Member Devices must be sew-on.
Working Blue (Not authorized after 31 Dec 2010)

- Dark blue short sleeve shirt with utility pants
- Black socks and Deck shoes (blue, white or brown)
- Metal or sew-on collar devices, name tags or name tapes, Qual devices, but NO ribbons (only sew-on authorized for patrol)
- Ball cap
Hot Weather Boat Crew Outfit

- Authorized by FC
- CG Blue shorts with CG Aux Blue ‘T’ shirt or light blue shirt.
- Dark brown or white deck shoes with white socks.
- Metal collar devices, name tag, and qual. devices. Sew-on devices are okay.
- Blue baseball cap.
Hats/Caps

- **Combination Cap**
  - Can be worn with most uniforms
  - Men’s and women’s styles

- **Garrison Cap**
  - Can be worn with service dress, etc...
  - With small cap device (left) and small metal office insignia (right)
Hats/Caps

- Ball Cap
  - Silver letters, w/ USCG AUX
  - Member device or miniature office device
  - Can have flotilla number
  - Remember that CG Unit ball caps are NOT authorized while on Auxiliary patrols. They may be worn with the CG Commander’s approval at stations or CG vessels.
Note on PFDs

• Your PFD must be the appropriate color – International **Orange** or High Visibility **Yellow** ONLY

• Inflatable PFD wearers - **DO NOT** wear your SAR vest over the Inflatable. Carry all required survival equipment in a waist belt

• Any PPE including PFDs with “Coast Guard Auxiliary” markings can only be used under orders
Shoulder Boards

• Hard Shoulder Board
  • Worn on dinner dress white jacket or service dress white.

• Enhanced Shoulder Boards
  • Worn on Tropical Blue shirts and the Wooly Pully.

• Enhanced or Soft shoulder boards
  • Worn with undress-winter, service dress blue, Wooly Pully or Cardigan sweater
Sweaters and Accessories

CG Blue Wooly Pully or Cardigan

• With service dress blue, tropical blue, winter dress and all undress uniforms
• With enhanced or soft shoulder boards
• No ribbons, breast insignia, names tags or other devices.
Blue Blazer and Other Items

- Auxiliary rings, lapel pins and blazer patch okay
- Auxiliary Blue Blazer may substitute for all uniforms, except undress blue-summer, service dress blue and working uniforms.
- Blue Blazer worn with white or gray pants or skirt, white shirt, black shoes and tie for men.
Insignia

- All insignia of office include the letter A (blue for elected and red for appointed)
- Those who have never been an officer wear the Member Device on their collar.
- Shoulder boards for appointed officers have red A inside silver shield and elected officers have a silver A.
- Insignia of office for the ODU will have a black A (in place of the blue or red).
Name Tags

- White with CG blue lettering.
- 3 3/16 in. wide and 5/8 in. high.
- Surname only.
- US. Coast Guard Auxiliary below name.
Ribbons and Medals

- May be worn on all uniforms, except the undress, working and blue blazer.
- Worn in order of precedence from inboard to outboard. (http://ribbons.cgaux.info/bin-cgi/ribbons.pl?/config.txt)
- All rows, except the top row, will contain 3 ribbons.
- Worn with lower edge of bottom row about 1/4 in. above left breast pocket.
**Collar Devices**

- Open collared short sleeve shirt - placed on center of collar flap, along a line bisecting collar
- Long sleeved Light blue and winter blue (with tie) - placed parallel to front edge of collar
Proper Placement of Ribbons, Name Tags, Qualification Devices

- Lowest row of ribbons is 1/4” above top of pocket
- 1st breast device is 1/4” above ribbons
- 2nd breast device is 1/4’ below top of pocket
- Ribbons and breast devices on left
- Name tag on right, 1/4” above pocket
- Badges may include AUXOP, Command insignias, staff ID, Recruiting and past officer

• AUXOP device 1/4” above or below the name tag?

In Ch.10, some badges are called devices (like AUXOP device). It can be confusing!
Footwear

• Black socks:
  • Not grey, dark blue, etc.

• Dress shoes:
  • Black naval oxfords (leather or patent leather)

• Boat Shoes:
  • Brown, blue or white
Undergarments

A word about V-Neck T-Shirts

WRONG!

The Navy wears crew neck T-Shirts, the CG doesn’t

RIGHT!!!
Where to Buy Uniforms

• Uniform Distribution Center (UDC), NJ on the web at http://www.uscg.mil/UNIFORMS/ or by phone at 609-861-1221 or 800-874-6841
• District 7 Material Center http://d7materials.org/
• Military exchanges, i.e. Coast Guard Island Alameda, ISC Seattle (Pier 36).
• Private suppliers
• Check with FSO-MA for details
Other Uniform Resource Information

  - This same guide can be obtained from the Supply Center as ANSC #7053.
  - It contains extensive information on the various authorized uniforms, grooming tips, and detailed information from suppliers
Questions?