



UNIFORM NEWSGRAM



NAVADMIN 285/22 - Navy Uniform Policy update on recent Navy uniform policy initiatives.

Cold Weather Parka (CWP) Wear

The black cold weather parka is authorized for optional wear with the Navy Working Uniform (NWU) Type III in non-operational environments and, when the wear of camouflage is not a mission requirement.

		Dinner Dress Blue/Blue Jacket	Dinner Dress White/White Jacket	Full Dress Blue	Full Dress White	Svc Dress Blue	Svc Dress White	Svc Khaki Svc Uniform	Summer White	NWU Type III
Outerwear										
Cold Weather Parka		✓ (E1-E6 only)	✓ (E1-E6 only)	✓ (E1-E6 only)	✓ (E1-E6 only)	✓	✓	✓	✓	***

***** Optional wear of the black cold weather parka (CWP) with the Navy Working Uniform type III (NWU Type III) is only authorized ashore in non-operational and non-industrial environments when the wear of camouflage is not a mission requirement.**

FAQ

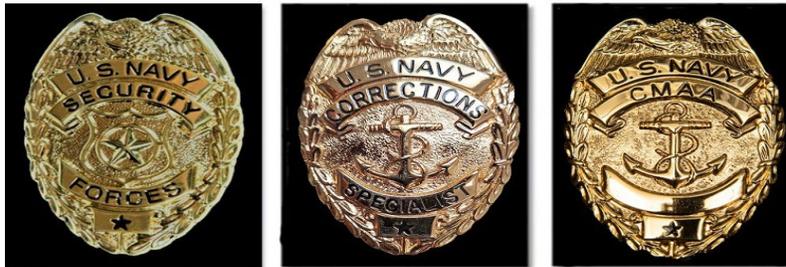
Q: Can the black cold weather parka be worn at sea or in industrial environments with the Navy Working Uniform?

A: No. The wear of the cold weather parka with the Navy Working Uniform is only authorized ashore in non-operational/non-industrial environments providing wearing full camouflage is not required.

Cover Photo: Amphibious assault ship USS Tripoli (LHA 7) steams through the Pacific Ocean. Photo by SN C. Syper (Source: www.dvidshub.net)

Navy Security Force (NSF) Identification Badge and NSF Qualification Insignia

The four digit alpha-numeric serial number on the NSF ID badge is being replaced with a black engraved star centered at the base of the badge. The four digit serialized badges will remain authorized for wear until the NSF is no longer required to perform NSF duties or separates from naval service.



Navy Security Forces Corrections Specialist Chief Master-at-Arms

FAQ

Q: Will NSF Sailors be allowed to wear the previous badges with serial numbers?

A: Yes. The existing four-digit, alpha numeric serialized badges will continue to be worn by personnel previously issued until they separate from the Navy or are no longer assigned security force duties in which their badge will no longer be worn.

New NSF qualification insignia. Four new qualification breast insignia is authorized for wear by qualified NSF Sailors.



Navy Security Force (NSF)
Officer



Navy Security Force (NSF)
Master Specialist



Navy Security Force (NSF)
Senior Specialist



Navy Security Force (NSF)
Specialist

Earrings

Female Sailors are authorized to optionally wear 4mm to 6mm or approximately 1/8 inch to 1/4 inch) round earring studs. Authorized for wear with every uniform include earrings that are silver, white or yellow gold, white pearl and colorless diamonds. Commanding officers may restrict the wear of earrings if determined to be a safety hazard.



Silver Earring



White or Yellow Gold Earring



White Pearl Earring



Colorless Diamond Earring

Note: Synthetic variants of pearl or diamond earrings are acceptable if they meet color and size criteria.

FAQ

Q: What earring shape is authorized for wear while in uniform?

A: The only shape authorized for wear for earrings is round, no other shape is authorized.

Q: What are the authorized dimensions of earrings for females while in uniform?

A: The authorized dimensions of earrings for females while in uniform are 4mm – 6mm (approximately 1/8 -1/4 inch).

Q: When are males allowed to wear earrings?

A: For males, earrings may be worn with civilian clothing while in a leave or liberty status on or off military installation and when travelling in a government vehicle, or while participating in any organized military recreational activities ashore unless otherwise prohibited by prescribing authority.

Physical Training Uniform (PTU) Fitness Suit

The Physical Training Uniform Fitness suit is now available without reflective piping for both the jacket and pants. The alternate design maintains the same color scheme and component configuration. However, the alternate design does not include reflective piping on the jacket sleeve, chest, back and pockets additionally the reflective piping is not included on the sides of the pants. The alternate design fitness suit jacket will be available for purchase at your local Navy Exchange Uniform Center commencing December 2022. The alternate design pants are expected to be available by approximately May 2023. Contact your local Navy Exchange Uniform Center for more details regarding local availability in your assigned area.



FAQ

Q: Should I wear a reflective belt or vest with PTU components?

A: It is highly recommended for Sailors to wear a reflective device (vest or belt) that provides 360 reflectivity when performing physical fitness activities such as jogging during the hours of low or reduced visibility. When in doubt, discuss with your chain of command.

Dinner Dress Blue and Dinner Dress White Jacket

Wear and possession of the Dinner Dress Blue Jacket uniform is now required for officers O5 through O10 vice O4 through O10. Optional wear of the Dinner Dress Blue or White Jacket uniform remains authorized for E1 through O4 personnel.



Men's Dinner Dress Blue Jacket



Women's Dinner Dress White Jacket

FAQ

Q: When is the Dinner Dress Blue or White Jacket uniform authorized for wear?

A: During official functions where dinner dress is prescribed for wear or during civilian events where black tie is the required dress.

Female Officer/CPO Summer White Belted Slacks and Skirts

The female officer/CPO white belted slacks and skirts are authorized for wear with both Summer White and Service Dress White uniforms. The unbelted white slacks and skirts are optional for wear with the Dress White Uniform only.



Summer White Slacks, Standard Waist



Summer White Slacks, Low Waist



Belted White Skirt, A-line



Belted White Skirt, Straight Line



Unbelted White Skirt

FAQ

Q: When can Summer Whites be worn?

A: Summer Whites can be worn during the summer uniform wear period for office work, watch-standing, liberty or business when prescribed as uniform of the day.

Maternity Pilot Program (MPP)

Announced in NAVADMIN 284/21, the Navy's Maternity Pilot Program launched January 2, 2022, and will conclude September 30, 2026. The MPP provides enlisted and officer, active or reserve Sailors worldwide free maternity uniforms. The maternity uniforms and components issued to participants may be new or re-issued.

The MPP offers, at no cost to the Sailor, a full seabag of Navy maternity uniform items including sewn-on embroidery for working uniforms and rank insignia for enlisted E1-E6 dress uniforms. Hemming and shipping are also free.

Applying for participation in the program is relative easy. An Instruction Guide that provides step by step guidance is available via the Navy Maternity Pilot webpage on MyNavy HR at: <https://mynavyhr.navy.mil/References/US-Navy-Uniforms/Maternity-Pilot-Program/>

Once approval is granted and application is fully processed, the applicant will be shipped fully tailored maternity uniforms free of charge. The maternity uniforms can be utilized until up to six months post-partum (pending Commanding Officer's approval). When the participant no longer requires the maternity uniforms, they must be shipped to the Navy Exchange Service Command's (NEXCOM) Southeast Distribution Center via a pre-paid shipping label.

FAQ

Q: Can I participate in the Maternity Pilot Program if I have received a maternity allowance for my current pregnancy?

A: No. Applicants cannot participate in the MPP if they have received a maternity allowance for their current pregnancy.

Q: What happens to the maternity uniforms once they are returned to NEXCOM?

A: Upon receipt, NEXCOM will inspect, demilitarize, sanitize, restock and re-issue maternity uniforms that are in re-issuable condition.

Q: Where can I find more information about the Maternity Pilot Program?

A: On the Uniform Matters website at:

<https://www.mynavyhr.navy.mil/References/US-Navy-Uniforms/Maternity-Pilot-Program/>

or the NEX website at:

https://www.mynavyexchange.com/browse/military/navy/_/N-1244704230

Q: How much do I have to pay for tailoring?

A: Nothing. The uniforms are tailored to fit based on the sizing information the Sailor provides on her Maternity Uniform Measurement Sheet.



LT Alvarez, participant of the Navy MPP opens her box of free, pre-tailored Navy maternity uniforms. (Photo by MC1 Faram)



Maternity Uniforms: Service Dress Blues (SDB), Navy Service Uniform (NSU), Navy Working Uniform Type III (NWU), Service Khaki and Service Dress White. (Photo: www.MyNavyHR.com)



Maternity Cardigan Sweater (Photo: NEXCOM)