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MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to This Headquarters
Commanders, Fort Jackson Partners in Excellence
Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices, This Headquarters

SUBJECT: Fort Jackson Policy Memorandum # 24 – Wear and Appearance of Uniforms and Civilian Attire

1. REFERENCES:

- a. AR 670-1 (Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia), 10 April 15.
- b. AR 600-63 (Army Health Promotion), 14 April 15.
- c. TRADOC Regulation (Reg) 350-6 (Enlisted Initial Entry Training Policies and Administration), 7 November 2013.
- d. Army Directive 2016-20 (Authorization to Use Headphones in Uniform), 6 May 2016.
- e. DA Pam 670-1 (Guide to the Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia), 1 July 2015.
- f. TM 10-227 (Fitting of Army Uniforms and Footwear), 10 June 2013.

2. GENERAL:

- a. This command policy establishes policy and procedures for the U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson (USATC&FJ) regarding the wear and appearance of Army uniforms and civilian attire.
- b. The Army is a service where discipline is judged, in part, by the manner in which a Soldier wears a prescribed uniform, as well as the individual's personal conduct. Soldiers must project a military image which leaves no doubt they live by a common set of military values and are guided by military order and discipline. All military uniforms will be worn and fitted in accordance with (IAW) AR 670-1, DA Pam 670-1, and TM 10-227. The Inter-service Training Review Organization (ITRO) personnel (Marine,

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Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard) will wear their uniforms according to their services' uniform policies and regulations. Army personnel are reminded that other services' uniform policies and regulations are different and are encouraged to become familiar with those documents. Clarification on the wear of military uniforms, as well as initial entry training (IET) uniform policies, is outlined in AR 670-1.

c. First and foremost, all military personnel have the general military authority to correct service members who are improperly wearing the uniform—regardless of rank or duty position. Use of proper military courtesy is expected. For example: identify yourself, state the deficiency, and ask the Service member to make the correction. All Soldiers will be made aware that portions of AR 670-1 contain policy provisions, which are punitive; violations of the specific prohibitions may result in adverse administrative action and/or charges under the provisions of the uniform code of military justice (UCMJ).

d. Leaders at all levels are responsible for disseminating and enforcing this command policy to all service members (IET Soldiers, service members attending training, or permanent party) and visitors prior to and during their time on Fort Jackson.

3. POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

a. Army combat uniform (ACU). The ACU/service equivalent is the duty uniform at Fort Jackson unless directed otherwise by the command. Note: ACU family consists of both the universal camo pattern (UCP) and the operational camo pattern (OCP).

(1) Wearing of the ACU to visit any off-post establishment after 2100 is not authorized. An exception is when service members must visit off-post gas stations or convenience-type stores for fuel, convenience items only, mission, and or emergency situations.

(2) The dark brown or tan neck gaiter is authorized for optional wear with appropriate headgear during cold weather conditions and may be worn as a neck warmer/hood with only the cold weather jacket.

(3) Security identification badges will not be worn outside of the facilities in which they are required and will be secured on your person.

(4) Acting noncommissioned officer (NCO) brassards/patches are not authorized for wear on any uniform outside the battalion/brigades footprint. This includes while IET Soldiers are on pass. IET NCO brassards/patches will only consist of rank from corporal to staff sergeant.

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(5) Soldiers will not remove their ACU blouse while operating military or privately owned vehicles on or off the installation.

(6) Universal combat pattern (UCP)/operational combat pattern (OCP) pattern personal hydration systems may be worn in cantonment and field training locations at the discretion of the commander, but will not be worn off the installation.

(7) The earplug case, with earplugs, will be accessible at all times and worn when exposed to hazardous noises, levels of impulse/impact noises (such as explosions and weapons firing) and/or steady-state noises (such as military vehicles, aircraft, and/or generators).

(8) The foliage green (until 1 October 2019) or black fleece cap may be worn as the primary headgear at the commander's discretion from the end of daylight saving time (the first Sunday in November) to the beginning of daylight saving time (the second Sunday in March). The extended wear date is 31 March; however, temperatures must be at or below 32 degrees for wear within or outside prescribed dates except specific cases at the commander's discretion. For example: gate guards or other personnel exposed to cold weather elements for a prolonged period may be authorized via command discretion to wear the foliage green or black fleece cap. This guidance applies to all services on Fort Jackson. NOTE: The Fleece cap must be worn with cold weather gear (for example, fleece/field/gortex jacket and gloves). The fleece cap will not be worn off the installation.

(9) The ACU may be worn in lieu of the improved physical fitness uniform as required during certain physical training events. Modifications to the ensemble (running shoes versus boots or without patches and wear during PT hours) are at the commander's discretion.

(10) The wearing of camouflage within the cantonment area to visit any AAFES/post services or facilities is prohibited. The only exceptions are during transportation to and from training, within the battalion/brigade footprint, and for convenience items at the 24hr Shoppette located on Magruder Avenue.

b. Improved physical fitness uniform (IPFU)/Army physical fitness uniform (APFU).

(1) The IPFU/APFU/Service equivalent is the only uniform that will be worn during unit physical training (PT) sessions or individual PT that is normally conducted between 0430 and 0800, unless a Service member is in an off-duty status such as leave or pass. At the commander's discretion, approved distinctive unit PT shirts are

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also authorized for wear with service's fitness uniform during designated PT hours.

Wearing these uniforms to visit any on-post or off-post establishment is not authorized. An exception to this policy is when a service member must visit on-post or off-post gas station for fuel and convenience items between 0430 and 0800. The only other exceptions are traveling to and from physical training (PT) formations, medical appointments requiring the service member to wear the IPFU/APFU and/or dropping children off at daycare. Commanders may also authorize the wear of a clean, unsoiled IPFU/APFU in their dining facilities and in their unit area(s) during field training exercise (FTX) recovery operations.

(2) All formations, whether marching or running, will have appropriate road guards (front and back) with the necessary safety equipment (reflective vest/belts and flashlights) according to size of formation. Anyone outside the base formation (such as leaders on the side of the formation) will wear a reflective vest. Reflective belts are authorized for wear when conducting individual or unit PT.

(3) All personnel, including military Family members and Civilians, will wear either a high-visibility shirt, reflective belt, or vest when conducting any outdoor fitness sessions including walking, hiking, running, or biking on all Fort Jackson roads. All personnel will maximize use of sidewalks and troop trails. Where none exists, the use of the left side of the roadway and movement in single file facing, and yielding to, oncoming traffic is authorized. All personnel must utilize identified crosswalks when crossing roads.

c. General areas of interest.

(1) Ear Pads - All service members on Fort Jackson will comply with Army Directive 2016-20, 6 May 2016.

(2) Intent – Allow individuals in uniform conducting individual PT to listen to music of their choice while in indoor physical fitness facilities. It is not to allow service members to disengage from their professional obligations as a member of the Armed Forces. Individuals will maintain situational awareness and conduct themselves appropriately while conducting physical training within the government facility.

(3) Use of an electronic device while in any service uniform (for example to talk to someone, record audio or video, text messaging, sending emails, or listening to music) while walking/running outside is prohibited.

(4) Service members are not authorized to wear wireless or non-wireless

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devices/earpieces while wearing service uniforms. The only authorized exception is a hands-free device while operating a motor vehicle, or while conducting individual PT in an indoor gym/fitness center while in duty uniform.

(5) Headphones or ear buds can be worn while conducting fitness exercise in civilian clothing. When running and walking, headphones and ear buds are only authorized along secure routes such as sidewalks, running trails, troop trails, and gym. Use of headphones and ear buds while running or walking on the road is not authorized.

(6) Regardless of the uniform, appropriate protective helmets and safety gear will be worn operating a bicycle, motorcycle, or all-terrain vehicles (ATV).

(7) All personnel are prohibited from smoking in the vicinity of any PT formation/activity; outdoor tracks; troop trails or fields; morale, welfare, and recreation (MWR) fitness activities, and stationary road guard points.

(8) During PT or during formations/formation movement, the consumption and presence of beverages other than water/beverages provided by the services members unit is not authorized.

(9) Drill sergeants will wear the campaign hat throughout all activities while wearing the ACU/ASU. Exceptions are made for alternate head gear (patrol cap/Army combat helmet/fleece cap) while conducting tactical foot marches, inside bivouac sites, ranges, or when the temperature drops below 32 degrees in the above mentioned areas. Drill sergeants have the responsibility to preserve and maintain the campaign hat. Therefore, in inclement weather (rain/snow), Drill sergeants will wear the hat cover and will have possession of the rain cover on their person at all times. Drill sergeants will not wear the campaign hat inside facilities of the installation that are outside of their battalion/brigade footprints.

(10) When conducting official engagements off the installation the following protocol will be used: formal—Mess Dress/ASU, informal—Class A, business casual—Class B, and casual—UCP/OCP.

d. Civilian attire for all service members and civilians.

(1) Civilian clothing must be in good taste. "Sagging" or wearing trousers or shorts where underwear are visible is in poor taste and inappropriate for all personnel on Fort Jackson. Items intended as undergarments are not acceptable as outer garments in public places, to include, but not limited to, the Post Exchange (PX), theaters,

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Commissary, service clubs, chapels, dining facilities, and medical and dental facilities. Clothing which is excessively dirty or is adorned with vulgar and obscene slogans or designs is prohibited on Fort Jackson. Civilian clothes which service members choose for off-duty wear should be in good taste and appropriate for the occasion. While "short shorts" and "halter" are appropriate for sunbathing, they are not allowed in on-post facilities except for the pools/waterpark. Garments with profanity, sexually explicit language, racial intent, or graphics which detract from good order and discipline are not permitted.

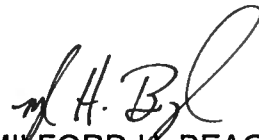
(2) Articles of clothing which are cut out or are transparent, excessively tight, and serve to immodestly accentuate the sexual characteristics of the wearer are prohibited. This provision does not prohibit reasonably tight clothing worn during appropriate activities at the pools/waterpark, sunbathing, beauty pageants, bodybuilding competitions, fashion shows, and athletic activities/PT.

(3) When civilian clothing has been authorized by competent authority for wear in a duty status in lieu of a uniform, the civilian clothing will be of the same comparable degree of formality as the uniform prescribed for such duty. Standards of dress and appearance will be conservative and meet the same high standards established for personnel in uniform.

(4) Shoes must be worn at all times in all on-post establishments. At a minimum, sandals or flip-flops will be worn; no bare feet.

(5) Service members and DA Civilians are responsible for ensuring their Family members and guest adhere to this policy while on Fort Jackson.

4. Point of contact for this memorandum is the USATC&FJ CSM at 803-751-7415.



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