ANNEX D- Duty (Nov 4, 2026)

A. Duty

1. Authorization for Wear: The cadet duty uniform is authorized for year-round wear by all members of the Corps of Cadets. The duty uniform, with authorized variations, will be worn on duty, for class and other functions as directed. It is not for off campus wear unless authorized.

2. Fit:

i. Duty Trousers are to be fitted and worn with the lower edge of the waistband at the tip of the hipbone, plus or minus ½ inch.

ii. The trousers must be long enough so the rear is falling further than halfway between the back of the collar and the top of the heel of the shoe. The trousers may not be so long as to surpass the top of the heel or create an excessively baggy appearance around the shoe. See figures **7.5.1 – 7.5.4.**

iii. The gray shirt must be tucked tightly and uniformly around the front of the waist with minimal bunching or bagging. Excess material is pulled back behind the waist and folded into two pleats along the left and right back creases of the shirt. See figures **7.5.5 – 7.5.7.**

a. Shirt garters are strongly recommended to achieve this appearance.

iv. The seam of the shirt placket, the right edge of the belt buckle, and the trouser fly seam will be in vertical alignment to create the "gig line." See figure **7.5.8.**



Figure 7.5.1 – Trouser length must surpass the length threshold, but not the limit.



Figure 7.5.2 – Perfectly lengthened trousers.

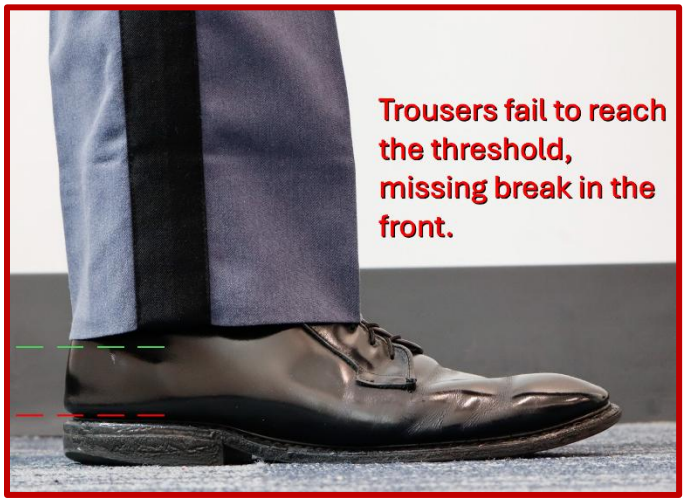


Figure 7.5.3 – Trousers too short.



Figure 7.5.4 – Trousers too long



Figure 7.5.5 – Shirt is tucked tightly and uniformly around the front.



Figure 7.5.6 – Excess material folded inward into two pleats. The pleats are highlighted light green.



Figure 7.5.8 – Gig line, outlined in green.

3. Composition:

i. Gray short sleeve shirt.
ii. White crew neck undershirt.
    a. The visible portion of the crew neck shirt will be splayed across the chest so it is completely flat, free of wrinkles, and angled horizontally even with the neck.
iii. Duty trousers- blue-gray with black braid.
iv. Black web belt, with brass buckle and brass tips.
    a. The front brass tip will extend slightly past the left edge of the buckle to cover the buckle, but not so far as to over-expose the black webbing between the tip and the front of the buckle. The rear brass tip will not extend past the right edge of the buckle. See figure **7.5.9.**
v. Black Oxford shoes, with black socks.
    a. The leather of the black oxford shoes will be shined regularly as close as possible to a mirror finish.
vi. Headgear—black garrison cap.
    a. Proper wear: The garrison cap is worn with the front vertical crease of the cap centered on the forehead in a straight line with the nose, with the front lower portion of the cap approximately 1 inch above the eyebrows (approximately the width of the first two fingers). The cap is placed on the head in such a manner that the front and rear vertical creases and the top edge of the crown form unbroken lines in silhouette, and so the ridge of the cap is parallel to the ground while standing at attention. Personnel will not crush or shape the crown of the cap to form peaks at the top front or top rear of the cap.
    b. The garrison cap should be brushed regularly to remove dirt and lint.
    c. Insignia: All cadet officers and NCOs will wear the rank insignia on the left curtain of the garrison cap, vertically centered from the white/black piping to the bottom edge of the cap, parallel to, and one inch back from the forward edge of the cap. See figures **7.5.10 and 7.5.11.**

d. Upper class cadets (1st, 2nd and 3rd class) caps are identified by white piping. 4th class cadets will be plain black in color
e. The garrison cap may be carried underneath the belt on the right side of the person in between the 1st and 2nd belt loops. The left curtain of the cap will be facing outward, and the rear of the cap will protrude approximately 1 ½ inches (width of two fingers) above the belt. See figure **7.5.12.**
f. Black or white service cap may be worn in lieu of garrison cap if prescribed.

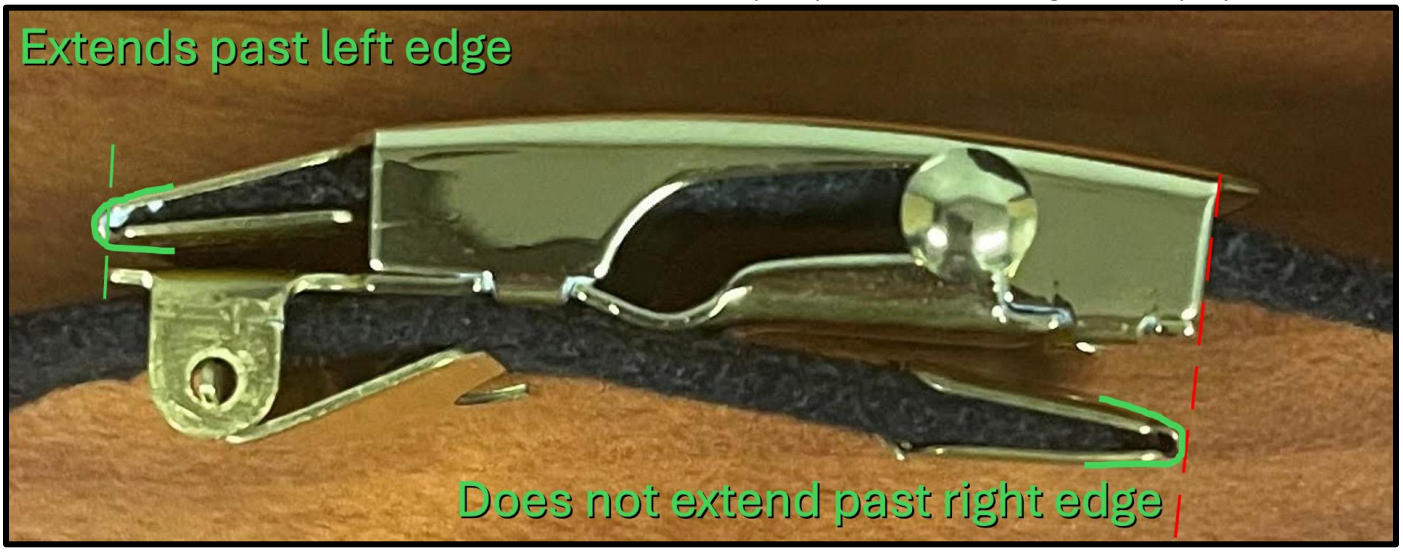


Figure 7.5.9 – Belt buckle with properly lengthened brass tips.

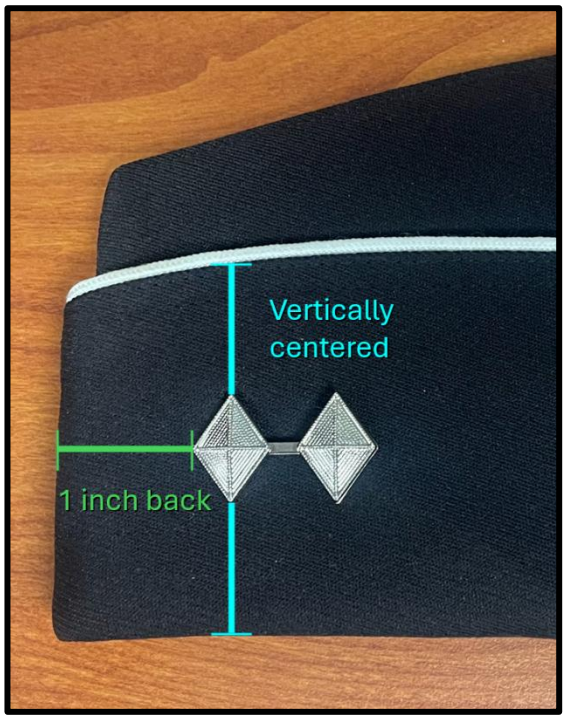


Figure 7.5.10 – Cadet officer rank insignia 1 inch back from the front of the garrison cap and centered.

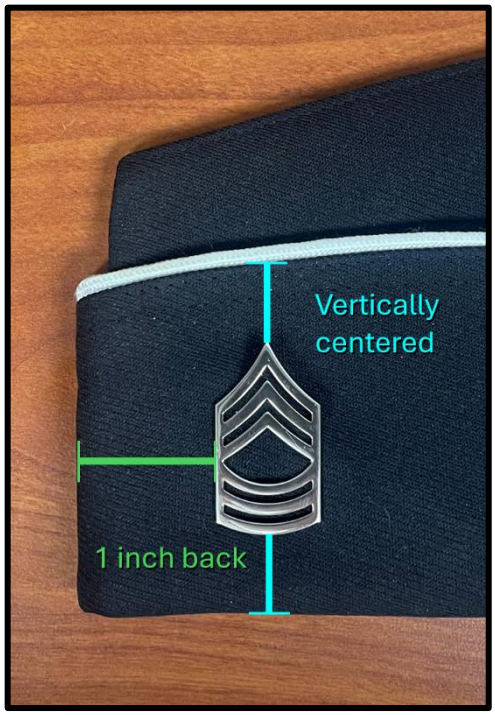


Figure 7.5.11 – Cadet NCO rank insignia 1 inch back from the front of the garrison cap and centered.



Figure 7.5.12 – Proper placement of the garrison cap when being carried under the belt.

4. Insignia and Accouterments:

i. All insignias worn on the collars will be centered top to bottom, parallel to and ½ inch back from the front edge of the collar. See figures **7.5.13 and 7.5.14**.

ii. Maximum number of two badges authorized to be worn above the right breast pocket. Badges are placed vertically and centered with 1/8 inch spacing. **See figure 7.5.15.**

iii. Class numeral or rank insignia will be worn on the right collar of the gray duty shirt and company letters or battalion staff numerals on the left collar. Regimental staff wears rank on both collars.

iv. Authorized insignia and accouterments:

a. Rank insignia, non-subdued.
b. Unit insignia, non-subdued (company / class).
c. Headgear insignia, non-subdued.
d. Name plate.
    i. Worn centered and flush with the top edge of the right breast pocket.
e. R.O.T.C contract/scholarship badge.
f. R.O.T.C. Distinguished Cadet badge.
g. U.S. Military branch insignia (for seniors who have been assigned branch designations).
h. Foreign Military contract or scholarship badge.
i. Police Corps scholarship badge.
j. RECONDO badge.
k. Scales of Justice badge.
l. Special skill identifier badges (basic parachutist, rigger, air assault, etc).
m. Honor society badge.
n. Distinguished Scholars Program badge.
o. Presidents 100 Badge
p. Drill Master Badge
    i. Worn centered on the right breast pocket

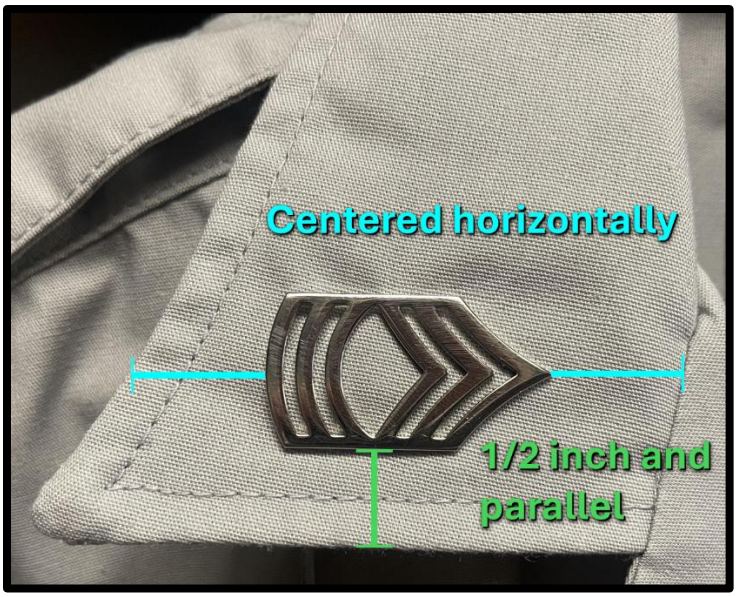


Figure 7.5.13 – Proper placement of C/MSG rank insignia on the collar.

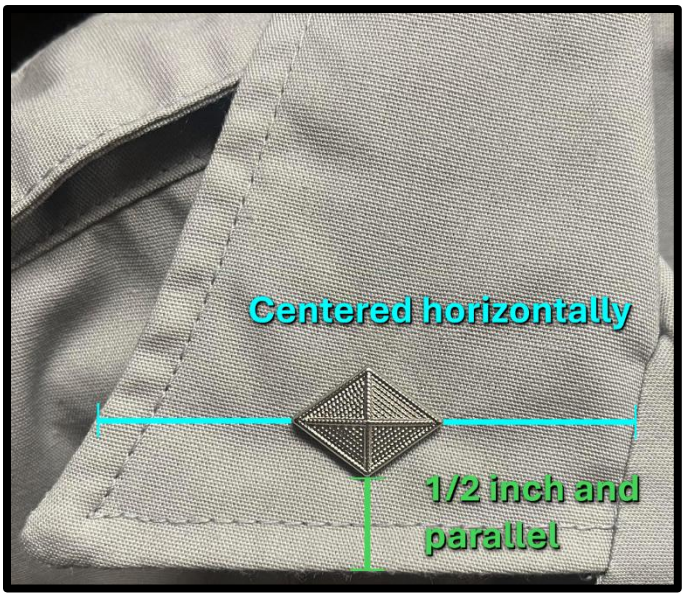


Figure 7.5.14 – Proper placement of C/MAJ rank insignia on the collar.



Figure 7.5.15 – Proper placement of the name plate, Scales of Justice badge, and Distinguished Scholars Program badge.

5. Field Jacket

i. Authorization for Wear: The field jacket is worn only with the duty uniform. The field jacket will be removed and hung on the back of the wearer's chair when dining or sitting in the mess hall, this must be done prior to moving to the food lines. Jacket may be unzipped 3 inches from the top when worn.

ii. Insignia, Patches, and Accouterments:

a. Cadet officers will wear their rank insignia on black epaulets slid onto the shoulder loops of the field jacket. Cadet NCOs will wear their rank insignia on the shoulder loops of the field jacket.

i. Cadet Officer insignias are centered on the epaulet, lengthwise. See figures **7.5.19 and 7.5.20.**

ii. Cadet NCO insignias are centered on the shoulder loops, with the chevrons pointing toward the button. See figure **7.5.21.**

b. Citadel Seal-Left Sleeve just below shoulder.

c. Class Numeral-Right Sleeve just below shoulder. This class numeral will represent the class that a cadet matriculated with, even if they are scheduled to graduate early.

d. LEGACY PATCH-Cadets who have an immediate family member (Father, Mother Grandfather, Grandmother, Brother, Sister) who has graduated from The Citadel may wear their family member's class numeral patch under their own class numeral patch on the right sleeve of the field jacket. Only one extra class numeral patch may be worn on the sleeve. The patch must be purchased from the tailor shop.

e. Company Tab-Above Citadel seal on left shoulder.

f. Name Tag-Right Chest.

iii. **Approved Optional Patches**

a. LEFT CHEST: Cadets will choose one (1) of the following patches listed below to wear on their left chest. Patch will be centered 5 ½ inches below shoulder seam.
   i. Large Block "C" Patch (Varsity Sports).
   ii. Small Block "C" Patch (Club Sports).
   iii. Club Patch. Approved list of club patches can be obtained from club coordinator in Cadet Activities.

b. RIGHT Chest:
   i. Varsity and club athletes who choose to wear their respective Block "C" Patch on their left chest may choose one other patch (of the ones listed above) to wear on their right chest. Club Patch. Approved list of club patches can be obtained from club coordinator in Cadet Activities.
   ii. Drill master patch will be centered 1/8th of an inch above the name tag.
   iii. Club Patch. Approved list of club patches can be obtained from club coordinator in Cadet Activities.
   iv. Physical Fitness Excellence Badge as authorized by the Director of the Physical Readiness Program.

c. RIGHT SLEEVE ABOVE CLASS NUMERAL:
   i. Junior Sword Patch.
   ii. Ranger Challenge Patch.
   iii. Honors Program Patch.

d. RIGHT SLEEVE BELOW CLASS NUMERAL:
   i. Distinguished Scholars Program Patch.

e. LEFT SLEEVE- ROTC Patches: Cadets may choose one (1) of the patches listed below to wear under The Citadel Seal on left sleeve:
   i. Air Force ROTC- Air Force ROTC Patch.
   ii. Army ROTC- AROTC Palmetto Battalion Patch.
   iii. Coast Guard- Coast Guard Auxiliary Patch.
   iv. Navy ROTC – Navy ROTC Patch
   v. Marine ROTC- Navy ROTC Patch.

f. Combat veteran soldiers may wear a "Combat Veteran" patch. The "Combat Veteran" patch will be under The Citadel Seal and above the ROTC Patch (if ROTC patch is opted).



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