ARMY DRESS MANUAL

This document is issued for use by Army personnel and is effective forthwith

DL Morrison
Lieutenant General
Chief of Army
Department of Defence
CANBERRA ACT 2600
01 February 2013
FOREWORD

These orders are issued by the command of the Chief of Army and the Army Dress Manual constitutes a lawful general order. All Australian Army personnel are to ensure that the provisions of the Army Dress Manual are applied and obeyed as orders. Failure to do so is an offence under the *Defence Force Discipline Act 1982*[^4].

AMENDMENT CERTIFICATE

Proposals for amendment of Army Dress Manual are to be forwarded to:

Ceremonial Cell – Army
R1–3–A062
Department of Defence
CANBERRA ACT 2600

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Amendment number</th>
<th>Chapter(s)</th>
<th>Amendment</th>
<th>Effected date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>AL1</td>
<td>Ch 1–6</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 4: Annex 4G, Paragraph 4</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 5: Annex 5N, Paragraph 4, 7–9, 11, 13–19</td>
<td>New</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 5: Table 5N–1, Dress Number CT 2</td>
<td>Deleted</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 5: Annex 5N, pages 4–6</td>
<td>Deleted</td>
<td>06 Oct 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AL2</td>
<td>Ch 2: Paragraph 2.8</td>
<td>New</td>
<td>14 Mar 16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 2: Paragraph 2.34</td>
<td>New</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 2: Table 2–2</td>
<td>New</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 2: Annex 2A, Paragraph 1</td>
<td>New</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 3: Paragraph 3.20–3.29</td>
<td>New</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ch 3: Table 3–2</td>
<td>New</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AL3</td>
<td>Chapter 1</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td>06 Dec 16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Chapter 2</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Chapter 3</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Chapter 5</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Annex 4L</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Annex 4P</td>
<td>Full review</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Annex 5O</td>
<td>Full review</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Appendix 5O3</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AL4</td>
<td>Chapter 2</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td>15 Nov 17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Chapter 3</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Chapter 5</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Annex 5N</td>
<td>Editorial change</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
CONTENTS

Chapter 1 1–1

Introduction 1–1

Application of the Army Dress Manual 1–1
Variations to Army Dress Manual 1–1
Layout of Army Dress Manual 1–1
Interpretation of the Army Dress Manual 1–2
Australian Regular Army 1–2
Active Reserve 1–2
Standby Reserve 1–2
Australian Army Cadets 1–2
Civilian clothing 1–3
Standards and responsibilities 1–3
Uniform allowance 1–4
Special appointments 1–4
Selected personnel 1–5
Honorary Colonel/Colonel Commandant and other honorary appointments 1–6

Dress at receptions 1–7
Foreign receptions 1–7
Australian receptions 1–7
Discretionary judgment 1–7
Orders of dress worn on particular occasions 1–7
Wearing of uniforms after separation 1–7

Chapter 2 2–1

Wearing of uniform 2–1

Alignment of the uniform 2–1
Ironing of the uniform 2–1
Specified occasions 2–1
Members on posting 2–2
Corps of Staff Cadets 2–3
Royal Australian Armoured Corps, Royal Australian Regiment, Royal
Australian Infantry Corps, Australian Army Aviation, Army Reserve
Infantry Regiments, University Regiments, Regional Force Surveillance

Units and Special Operations Command 2–3
Restrictions on wearing the uniform 2–5
Dress in the office environment 2–6
Dress in Officers’, Sergeants’ Messes and Soldiers’ Club 2–6
Dress standards 2–6
Dress style 2–6
Service members visiting Messes 2–6
Dress in vehicles 2–6
Dress for physical training 2–7
Motorcycles and bicycles 2–8
Travel on Service aircraft 2–8
Travel on public or commercial transport within Australia 2–8
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Topic</th>
<th>Page</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Travel on public or commercial transport outside Australia</td>
<td>2–9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Military weddings</td>
<td>2–9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Civilian funerals</td>
<td>2–9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forms of civilian attire for social functions</td>
<td>2–9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cosmetics</td>
<td>2–11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fingernails</td>
<td>2–11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hair—males</td>
<td>2–11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beards</td>
<td>2–12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Moustaches</td>
<td>2–13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shaving</td>
<td>2–13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hair—females</td>
<td>2–14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hair colouring</td>
<td>2–14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Radical hairstyles</td>
<td>2–14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wigs</td>
<td>2–15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jewellery</td>
<td>2–15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rings</td>
<td>2–16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Earrings</td>
<td>2–16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Body piercing, beading or teeth jewellery</td>
<td>2–16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Watches</td>
<td>2–16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tattoos</td>
<td>2–17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sikh religion</td>
<td>2–17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Five symbolic requirements</td>
<td>2–19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Method of wearing Sikh religious accoutrements</td>
<td>2–19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Covering of arms and legs</td>
<td>2–20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 2A</td>
<td>2A–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Special Operations Command</td>
<td>2A–1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Chapter 3**

**Items of dress, embellishments and accoutrements** 3–1

- **Aiguillette**
  - Wearing the aiguillette 3–4
  - Attachment of button loop 3–4

- **Academic Dress**
  - 3–5

- **Audio and video equipment**
  - 3–6

- **Bags and backpacks/Camelbaks**
  - 3–6

- **Belts**
  - 3–6
  - Ceremonial belt 3–6
  - Sam Browne Belt 3–7
  - Waist belt 32 mm 3–7
  - Colour belt 3–10

- **Belt hooks and keepers**
  - 3–10

- **Berets**
  - 3–11
  - Army beret 3–12
  - Corps, Regiments and Unit berets 3–12
  - Wearing the beret 3–13
  - Corps/Regiment/Unit hat badges 3–14

- **Special Operations Command Corps/Regiment hat badges**
  - 3–14

- **Special considerations, risk assessment and sun protection**
  - 3–14

- **Bandoliers**
  - 3–15

- **Baseball caps**
  - 3–15
Brassards 3–15
Braces 3–16
Breeches 3–16
Boots and footwear 3–16
Black shoes and black court shoes 3–16
Patent leather black boots 3–16
Elastic sided black leather boots 3–16
Combat boots 3–17
Black combat boots 3–17
Safety boots and shoes 3–17
Laces 3–17
Briefcases 3–18
Buttons 3–18
Canes 3–19
Cardigans 3–20
Communication equipment 3–20
Emu plumes 3–20
Emu tufts 3–20
Gloves 3–22
Dark brown or black leather gloves 3–22
White kid gloves 3–22
White gauntlet gloves 3–22
White cotton gloves 3–23
Handbags and clutch bags 3–23
Headdress 3–23
Hat Khaki Fur Felt 3–24
Chinstrap 3–25
Puggaree 3–25
Wearing the Hat Khaki Fur Felt 3–25
Blue Service cap 3–26
Field hat 3–27
Kepi 3–27
Turbans 3–28
Jibab or Hijab 3–28
Identification discs 3–28
Identification arm patches 3–29
Jackets 3–30
Australian Multicam Camouflage Uniform General Purpose Jacket 3–30
Coat khaki fleece/Combat jacket interim cold weather 3–30
Garrison jacket 3–31
Leather motorcycle jacket 3–32
Utility jacket 3–32
Service dress jacket 3–32
Lances 3–33
Lanyards 3–33
Legal Dress 3–40
Mourner’s band or brassards 3–40
Nameplates 3–41
Name tags 3–41
Necktie 3–42
Necktie khaki polyester 3–42
Tiepin/clip
Orders, decorations and medals
Overcoats
Overcoat extreme cold weather
Overcoat lightweight
Pace sticks
Pantihose, stockings and footlets for females
Parachutist smock
Raincoats
Sashes
Ceremonial waist sash
Scarlet shoulder sash
Shirts
Khaki polyester shirt
Disruptive Pattern Combat Uniform and Australian Multicam Camouflage Uniform shirt
Shoulder boards
Shoulder cords
Shoulder patches
Field Shoulder Patch
Operational shoulder patch
Unit shoulder patch
Shoulder slides
Shoulder titles
‘AUSTRALIA’ shoulder titles
Corps shoulder titles
Regiment shoulder titles
Signs
National Distinguishing Sign
Skirts
Length of skirts
Skivvy Norwegian style
Socks
Sunglasses
Prescribed spectacles
Sweater, khaki lightweight
Wearing belts with sweaters
Swords
General officers, Senior officers and special appointments
Officers and Warrant Officer Class One
Ensigns of Flag, Colour Parties, Regimental Sergeant Major and Drum Major
Assembly of sword equipment (suspended)
Assembly of sword equipment (slung)
Sword knots
Thongs and sandals
Trousers and slacks
Umbrellas
Underwear
Unit colour patch
Undershirt and drawers extreme cold weather ensemble
Wet and cold weather ensemble 3–77
Soft shell insulation layer 3–77
Windproof and cold weather layer 3–78
Wet weather layer 3–79
Annex 3A 3A–1
Chief of Army endorsed range of combat boots 3A–1
Annex 3B 3B–1
Chief of Army endorsed range of black combat boots 3B–1
Annex 3C 3C–1
Administrative procedures of the Unit Shoulder Patch 3C–1
Annex 3D 3D–1
Administrative procedures of the Unit Colour Patch 3D–1

Chapter 4 4–1

Badges and emblems 4–1
Australian Army Rising Sun Badge 4–1
Positioning the badge on the Ceremonial Hat Khaki Fur Felt 4–2
Positioning the badge on the Blue Service cap 4–2
Positioning the badge on the collar 4–2
Embroidered Australian Army Rising Sun shoulder badge 4–3
Aircrew badges 4–4
Army Combat badge 4–5
Army Individual Readiness Notification badge 4–5
Corps and regiment badges 4–5
Infantry Combat badge 4–5
Military Instructor badge 4–6
Parachutist badges 4–6
Rank insignia 4–6
Recruit Instructor badge 4–6
Retired member insignia 4–7
Royal Cypher and Crown insignia 4–7
Service/Defence Commendation badges 4–7
Skill at Arms badge 4–8
Soldiers Medallion badge 4–8
Trade qualification badges 4–8
Unit and Group citations and awards 4–8
Non-ADF and Foreign military awards, badges, unit citations and commendations 4–9
Members of the ADF 4–10
Equivalence 4–10
Applications 4–10
Transfer between Services 4–11
PMKeyS 4–11
Insignia replacement 4–11
Positioning of Foreign military commendations 4–11
Annex 4A 4A–1
Aircrew badges 4A–1
Annex 4B 4B–1
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Military Badges and Insignia</th>
<th>Page</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Army Combat Badge</td>
<td>4B–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4C</td>
<td>4C–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Army Individual Readiness Notification Badge</td>
<td>4C–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4D</td>
<td>4D–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Corps/Regiment badge</td>
<td>4D–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4E</td>
<td>4E–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Infantry combat badge</td>
<td>4E–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4F</td>
<td>4F–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Military instructor badge</td>
<td>4F–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4G</td>
<td>4G–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parachute badges</td>
<td>4G–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4H</td>
<td>4H–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rank badges and insignia</td>
<td>4H–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4I</td>
<td>4I–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recruit instructor badge</td>
<td>4I–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4J</td>
<td>4J–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Retired Member Insignia</td>
<td>4J–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4K</td>
<td>4K–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Royal Cypher and Crown insignia</td>
<td>4K–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4L</td>
<td>4L–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Defence Commendations</td>
<td>4L–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4M</td>
<td>4M–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Skill at Arms Badge</td>
<td>4M–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4N</td>
<td>4N–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Soldiers Medallion Badge</td>
<td>4N–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4O</td>
<td>4O–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trade qualification badge</td>
<td>4O–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annex 4P</td>
<td>4P–1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unit and Group Citations</td>
<td>4P–1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Chapter 5**

5–1

**Orders of dress**

5–1

**General**

5–1

Wearing of uniform by females

5–1

Orders of dress

5–1

Dress Order No 1A ‘Ceremonial Parade Service Dress’

5–3

Dress Order No 1B ‘Ceremonial Service Dress’

5–8

Dress Order No 1C ‘General Duty Service Dress’

5–13

Dress Order No 2A ‘Ceremonial Parade Dress’

5–18

Dress Order No 2B ‘Ceremonial Parade Dress Cold Weather’

5–23

Dress Order No 2C ‘Ceremonial Dress’

5–27

Dress Order No 2D ‘Ceremonial Dress Cold Weather’

5–31

Dress Order No 2E ‘General Duty Dress (polyesters)’

5–35

Dress Order No 2F ‘General Duty Dress Cold Weather’

5–42
| Dress Order No 3A 'Ceremonial Safari Suit' | 5–49 |
| Dress Order No 4A ‘General Duty Dress (Disruptive Pattern Camouflage Uniform)’ | 5–52 |
| Dress Order No 4A ‘General Duty Dress (Australian Multicam Camouflage Uniform)’ | 5–55 |
| Dress Order No 4B ‘Field Dress (Disruptive Pattern Camouflage Uniform)’ | 5–58 |
| Dress Order No 4B ‘Field Dress (Australian Multicam Camouflage Uniform)’ | 5–61 |
| Dress Order No 4C ‘Combat Dress (Australian Multicam Camouflage Uniform)’ | 5–64 |
| Dress Order No 5A ‘Ceremonial Parade Dress Armoured Fighting Vehicle Crewman, Disruptive Pattern Camouflage Uniform’ | 5–67 |
| Dress Order No 5B ‘Armoured Fighting Vehicle Crewman, Disruptive Pattern Camouflage Uniform’ | 5–69 |
| Dress Order No 6A ‘Mess Dress’ | 5–71 |
| Dress Order No 6B ‘Mess Dress White Jacket’ | 5–75 |
| Dress Order No 6C ‘Senior Ranks Mess Dress’ | 5–80 |
| Dress Order No 6D ‘Mess Dress Army’ | 5–84 |
| Dress Order No 7 ‘Working/Protective Dress’ | 5–88 |
| Dress Order No 8 ‘Maternity Dress’ | 5–94 |
| Dress Order No 9 ‘Aircrew Flying Dress’ | 5–99 |

Annex 5A
Orders of Dress worn on particular occasions
5A–1

Annex 5B
Special order of dress for special appointments/selected personnel
5B–1

Annex 5C
Senior officer dress
5C–1

Annex 5D
Band ceremonial dress
5D–1

Annex 5E
Scottish dress
5E–1

Annex 5F
CHAPLAIN DRESS
5F–1

Annex 5G
ARMY EMERGENCY RESPONSE DRESS
5G–1

Annex 5H
Military equestrian dress
5H–1

Annex 5I
Australian Defence Force Academy Dress
5I–1

Annex 5J
Royal Military College–Duntroon Dress
5J–1

Annex 5K
Physical Training Instructor Dress
5K–1

Annex 5L
Medical, Dental and Nursing Working Dress
5L–1
Chapter 6

Orders, decorations and medals
- Introduction 6–1
- History 6–1
- General 6–2
- Definitions 6–2
- Promotion within an order 6–5
- Bars to awards 6–5
- Awards for which a medal is not awarded 6–5
- Unofficial awards 6–5
- Maintenance of awards 6–6
- Foreign awards 6–6
- Order of precedence 6–6

Annex 6A 6A–1
- Wearing of orders, decorations and medals 6A–1

Annex 6B 6B–1
- Imperial system of honours and awards 6B–1

Annex 6C 6C–1
- The Order of Wearing Australian Honours and Awards (Modified) 6C–1
- General note 6C–8

Annex 6D 6D–1
- Foreign awards 6D–1

Annex 6E 6E–1
- Maintenance of awards 6E–1
CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

APPLICATION OF THE ARMY DRESS MANUAL

1.1 Army Dress Manual applies to all ranks of the Australian Army and to other persons entitled to wear the Australian Army uniform. This includes those Army members posted to positions outside the Army group and overseas duties. The Army Dress Manual is the authority to wear the Australian Army uniform, the wearing of all items of dress and embellishments, and provides the policy and information for Army dress. The Army Dress Manual does not apply to civilian persons or for those persons not authorised to wear the Australian Army uniform; however, members may apply to the Chief of Army (CA) through Director-General Career Management–Army (DGCM–A) to wear the Australian Army uniform after separation, in accordance with (IAW) paragraph 1.36.

VARIATIONS TO ARMY DRESS MANUAL

1.2 Permanent variations to the Army Dress Manual are not to be made without prior approval of CA. Director-General Personnel–Army (DGPERS–A) is authorised to approve temporary variations to orders of dress for specific occasions, such as unit ANZAC Day ceremonies or weddings.

1.3 A proposal to vary or introduce any item of dress or embellishment to the Army Dress Manual is to be forwarded through the chain of command and Head of Corps (HOC)/Head of Regiment (HOR), to DGPERS–A for consideration. The chain of command and HOC/HOR are to endorse the submission with comments and recommendations.

1.4 Submissions may be in Minute format and are to detail the change and include justification, and where possible, an indication of any costs or savings likely to result from the proposal.

LAYOUT OF ARMY DRESS MANUAL

1.5 The Army Dress Manual explains all orders of dress—ceremonial, general duty, mess, field, operational, sport and protective. To avoid unnecessary complexity and to ensure that it is easily understood by all personnel, the Army Dress Manual provides the standard information on dress policy that is applied to all Army personnel. The Army Dress Manual is not an authority for entitlement purposes. Entitlements can be found within Army Block Scales.
INTERPRETATION OF THE ARMY DRESS MANUAL

1.6 The Army Dress Manual is to be interpreted as positive instructions, meaning if a situation is not specified in the Army Dress Manual, it is therefore prohibited; however, elements of this manual provide specific direction to the reader.

1.7 Tables throughout the Army Dress Manual list items authorised to be worn with particular orders of dress. Where more than one type of item is authorised, a commander of a sub-unit, unit, or formation may, order a particular type of item to be worn for a particular duty. Those same commanders may order that any item of uniform is to be worn as part of an authorised order of dress on a particular occasion. The exception to this is that, whilst all members may be required to wear trousers with all orders of dress, female members may not be ordered to wear skirts with ceremonial or general duty orders of dress.

AUSTRALIAN REGULAR ARMY

1.8 Members of the Australian Regular Army (ARA) are to wear the Australian Army uniform when on duty. In exceptional circumstances, approval to wear civilian clothing may be given by a commander, Commanding Officer (CO) or Officer Commanding (OC).

ACTIVE RESERVE

1.9 Members of the Army’s Active Reserve are to wear the Australian Army uniform when on duty. A commander or CO may:

a. Authorise in writing, the wearing of civilian clothing in circumstances such as:
   (1) when a member has not been issued all items of uniform and embellishments on enlistment
   (2) when a member has not been able to change into uniform as a result of unavoidable circumstances.

b. Authorise in writing, the wearing of the Australian Army uniform at significant events, while the member is performing a specific voluntary unpaid duty/attendance.

STANDBY RESERVE

1.10 Members of the Standby Reserve are to wear the Australian Army uniform when on duty or when authorised by a Senior Commander for specific events.

AUSTRALIAN ARMY CADETS

1.11 Members of the Australian Army Cadets (AAC) are authorised to wear the Australian Army uniform, IAW AAC dress policy which is subordinate, but conforms to the Army Dress Manual. Variations to AAC dress policy are to be forwarded to DGPERS–A, before implementation within AAC.
CIVILIAN CLOTHING

1.12 Civilian clothing may be worn by members when on duty, IAW paragraph 1.9. Personnel wearing civilian attire on duty are to present a neat, clean and non-offensive appearance.

1.13 Visible civilian items of apparel are not to be worn with the Australian Army uniform, except where specifically authorised in the Army Dress Manual. Items of any military uniform are not to be worn with civilian attire, and the mixing of orders of dress or mixing military and civilian clothing is not permitted, except wearing of the Garrison jacket.

STANDARDS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1.14 The image, pride and esteem of the Australian Army are highly dependent upon the maintenance of the highest standards of dress, appearance, grooming and bearing that is expected of a professional military force. It is the responsibility of all personnel to maintain their uniform in good order and repair, and present the highest possible standards of appearance. Alteration to the basic design of the issue Australian Army uniform is prohibited, eg removal of pockets, removal/cutting off sleeves/trouser legs, etc. Special consideration is given where the uniform may be altered on specific occasions by attaching the appropriate poppy/badge/ribbon/pin on or above the left breast pocket, or on the left lapel portion of the collar when general duty orders of dress is worn or ceremonial orders of dress at commemorative services such as ANZAC Day or Remembrance Day when not on parade. Only one poppy/badge/ribbon/pin is to be worn on the Army uniform at any one time. When involved in authorised charitable activities, members are to uphold their appearance, and maintain the reputation and standards of the Australian Army. The wearing of a poppy/badge/ribbon/pin is only authorised on the following occasions:

a. ANZAC Day (25 April, to include the week of 25 April) – poppy or badge
b. Remembrance Day (11 November, to include the week of 11 November) – poppy or badge
c. Legacy Week – poppy or badge
d. Breast Cancer Pink Ribbon Day (last Monday in October, including the remainder of that week) – Pink Ribbon
e. Reconciliation Week (27 May–03 June) – Army Indigenous Pin
f. National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week (first or second week of July) – Army Indigenous Pin
g. Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Parade (first Saturday in March, including the week preceding the parade) – Army Pride Pin
h. White Ribbon Day (25 November, to include the week of 25 November) – White Ribbon.

1.15 Items of clothing or equipment which are not of an approved design or material are not to be worn as part of the Australian Army uniform.
While recognising the standards of society, the traditional military standards have proved their value in fostering group identity and morale.

Members wearing the Australian Army uniform are not to:

- consume alcohol in a public place (unless authorised by a commander/CO/OC)
- chew gum, slouch, saunter, place hands in pockets
- smoke in the street, jay walk or loiter
- undertake any similar deportment which detracts from a military appearance in the eyes of the public.

Unless otherwise stated, orders of dress apply to both female and male personnel.

**UNIFORM ALLOWANCE**

Uniform Allowance is paid to ARA members for replacement and maintenance of uniforms. The allowance does not cover laundry or dry cleaning costs and is reviewed regularly.

**SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS**

Specific orders of dress, embellishments and accoutrements are worn by serving and selected personnel in special appointments.

A special appointment is one of those listed as follows:

- an aide-de-camp (ADC) to the Sovereign
- an officer holding a personal appointment to the Sovereign
- an Equerry to His or Her Royal Highness or Extra Equerries to other members of the Royal Family
- an ADC to, or an officer on the personal staff of the Governor-General or the Governor of a State or Administrator of an Australian Territory
- the Comptroller to the Governor-General
- an Australian Army force or component commander – Major General (MAJGEN) rank and above
- a military assistant and/or ADC to the Chief of the Defence Force
- a military assistant and/or ADC to the Vice Chief of the Defence Force
- a military assistant and/or ADC to the CA
- the escort officer to the Minister for Defence, or the Minister for Defence Personnel, Materiel and Science or the Minister for Veterans’ Affairs
k. the Director of Protocol and Visits (Headquarters Australian Defence Force)

l. a military assistant and/or ADC to a General officer

m. an officer nominated as an escort officer to a visiting officer of MAJGEN rank or above.

**SELECTED PERSONNEL**

1.22 Selected personnel are those who fill one of the following employment positions:

a. Director-General Career Management–Army

b. Director-General Training

c. Regimental Sergeant Major of the Army

d. **Royal Military College of Australia (RMC–A) and Royal Military College–Duntroon (RMC–D):**
   
   (1) Commandant (COMDT) RMC–A
   
   (2) CO RMC–D
   
   (3) Director of Military Art
   
   (4) Regimental Sergeant Major (RSM) RMC–A
   
   (5) RSM RMC–D
   
   (6) officers, warrant officers, senior non-commissioned officers and staff cadets posted to the Corps of Staff Cadets
   
   (7) officers nominated by the COMDT for host/escort duties at appropriate ceremonial occasions.

e. **Australian Defence Force Academy:**

   (1) COMDT and Deputy COMDT (when filled by Army)
   
   (2) SO3 Cadets
   
   (3) Academy Sergeant Major (when filled by Army)
   
   (4) all Army officer cadets (OCDT) and other Army personnel fulfilling parade appointments

f. All Tier C RSMs

g. RSM Ceremonial–Army

h. RSM Ceremonial–ADF.
1.23 Philanthropic representatives are not authorised to wear any items of Disruptive Pattern Combat Uniform (DPCU) or Australian Multicam Camouflage Uniform (AMCU). The equipment that may be issued to philanthropic representatives and the policy of wearing other associated dress is in the Philanthropic Manual\(^5\).

1.24 Philanthropic representatives are authorised to wear general duty and ceremonial orders of dress but only IAW Philanthropic Approved Clothing List\(^6\). General duty and ceremonial orders of dress may be worn with orders, decorations, medals and ribbon bar as appropriate to dress orders, but without any Australian Army embellishments, titles or badges of rank.

1.25 Grading/status badges provided by the approved philanthropic organisation may be worn, IAW the status of the philanthropic representative.

1.26 Philanthropic representatives who accompany the ADF on overseas operations are to wear protective dress and equipment, IAW Chief of Joint Operations Command directives for the designated Area of Operations.

HONORARY COLONEL/-Colonel Commandant and Other Honorary Appointments

1.27 An officer or person appointed honorary Colonel (COL), COLCOMDT or Regimental COL of a Corps or Regiment, may wear uniform when attending activities of the Corps or Regiment. The uniform and embellishments of the Corps or Regiment, including lanyard, with the badges of rank of a COL are worn, but without coloured cap-band, gorget, patches or Senior officers cap badge. Alternatively, an officer may wear the badges of rank and other insignia of the rank which they held when serving, Inactive Reserve or of the military rank or title granted on retirement. For example; a retired Brigadier may wear the embellishments of that rank, and would not wear any Corps/Regiment embellishments such as shoulder titles, lanyard or Corps/Regiment badges. Regardless of rank, the appropriate special to Corps/Regiment beret may be worn, IAW Corps custom and these orders. Honorary appointments wear either the mess dress orders of dress of the Corps with the rank insignia of COL or the mess dress orders of dress to which they are entitled by virtue of their rank on retirement.

1.28 Honorary appointments are to wear the orders of dress, IAW Annex 5C and Army Standing Instruction (Personnel) Part 12 Chapter 6—Honorary Appointments\(^7\).


\(^7\) https://objective/id:R26414402
DRESS AT RECEIPTIONS

1.29 Dress for members invited to attend Australian (both Federal and State) and foreign receptions, will normally be indicated on the invitation. If doubt exists as to the correct order of dress, the advice of superior headquarters or DGPERS–A is to be sought.

FOREIGN RECEIPTIONS

1.30 Dress for attendance at Armed Forces and National Day Receptions will normally be indicated on invitations, eg ‘Uniform/Lounge Suit/National Dress’. However, if no preferred dress is given, the appropriate Australian Army uniform is to be worn.

1.31 Dress for receptions other than Armed Forces or National Day will also normally be indicated on invitations. However, if no preferred dress is given, Service personnel attending evening receptions are to wear lounge suit.

AUSTRALIAN RECEIPTIONS

1.32 When a State Reception is hosted by an Australian Government representative, where awards or prizes are to be presented as a result of Service Recognition, eg Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal for Humanitarian Assistance, the dress is to be the appropriate Australian Army uniform. If the reception is to be for the receiving of a civilian award, eg Young Australian of the Year, the most outstanding charity fund raiser, the recipient is to wear lounge suit.

DISCRETIONARY JUDGMENT

1.33 Should guests at official receptions have an immediately prior or subsequent engagement requiring the wearing of an order of dress other than that specified on the invitation, it is convention that the host be advised of the order of dress that will be worn by the guest.

ORDERS OF DRESS WORN ON PARTICULAR OCCASIONS

1.34 The dress to be worn by all personnel on particular occasions is in Annex 5A. If doubt exists as to the correct order of dress, the advice of the chain of command or DGPERS–A is to be sought.

WEARING OF UNIFORMS AFTER SEPARATION

1.35 A member may apply in writing to DGCM–A through DPSRM–A, for permission to wear mess dress to attend a formal dinner that is held on a Military Base. Approval is not automatic. If approval is granted, there is no entitlement at Commonwealth expense for maintenance or issue of uniform or associated embellishments. Mess dress is to be worn IAW Annex 5O.

1.36 Permission will not be given to wear mess dress to civilian venues or to wear military uniform to ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day events or any other occasion.
1.37 Officers authorised to use the post-nominal ‘Retd’ are to seek an issue of the ‘R’ insignia embellishment prior to separation.