

1 April 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL CAP UNIT COMMANDERS

FROM: CC

SUBJECT: Changes to CAPM 39-1

1. The National Board recently approved several changes to CAP uniform wear policy. Members may begin wearing these items immediately. The changes and mandatory wear dates are listed below.

a. Removal of "U.S. Civil Air Patrol" tape on the Battle Dress Uniform and CAP Blue Field Uniform. Members are now authorized to return to the "Civil Air Patrol" tape on the BDUs, field uniforms and field jackets immediately. The mandatory wear date for the "Civil Air Patrol" tape and phase out of the "U.S." version is 1 March 2010.

b. Name tags for new Corporate uniform. Members are now authorized to return to "Civil Air Patrol" on both the silver name tag worn with the new Corporate service coat and the blue two-line name tag worn with the white aviator shirt and AF blue pants. The mandatory wear date for the "Civil Air Patrol" name tag and phase out of the "U.S." version is 1 March 2010.

c. Blue boonie hat. A dark blue boonie hat may be worn with the blue field uniform when participating in extended outdoor operations and authorized by the activity director. Grade insignia will be worn as currently worn on the blue BDU cap.

d. Optional long-sleeved blue golf shirt. A long-sleeved version of the dark blue golf shirt with embroidered seal on the right breast has been approved for wear. This shirt will be available in both male and female versions. The female version does not have a pocket. Females may wear either the male or female version. This is a special purchase item from Vanguard Industries and will be available as soon as possible.

e. Wear of senior member NCO grades on the new Corporate uniform. Senior member NCOs who chose to wear the new Corporate service coat will wear the 4 inch Air Force chevrons on the sleeve of the service coat, black windbreaker or black overcoat. NCOs wearing the white aviator shirt and AF blue slacks will wear the 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch chevrons on the sleeve of the aviator shirt. Females have the option of wearing the 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch or 4 inch chevrons on the outer garments. **f. Black all-weather coat.** The Army-style black all-weather coat was approved for wear with the new Corporate uniform. Grade insignia will be worn in the same manner it is worn on the black lightweight jacket.

g. CAP Command Patch. The CAP Command Patch was redesigned to remove the "U.S." from the design. The new patch may be worn immediately and the phase out date for the "U.S." version is 1 March 2010. The emblem on vehicles and aircraft that display the "U.S" version will be replaced through attrition.

2. Several other uniform proposals were approved but require the approval of the Air Force before implementation. When this approval is received these items will be announced. The items listed above will be incorporated into the next revision of CAPM 39-1.

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BDU and Field Uniform Civil Air Patrol Tape

Blue Boonie Hat





Corporate Uniform Name Tags



CAP Command Patch



Black Army All-weather Coat



