

CHAPTER 2
APPEARANCE
SECTION 1
DRESS

AUTHORIZED UNIFORMS

1. Standard changes into summer and winter dress is ordered by RCSU COs.
2. Army Cadets may wear dress items of their affiliated unit, provided that:
 - a. authorized items may include headdress, regimental buttons, scarves, sashes, hat badges, shoulder unit identifiers and lanyards;
 - b. approval authority for new or special accoutrements for wear / use is with the Comd Natl CJCR Sp Gp;
 - c. the CO of the affiliated unit may recommend items for wear / use to the Comd Natl CJCR Sp Gp;
 - d. the cadets remain easily identifiable as cadets; and
 - e. the items are procured at no cost to the public, with the exception of the beret.
3. When authorized, NCD shall be issued to Sea Cadets when at sea for an extended period (normally, not less than 2 weeks) or where an approved operational requirement is identified for health and safety.
4. Provision. All cadets shall be issued with clothing / accoutrements to the authorized scale of entitlement at public expense. Clothing / accoutrements shall be recorded on an Individual Clothing and Equipment Record (CF 892A) and returned when they no longer fit or are not required. A Temporary Loan Card (DND 638) shall be used for items which are on supply customer account (SCA).
5. Specialty clothing items may be issued for select National Directed Activities and Regional Directed Activities.
6. Responsibility. Cadets are personally responsible for the maintenance and custody of all items of uniform clothing and accoutrements issued to them.
7. Maintenance / Replacement. Maintenance of issued clothing / accoutrements shall be at public expense determined on an as required basis with due economy of available resources. Replacement of issued uniforms shall be on a one-for-one exchange basis for those items not considered next to skin, on an as required basis.

WEAR OF UNIFORM

8. Unless otherwise directed, during cadet activities, all cadets:
 - a. shall wear the prescribed uniform; or
 - b. may wear appropriate civilian clothes.
9. When authorized by the corps / squadron CO, cadets may wear their uniform while attending non-cadet ceremonies or functions when appropriate.

GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL IDENTITY

10. Dress policy recognizes the organizational requirement for group and individual identity. A spectrum of identity exists which includes: country, element, regimental affiliation, CTC and corps / squadron. The emphasis placed on each differs in accordance with custom. Symbols of primary identity are an organizational requirement and therefore, shall be provided at no cost to the cadet.

11. Cadets are allocated elemental identity and are uniformed according to the element to which they belong.

12. There are four uniform categories which are worn in common by all cadets, IAW their environmental identity:

- a. ceremonial dress;
- b. mess dress;
- c. service dress; and
- d. environmental training dress.

13. All cadets parading as a group shall normally be required to wear the same order of dress. The Corps / squadron / CTC CO may authorize certain cadets to wear a different order of dress as dictated by the type of parade or function.

OPTIONAL ITEMS

14. Certain clothing items may be authorized for optional wear as long as they are obtained at no expense to the public.

15. To obtain approval of optional items a proposition shall be submitted by the corps / squadron CO through the chain of command to the Regional CWO. The submission will be reviewed and if supported, will be forwarded for approval by the Comd Natl CJCR Sp Gp.

16. Highland Dress authorization instructions for wear are located in chapter 6, section 2.

SEALED PATTERNS AND SPECIFICATIONS

17. To ensure uniformity and quality of dress, all cadets shall only wear sealed pattern uniforms issued through the Cadet Supply System.

18. The Natl CJCR Sp Gp HQ is the only authority which can approve CCO insignia. Any propositions or recommendations must come through the chain of command to the Regional CWOs.

ALTERATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

19. Cadet items of clothing shall not be altered or modified, except to obtain a reasonable fit, or to convert jackets to doublets.

20. Badges / insignia shall be sewn on the uniform neatly using a thread that blends with the badge and uniform. Badges shall not be glued.

SUPPLY AND ISSUE

21. Supply and issue of the various orders of cadet uniforms shall be in accordance with D08-101 CFS DSC Materiel Authorization - Basic Clothing and Camp Supplemental which outlines the scales of issue for environmental and specialty clothing provided and maintained at public expense.

UNIFORMITY IN DRESS

22. When cadets from different elements parade, conduct training or attend functions together, they shall wear the equivalent order of dress.

WEAR OF CIVILIAN CLOTHES

23. Civilian and uniform clothing items shall not be worn together, except where specifically authorized by the chain of command (e.g., sports activities, extreme temperatures).

WEAR OF TRADITIONAL PATTERNS OF UNIFORMS

24. **Army Cadet Traditional Uniforms.** Army Cadets may wear patrol dress for special occasions at no expense to the public. Traditional uniforms shall only be worn at local corps events and only if the uniform is complete including all specific accoutrements. Traditional uniforms must conform to the Dress Regulations as prescribed by the applicable affiliated unit. Items of different uniforms must not be mixed. Research must be conducted to clearly identify the components and availability of period dress. CAF / affiliated units must authorize, in writing, the wear of their respective traditional uniforms / period dress. Corps COs must submit a request to the RCSU CO and have the support of the Regional CWO, detailing all components of the uniform prior to authority to wear being granted.

25. **Sea Cadet Traditional Uniform.** The navy blue square rig worn by the Royal Canadian Navy, prior to unification. It cannot be procured, cleaned, maintained or stored at public expense. Occasions for wear, to include:

- a. as authorized by the RCSU CO, for:
 - (1) battle of the Atlantic Commemorative ceremonies,
 - (2) remembrance Day ceremonies, and
 - (3) ceremony of the Flags.
- b. for other special ceremonial occasions as authorized by Comd Natl CJCR Sp Gp; and
- c. Annual Ceremonial Reviews (ACR) and graduation parades at a CTC are not viewed as occasions qualifying for wearing of the traditional dress.