

Ammendment to AR 670-1

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An amendment to AR 670-1 Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia in the form of an ALARACT message came out yesterday. It pertains mostly to wear of the ACU and other new clothing items as well as some other do's and don't's. No news yet on when the new AR 670-1 will be published but the guidance in this ALARACT message will be included when it is.

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SUBJECT: AR 670-1, 3 FEB 05, WEAR AND APPEARANCE OF ARMY UNIFORMS AND INSIGNIA

1. THIS MESSAGE SERVES AS IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHANGES TO THE WEAR POLICY OUTLINED IN AR 670-1 AND MESSAGES OUTLINING THE WEAR POLICY FOR THE ARMY COMBAT UNIFORM (ACU).
2. THE ARMY WHITE UNIFORM IS NO LONGER AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR.
3. AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-14A IS CHANGED TO READ: SOLDIERS MAY WEAR A WRISTWATCH, A WRIST IDENTIFICATION BRACELET, AND A TOTAL OF TWO RINGS (A WEDDING SET IS CONSIDERED ONE RING) WITH ARMY UNIFORMS, UNLESS PROHIBITED BY THE COMMANDER FOR SAFETY OR HEALTH REASONS. JEWELRY WORN BY SOLDIERS MUST BE CONSERVATIVE AND IN GOOD TASTE. IDENTIFICATION BRACELETS ARE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING: MEDICAL ALERT BRACELETS, MIA, POW, AND KIA (BLACK OR SILVER IN COLOR ONLY) BRACELETS. SOLDIERS ARE ONLY AUTHORIZED TO WEAR ONE ITEM ON EACH WRIST.
4. JEWELRY OUTLINED IN AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-14A AND PENS/PENCILS WORN IN THE PEN/PENCIL SLOTS ON THE ACU COAT CAN BE EXPOSED. NOTE: THERE ARE NO STIPULATIONS ON THE COLORS OF PENS/PENCILS WORN IN THE SLOTS ON THE ACU COAT. OTHER AUTHORIZED EXCEPTIONS ARE RELIGIOUS ITEMS DESCRIBED IN AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-7B, A CONSERVATIVE TIE TACK OR TIE CLASP THAT MALE SOLDIERS WEAR WITH THE BLACK FOUR-IN-HAND NECKTIE AND A PEN OR PENCIL THAT MAY APPEAR EXPOSED ON THE HOSPITAL DUTY, FOOD SERVICE, COMBAT VEHICLE CREWMAN UNIFORM, OR FLIGHT UNIFORMS.
5. AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-9A(2)(B) IS CHANGED TO PROHIBIT WEAR OF WIRELESS BLUETOOTH DEVICES AND NON-WIRELESS EAR PIECES WHILE WEARING ARMY UNIFORMS, EXCEPT WHILE OPERATING A COMMERCIAL OR MILITARY VEHICLE (TO INCLUDE A MOTORCYCLE OR BICYCLE).
6. AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-15 IS CHANGED AUTHORIZING SOLDERS WEAR OF BALLISTIC SPECTACLE EYE PROTECTION ISSUED BY THE ARMY.
7. AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-10E(2) IS CHANGED AUTHORIZING WEAR OF THE BLACK, ACU UNIVERSAL

PATTERN, FOLIAGE GREEN, DESERT CAMOUFLAGE PATTERN GYM BAGS, CIVILIAN RUCKSACKS, OR OTHER SIMILAR CIVILIAN BAGS WHILE IN UNIFORM. THE REMAINING WEAR POLICIES OUTLINED IN AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 1-10E(2) STILL APPLIES.

8. NON-SUBDUED SSI (S) ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN ON UTILITY UNIFORMS AS A SSI OR SSI-FWTS. LEADERS WILL ENSURE SOLDIERS COMPLY IMMEDIATELY. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO POLICY CURRENTLY APPROVED AUTHORIZING WEAR OF ANY NON-SUBDUED SSI ON UTILITY UNIFORMS.

9. COMBAT, SPECIAL SKILL, AND IDENTIFICATION BADGES ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN ON THE ACU IN FIELD OR IN DEPLOYED ENVIRONMENTS.

10. SUBDUED PIN ON OR SEWN ON RANK IS WORN ON THE ACU SUN (BOONIE) HAT AND THE ACU PATROL CAP.

11. AR 670-1, PARAGRAPHS 6-2C(4), 6-5E, AND 12-2C(1) IS CHANGED AUTHORIZING WEAR OF THE BLACK LEATHER BOOTS, TAN COMBAT BOOTS, OR OPTIONAL TAN BOOTS SIMILAR TO THE TAN COMBAT BOOTS WITH THE AIRCREW BATTLE DRESS UNIFORM AND THE FLIGHT UNIFORM.

12. THE MILITARY POLICE (MP), EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD), AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION (CID) INSIGNIAS ARE AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN ON THE ACU. THE INSIGNIAS ARE PLACED DIRECTLY ON TOP OF THE HOOK AND LOOP-FACED PAD ALREADY PROVIDED ON THE LEFT SLEEVE OF THE ACU COAT SHOULDER POCKET FLAP. THE INSIGNIAS ARE WORN AS DIRECTED BY THE COMMANDER.

13. THE FOLLOWING INSIGNIAS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN ON THE ACU: BLOOD TYPES, COMBAT LIFESAVERS (CLS), MEDIC, ALLERGIES, ARABIC NAMETAPES, NO KNOWN DRUG ALLERGIES (NKDA), NO KNOWN ALLERGIES (NKA), PENICILLIN (PEN), ETC.

14. AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 14-2 IS CHANGED AUTHORIZING WEAR OF THE FOLLOWING CAPS WITH THE IMPROVED PHYSICAL FITNESS UNIFORM (IPFU): BLACK KNIT CAP, FOLIAGE GREEN MICRO FLEECE CAP OR BLACK MICRO FLEECE CAP.

15. THE BLACK OR TAN RIGGER BELTS ARE AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN WITH THE ACU.

16. BLACK, TAN, OR GREEN SOCKS ARE AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN WITH THE ACU.

17. LAST NAMETAPE WILL BE WORN ON THE ACU PARKA, COLD WEATHER (GORTEX) (GENERATION II). ALL PERSONNEL WILL WEAR THE NAMETAPE ON THE LEFT-SLEEVE POCKET FLAP. THE NAMETAPE WILL BE CENTERED LEFT TO RIGHT ON THE BOTTOM OF THE POCKET FLAP. PERSONNEL ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO WEAR THE NAMETAPE IN ANY OTHER LOCATION ON THE PARKA OTHER THAN THE BOTTOM OF THE POCKET FLAP. PERSONNEL ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO EMBROIDER THE NAMETAPE DIRECTLY ON THE POCKET FLAP, OR WEAR AN OLIVE GREEN OR UNIVERSAL CAMOUFLAGE PATTERN NAMETAPE WITH HOOK AND LOOP FASTENER ON THE GENERATION II GORTEX PARKA. THE NAMETAPE IS A STRIP OF UNIVERSAL CAMOUFLAGE PATTERN OR OLIVE-GREEN CLOTH, 5 1/4 INCHES LONG AND 1/2 INCH WIDE WITH 1/4 INCH BLOCK LETTERING. THE NAMETAPE CAN ACCOMMODATE UP TO 14 CHARACTERS. NO OTHER SIZE NAMETAPE IS AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN ON THE ACU GORTEX PARKA (GENERATION II).

18. BOOTS WITH ZIPPERS OR SNEAKER-TYPE CONSTRUCTION ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN WITH THE ACU.

19. THE SLEEVE CUFFS ON THE ACU COAT ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE ROLLED INSIDE THE ACU COAT.

20. SUNGLASSES ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE HUNG ON UNIFORMS OR FROM RESTRAINTS DOWN THE FRONT OF UNIFORMS, ATTACHED TO CHAINS, BANDS OR RIBBONS, WHILE IN A GARRISON ENVIRONMENT.

21. SOLDIERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO STORE THE HEADGEAR WHEN IT IS NOT WORN. SOLDIERS MAY STORE HEADGEAR IN THE ACU CARGO POCKETS. WHEN STORED, THE HEADGEAR MUST BE FOLDED NEATLY AND NOT PRESENT A BULKY APPEARANCE.

22. THE BLACK OR TAN (COLD WEATHER) MOISTURE WICKING SILK WEIGHT T-SHIRTS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO BE WORN UNDER THE ACU COAT IN PLACE OF THE TAN, FOLIAGE GREEN, OR BROWN T-SHIRTS. THE SILK WEIGHT (COLD WEATHER) T-SHIRTS WILL BE WORN AS UNDERGARMENTS ONLY.

23. SOLDIERS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO MODIFY THE BLACK EXTENDED COLD-WEATHER CLOTHING SYSTEM (ECWCS) FLEECE TO ADD HOOK AND LOOP PADS FOR THE LAST NAMETAPE, U.S. ARMY, AND RANK INSIGNIA.

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25. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DCS, G-1.

26. THIS AUTHORITY IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

27. EXPIRATION. THIS MESSAGE WILL EXPIRE UPON NEXT PUBLICATION OF AR 670-1.

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