Title
DRESS STANDARDS FOR UNIFORMED STAFF

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I. PURPOSE:

This policy establishes dress standards for uniformed staff in Department of Correction facilities and provides guidelines for the purchasing, issuing and wearing of the Departmental uniform.

II. POLICY STATEMENT:

The Commissioner, or designee, shall designate the staff in Department facilities that shall be required to wear the Department uniform and the type of uniform to be worn. The purpose of staff wearing a uniform is to promote discipline, order, self-respect, confidence, efficiency and morale among staff working in a facility. The uniform is to be worn to project a dignified image to foster confidence and respect by the public and offenders.

The Department shall develop procedures for the issuing of uniforms to all staff designated to wear these uniforms. Additionally, these procedures shall provide for the replacement of uniforms and uniform parts when they are no longer serviceable or do not permit the staff person to present a neat, clean and professional image. In order to ensure that the distribution of uniforms for staff is done in an efficient and cost effective manner, the Department shall implement a centralized warehouse and distribution location. This centralized warehouse and distribution location shall work with the facilities to ensure that new uniforms and replacement uniforms and parts are provided to staff in a timely and cost effective manner. Staff at this warehouse shall monitor the replacement of uniforms and shall assist in the development of appropriate specifications for these uniforms.
III. DEFINITIONS:

For the purpose of this policy and administrative procedures, the following definitions are presented:

A. CUSTODY STAFF: A person employed by the Department whose primary services is in the area of custody and security, including a Correctional or Youth Services Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, or Major.

B. CUSTODY SUPERVISOR: The highest ranking custody officer in a facility.

C. UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION CENTER (UDC): The centralized purchasing, storing and distribution point of custody uniforms for the Department.

D. PHYSICAL PLANT STAFF: A person employed by the Department whose primary services are in the area of Physical Plant, Preventive and Grounds Maintenance.

E. FACILITY UNIFORM REPRESENTATIVE: Facility assigned personnel (stores clerk) whose part time function is to perform uniform sizing, ordering, receiving, and distribution of individual uniform requests for uniformed staff assigned to the respective facility.

IV. AUTHORITY:

The Facility Head or designee shall have the authority to enforce the uniform dress code presented in these administrative procedures. For Juvenile facilities, the Executive Director of Youth Services shall be the final authority for uniform issues. For Adult facilities, the Executive Director of Adult Facilities shall be the final authority for uniform issues.

V. SPECIFICATIONS:

All uniforms and uniform parts shall be in accordance with specifications established for Department uniforms and approved by the Commissioner.

VI. DESIGNATION OF UNIFORMED STAFF:

A. Custody and Physical Plant staff members at all facilities, with the exception of Level 1 facilities, unless otherwise directed by the Commissioner, shall
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wear the designated Department uniform.

B. The Physical Plant Director shall not wear the uniform, but adhere to the dress code for non-uniformed staff presented in the administrative procedures for Policy 04-03-110, “Dress Standards for Department of Correction Non-Uniformed Staff.”

C. The Class A uniform shall be considered the standard custody uniform for all Custody posts, unless otherwise authorized in these procedures.

D. The uniform is property of the Indiana Department of Correction and shall be issued individually to staff and returned to the Department upon termination of employment or change in employment status that does not require the wearing of the uniform, unless specified within these procedures.

All uniforms shall be returned within seven (7) days of termination or change in employment status.

E. The Facility Head, or designee, shall ensure that assigned staff are in proper uniform, regardless of whether called for emergency while on or off duty.

VII. ON-DUTY USE OF THE UNIFORM:

A. Only the authorized uniform, uniform parts, accessories and/or equipment issued and listed in these administrative procedures or authorized in writing by the Commissioner or designee shall be worn. A neat and well-groomed appearance is fundamental to a uniformed custody staff person. Well-groomed custody staff enhances pride, esprit de corps, self-confidence and morale. Uniformed staff shall be groomed in accordance with the administrative procedures for Policy 04-03-109, “Grooming Standards for Department of Correction Staff.” The uniform shall be neat, clean, pressed, well-fitting and maintained in serviceable condition at all times. Authorized footwear shall be clean and shined/polished to a luster appropriate for the design of the footwear and assignment. The uniform shall be worn:

1. By all Custody and Physical Plant staff to whom issued while on duty, except as otherwise noted in these procedures;

2. Directly to and from work and when stopping for incidentals on the way to and from work provided the uniform is worn in the same manner as required while on duty;

3. In its entirety, as presented in these procedures and visible articles of
civilian or unauthorized clothing shall not be worn when wearing a uniform (See section XIX.B.2. for wearing of scarves);

4. Only with insignias and awards authorized by the Commissioner or designee;

5. Worn with black socks or combination black/white socks with only black portion of socks visible;

6. Class A uniforms require the wearing of a plain blue crew neck t-shirt with the dark navy polo shirt and a plain white crew neck t-shirt with the grey supervisor’s polo shirt purchased by the staff person. The t-shirt shall be clean and free from worn or fraying material

7. Class C uniforms require the wearing of a maroon crew neck t-shirt purchased by the staff member. The t-shirt shall be clean and free from worn or fraying material; and,

8. The Facility Head may exempt some staff from wearing the uniform when assigned to special assignments.

B. The facility Custody and Physical Plant staff shall ensure that the uniform is clean, pressed, worn properly and replaced when necessary.

1. Supervisors shall conduct informal inspection daily.

2. Documentation of all uniform deficiencies shall be kept in the staff member’s fact file for future reference and shall include the name of the inspecting supervisor.

C. At no time may uniform sweater or jacket sleeves be rolled up or turned under. Short sleeve shirts shall not be altered to shorten sleeves from manufacturer's specified length. All shirts shall be fitted at the collar to be snug and be no more than 1/2 inch larger than the neck with the collar properly buttoned and to minimize the exposure of the T-shirt.

D. Uniform items are issued for State business use only and are not to be used during off duty hours, unless traveling to or from work.

E. When wearing 10” Jump or 8” Tactical boots, trousers shall be properly bloused.

F. Uniform trousers shall be hemmed to departmental standards.
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G. If staff must wear white socks or hose for medical reasons, they shall wear the black socks over the white socks or hose while in uniform.

H. Custody staff shall not remove the uniform shirt to wear only the T-shirt, unless otherwise stipulated in these procedures; however, Physical Plant staff may be allowed to remove the uniform shirt with the approval of the Supervisor when environmental conditions are such that it is in the best interests of the staff person’s health and safety.

I. Caps and jackets may be removed when working an inside post. If the cap or jacket is removed, these articles must be placed in a secure area to prevent loss or damage.

J. Staff shall be required to reimburse the Department for the careless loss or damage to the uniform.

VIII. TYPES OF UNIFORMS:

The authorized Department uniforms are:

A. Class A Uniform: The style of uniform issued for custody staff for most posts.

B. Class B Uniform: The style of uniform worn by the Emergency Squads, K-9 Squad, Special Emergency Response Teams (SERT) and Cadre;

C. Class C Uniform: The style of uniform worn by the Physical Plant Staff and shall be grey in color.

D. Class D Uniform: The style of uniform worn for Honor Guard assignment.

E. Class E Uniform: The style of uniform worn by boot camp operations.

F. Special Issue Uniform Parts: Uniform Parts that are issued for shift duties that require special clothing or footwear and are issued from a control point.

G. Class B and Class D uniforms are authorized to be issued to an individual simultaneously with Class A, C and E assigned uniforms issues.

IX. CLASS A UNIFORM ISSUE:

A. Class A uniform issue shall consist of the following items and quantities:
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<td>Holder, Radio, Web, Black</td>
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<td>Boots, 6&quot; Leather Black</td>
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**B.**  Female staff, who for religious preferences, may opt to wear a uniform skirt. The skirt must be obtained from the UDC and is to be worn no higher than two inches (2”) below the knees. Shoes worn with the skirt shall be state-issued shoes or an appropriate shoe approved by the Custody Supervisor.

**C.**  Custody Staff assigned to supervise labor lines that incur harsh environments may request the wearing of Class D - 10” jump boots in place of the 6” boot.
The wearing of 10” boots requires Custody Supervisor’s approval and shall be forwarded to the UDC. Only one type of boot shall be issued to a staff person.

X. CLASS B UNIFORM ISSUE:

A. Class B uniform issued to E-squad, SERT, Cadre and K-9 staff shall consist of following items and quantities:

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<td>Suspenders (K-9 uniforms only)</td>
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<td>Jacket, Rain, Black</td>
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B. The appropriate team emblems shall be issued for the different teams.

C. Other uniform parts and equipment shall be listed in the Department’s Emergency Response Manual.

D. When Class B uniforms are issued to staff (for E-Squad, SERT or K-9 Unit use) the following two (2) options shall be implemented at the staff person’s facility:

1. Lockers may be provided for these staff. The lockers shall store uniforms/boots for these staff and allow these staff to don the appropriate uniform upon arrival at the facility. In this case, an appropriate area shall be provided to don the uniform; and/or,

2. Uniforms/boots will be issued to the staff person to take home for use when called to the facility to participate in appropriate
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assignments.

E. The Class B uniform requires the wearing of a plain khaki crew neck t-shirt. The t-shirt shall be clean and free from worn or fraying material.

F. Facilities shall start with one (1) team and shall convert to the new color uniform. Staff currently with uniforms will be “grandfathered” until the uniforms require replacement, at which time they will be issued the new uniform. All teams will be transitioned to the new color uniform within 24 months from the effective date of these administrative procedures.

XI. CLASS C UNIFORM ISSUE:

Class C Uniform issue shall consist of the following items and quantities:

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<td>Shirt, Short Sleeve w/Emblem, Grey or Uniform S/S Grey Polo w/Emblem</td>
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<td>Uniform L/S Grey Polo w/Emblem</td>
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<td>Jacket w/embrles, Black w/Emblem</td>
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<td>Pants, Uniform Grey</td>
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<td>Holder, Medical Soft Pack</td>
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<td>Boots, 6” Leather Black</td>
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XII. CLASS D UNIFORM ISSUE AND UTILIZATION:

A. Class D uniform issue shall consist of the following items and quantities:
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<td>Shirt, Uniform Short Sleeve w/Emblem, Fr. Blue</td>
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<td>Ties</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tie Clip (males only)</td>
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<td>Ascot, White</td>
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<td>Name Plate</td>
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<td>Shoulder cord: parade white</td>
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<td>Pants, Uniform Navy Blue w/Fr. Blue Stripe (unbloused, hemmed)</td>
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<td>Belt, Pistol, White, Leather military style;</td>
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<td>Gloves, Parade, white;</td>
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<td>Overcoat, Uniform, Navy Blue, w/Emblems</td>
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<td>Blouse, Uniform, Navy Blue, w/Emblems</td>
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B. Utilization of the Class D uniform shall be consistent with administrative procedures for Policy 02-03-111, “Use and Operation of Honor Guards.”

### XIII. CLASS E UNIFORM ISSUE:

Class E Uniform: The style of uniform worn by boot camp operations.

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<td>Shirt, Fatigue, Olive drab w/Emblem</td>
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<td>Jacket, Fatigue, w/Liner Black, Olive drab w/Emblem</td>
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A. The wearing of 10” boots requires the blousing of the uniform pants.

B. Class E uniform requires the wearing of a plain black crew neck t-shirt. The t-shirt shall be clean and free from worn or fraying material.

C. Female staff, who for religious preferences, may opt to wear a uniform skirt. The skirt must be obtained from the UDC and is to be worn no higher than two inches (2”) below the knees. Shoes worn with the skirt shall be state-issued shoes or an appropriate shoe approved by the Custody Supervisor.

XIV. SPECIAL ISSUE UNIFORM PARTS:

Each facility shall use a control point for shift issuance and return of the following uniform parts distributed to staff on an as needed basis.

A. Class A - Jumpsuit – Utilized to replace any class uniform pants or shirt that has been rendered useless during a shift.

B. Class A - Coverall – Insulated Coveralls designed to protect staff from cold temperatures while performing outside yard work or related duties.

C. Class A - Raincoat – Black raincoat used to protect staff during rainy conditions.

XV. CONTROL OF UNIFORM ISSUES:

A. The UDC shall have the responsibility of procuring, storing, shipping and issuing uniforms. The UDC shall ship all requests to the Facility Uniform Representative packaged to the requestor, excluding items that are issued from a control point and that shall be returned at the end of shift. The Custody Supervisor or designee shall be responsible for the accounting of items issued from a control point. Each facility is authorized to maintain a
sample of selected uniform items provided by UDC to adequately fit staff.

B. The assigned Regional Finance Director at each facility shall designate a staff member to perform the part-time function of Facility Uniform Representative to oversee the Uniform Area (room) with a complete record of all staff uniforms and uniform parts issued. The Facility Uniform Representative and/or Supervisor shall be the contact person for the facility. This function can be regionalized when beneficial to the overall operation of the facilities in that region. Facilities shall ensure the complete accountability of uniform items received from UDC. The Facility Head, or designee, shall ensure the following procedures are completed:

1. The Facility Uniform Representative shall order uniform items for individual staff members in a timely manner to guarantee uniform needs are met so staff can represent the agency in a professional manner.

2. Before any uniform item is requested from UDC a completed and signed STAFF UNIFORM RESPONSIBILITY (ATTACHMENT I) form must be completed by the requestor and place on file, the original signed form shall be forwarded to the UDC for individual accountability.

3. The Facility Uniform Representative shall ensure that all requests are approved by the requestor’s Supervisor and then submit to the appropriate facility financial staff for approval.

4. Upon receipt of the uniform items from the UDC, requestor is to be notified and packing slips are signed by the requestor and the original packing slips are returned to the UDC for accountability. Requested serviceable items shall be exchanged on a one for one exchange with requestor. Requestor’s unserviceable items shall be returned to UDC for accountability.

5. Return all unclaimed orders to UDC if not picked up within 45 days. Documented notification to the requestor for failure to pick up requested items shall be forward with returned items to the UDC.

6. Unserviceable or inadequate uniform items that cannot meet inspection standards shall be returned to UDC. The Facility Uniform Representative, on behalf of the requestor, shall place an order for the replacement. All clothing replacement requests shall be authorized by the requestor’s Supervisor and the appropriate
financial staff.

7. Upon the termination of staff from employment with the Department or change in positions that does not require the wearing of the uniform, the Facility Uniform Representative shall return the uniform to UDC within five (5) business days of staff termination, with the exception of footwear where the staff and the Department shared the expense due to special requirements.

8. Additional detailed operational directions are available from UDC.

9. Staff transferring to another uniform position in another facility shall retain their uniforms unless they are not required at the transfer position or facility. The Supervisor or Facility Uniform Representative at the originating facility shall inform the UDC of staff transfers within five (5) business days of the transfer.

XVI. EXCEPTIONS TO AUTHORIZED UNIFORM UTILIZATION:

A. ALTERATION OF UNIFORM AND UNIFORM PARTS

Uniforms shall not be altered, such as shortening the shirt sleeves or making the shirt a “fitted” shirt, except as provided in these Administrative Procedures. Any exceptions to the authorized uniform shall be approved by the Commissioner.

Trousers shall be hemmed in the following manner:

1. Measure and locate the out seam length. (Measuring from the top of the pants to the bottom of the pant leg)
2. Indicate on each pant leg the final hem length.
3. Measure 3” past the final hem length, and indicate measurement on each pant leg.
4. Cut off excess material on each pant leg.
5. Fold under (on inside of pant leg) excess material in 1” folds, until you return to final hem length. If cut off properly, it should equal 3 folds.
6. Stitch a ¾” hem measuring from the final hem length towards the top of the pants.

B. EXEMPTIONS FROM WEARING OF THE UNIFORM

1. Exemptions from wearing the uniform may be for medical reasons
and documented by a medical statement from the attending physician detailing the specific reason the issued uniform cannot be worn by the staff person. The medical statement shall be submitted to the Supervisor for review and then forwarded to the Facility Head for approval/denial. If approved, the staff person shall be required to provide a written monthly re-evaluation statement from the attending physician (unless the statement is for a shorter period of time) indicating the continued need for a uniform exception. The re-evaluation statement shall be submitted to the Supervisor who shall forward it to the Facility Head for approval/denial. Authorization for the exception shall expire on the last day of each month.

2. Staff members who become pregnant shall continue to wear the designated uniform until such time that the uniform no longer fits properly. When the staff person can no longer wear the designated uniform, the staff person shall notify the Custody Supervisor. The Custody Supervisor shall review the request to wear civilian maternity clothing and approve the request. Once approved to wear civilian clothing, the staff person shall be subject to the administrative procedures for Policy 04-03-110, “Dress Standards for Department of Correction Non-Uniformed Staff.” Following the pregnancy and the staff person’s return to duty, the staff person will be required to return to the proper wearing of the designated uniform.

3. Female staff members, who for religious preferences, may opt to wear a uniform skirt (CLASS A Skirt). The skirt must be requested from the UDC and is not to be worn higher than two inches (2”) below the knees.

C. FOOTWEAR FOR UNIFORMS

Only authorized footwear shall be worn.

1. Upon request by staff, the Department will issue the initial pair of shoes/boots in accordance with the staff person’s uniform. After the initial pair of shoes/boots has been issued, the staff person may purchase his/her own shoes/boots. Shoes/boots purchased and worn by staff with the uniform must be manufactured as round-toed, smooth black leather shoes/boots, with black soles, similar in style and appearance to the shoes/boots issued by the Department.

2. Tennis/gym/casual shoes/boots shall not be worn with the uniform. Nor shall shoes with visible company or other logos or writing on the
shoes/boots be appropriate.

3. The Custody Supervisor or designee shall approve the shoes/boots worn by the staff person in accordance with these administrative procedures and shall be responsible for ensuring that staff wear appropriate footwear and that the footwear is properly maintained.

4. Non-Department issued shoes/boots shall not be worn with the uniform until they have been approved by the Custody Supervisor or designee. The staff person shall present either the actual shoe/boot or a descriptive picture of the proposed shoes/boots to the Custody Supervisor for review and approval.

5. Steel-toed boots shall not be worn without written approval from the Custody Supervisor.

6. The cost of any non-Department issued shoes/boots shall be the responsibility of the staff person. Additionally, the cost to replace any approved shoes/boots shall be the responsibility of the staff person.

D. EXEMPTIONS FROM WEARING THE REQUIRED SOCKS

Staff requesting to wear non-black socks (i.e. medical white hosiery) due to medical reasons shall be allowed to wear the medical type hosiery nearest the foot with a black sock over the medical white hosiery.

E. SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS TO WEARING THE COMPLETE UNIFORM

At the discretion of the Commissioner and with the approval of the Facility Head, staff required to wear Class A, B or C uniforms may be allowed to deviate from wearing the authorized uniform shirt and be allowed to wear an approved alternate shirt. This deviation in the wearing of the uniform may be in conjunction with special activities (such as donations to the State Employee Combined Campaign for a specified charity). In such cases, the staff person must continue to meet the requirements (such as continuing a donation) in order to be allowed to deviate from the standard uniform.

If these deviations in the wearing of the uniform are authorized, only the designated and approved shirt will be allowed. The wearing of the alternate shirt will be optional. Staff not wearing the alternate shirt will be required to wear the standard uniform shirt. Staff will continue to wear all other authorized parts of the uniform (pants, socks, boots, etc.).
Custody staff authorized to wear the alternate shirt shall be allowed to wear it on days designated by the Facility Head. The alternate shirt shall be considered a part of the approved uniform and staff wearing it shall be required to comply with the procedures for Policy 02-03-104, “Dress Standards for Uniformed Staff.”

If the staff person is assigned to be away from the facility on official business where the wearing of the uniform is necessary, even though the staff person may have been authorized to wear the alternate shirt on that day, the staff person shall wear the standard uniform shirt in order to present a professional appearance.

The Commissioner or designee shall issue written approval to allow the wearing of the alternate shirt or other item in place of the standard uniform on an annual basis. This written approval shall include any special conditions that must be met by staff in order to participate in this deviation from the standard uniform.

XVII. PROPER WEARING OF EQUIPMENT:

The position of approved equipment on the Web or Leather Duty Belt for Class A and B uniforms shall be as follows (NOTE: The following is based upon a staff person having the right hand as the “strong” side and the left as the “weak” side. If the staff person is left-handed or the left is the “strong” side, then the positions indicated below will be reversed):

A. Radio and holder on weak side over seam of trousers;
B. Chemical agent streamer case just behind, or 1 inch from, radio case;
C. Key holder on strong side over seam of trousers;
D. Handcuffs and case placed over the strong side hip pocket, these items shall not be placed forward of this location. Handcuffs and cases shall be in small of the back on Class B Uniform;
E. Handgun holster on strong side over seam of trousers. When located on right side, key holder shall be moved forward; when located on left side, radio and holder will be moved rearward;
F. Magazine pouch on weak side, above front pocket (only when authorized by Custody Supervisor for trips);
G. Black mini-mag type flashlight and plain black nylon or leather holder on strong side behind key holder (not authorized for E-Squad);
H. Belt keepers (when used) shall be distributed evenly on the duty belt as follows:

1. On left side over left front pocket;
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2. On left side over left hip pocket;
3. On right side over right front pocket just in front of the pager;
4. On right side over right hip pocket;

I. Soft pack - personal protective equipment placed in the small of the back centered between the two rear belt keepers.

XVIII. **USE OR POSSESSION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WHILE WEARING THE UNIFORM:**

A Department uniform, either in total or in part, shall not be worn while consuming, handling, purchasing, or otherwise possessing alcoholic beverages. The uniform shall not be worn in a package liquor store, bar, nightclub or lounge.

XIX. **SEASONAL WEARING OF THE UNIFORM:**

A. Stocking or Utility caps, if issued, shall be optional, but must be state issued.
B. Personally purchased items may be worn if appropriate and in compliance with specifications below:

1. Gloves: black or navy blue;
2. Neck scarves: black or navy blue, and worn inside the jacket, except during extremely inclement weather when it may be pulled up around and over the face and neck, or when not wearing the winter jacket;
3. Dark Navy blue is considered to be the color of the dark blue on the uniform shirt, uniform trousers or winter jacket collar, only those items very close to those colors are approved for uniform wear;
4. Sleeves shall not be rolled up on any style jacket;
5. Boots and overshoe boots shall be made available to staff on an as-needed basis, as determined by the Supervisor from a shift controlled issue point;
6. Department issued jackets (with or without liners) may be worn as appropriate for the weather conditions;
7. Class B uniform shirt sleeves shall be rolled up in 2 1/2 inch folds, 1 turn above the elbow, but shall not expose any other shirt sleeve underneath. Class B shirt sleeves shall be rolled up only:
   a. On or about April 15 and October 15 as directed by the Custody Supervisor; and,
   b. When not involved in emergency situation as defined in Policy 02-03-102, "Emergency Response Operations";
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8. The Facility Head may authorize staff to remove the BDU shirt on Class B uniforms during training provided that staff wear the shirt to and from the training, there is adequate security for the shirt and the staff person is not involved in an emergency situation as defined in Policy 02-03-102, "Emergency Response Operations";

XX. WEARING OF CAPS:

Standards for wearing the issued cap include:

A. Worn in a dignified manner, level on the head with the bill parallel to the ground;
B. Worn with the Department emblem directly centered above the forehead;
C. Hair styles shall not interfere with the wearing and sizing of the headgear, i.e., headgear shall fit the head, not the hair style; and,

XXI. DEPARTMENTAL UNIFORM PATCHES:

This section is intended to create a method for patch collectors to obtain Department patches. Those individuals requesting patches should be notified that once the patch is received, it should not be displayed in an unprofessional manner. Procedures for processing external requests for Department shoulder patches shall be as follows.

A. In-state law enforcement agencies requesting patches shall be provided same free of charge, limit one patch. Out-of-state law enforcement agencies requesting patches will be provided same free of charge, but must provide a self-addressed and adequately stamped mailing envelope.

B. Personal requests from law enforcement personnel, in-state and out-of-state will be honored at cost to the requestor.

C. All requests received at Central Office or the facilities shall be forwarded to UDC for processing.

D. Facilities shall include the mailing costs when charging for patches.

XXIV. GRIEVANCES:

Uniformed staff may file a grievance concerning decisions regarding the standards presented in this policy and its administrative procedures in accordance with Indiana State Personnel Department policies and rules.
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XXV. **APPLICABILITY:**

These procedures are applicable to all uniformed staff at Department facilities.

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(signature on file)

Bruce Lemmon
Commissioner

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Date