

CCR 670-1
Uniform Insignia: Uniform Wear and Appearance

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Summary:

This regulation provides command policy and procedural guidance for the standardization and execution of the wear and appearance of ROTC uniforms and insignia.

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Applicability. This regulation applies to HQ, U.S. Army Cadet Command, Regions, Brigades, Battalions, and Junior ROTC/NDCC Units.

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Part I, Administrative Information

Chapter 1, Introduction [TOC](#)

1-1. Purpose. [TOC](#) This regulation provides guidance and procedures for the wear of ROTC uniforms and insignia. It specifies the basic policies concerning the SROTC and JROTC uniform and distinctive insignia for wear on the uniform. [AR 670-1](#) prescribes the policies concerning Army uniforms and insignia. [AR-600-8-22](#) and [CCR-672-5-1](#) prescribe the policies concerning the wear of decorations and awards. These regulations should be consulted for general policies on subjects not found in this regulation. Personnel subject to similar regulations of other military departments will, while associated with the ROTC program, also conform to Army Regulations.

1-2. References. [TOC](#) Required publications are listed in [Appendix A](#).

1-3. Explanation of Abbreviations. [TOC](#) Please reference [Section I](#) (also referenced in the Right Site (RS) [Glossary](#)).

1-4. Responsibilities [TOC](#)

a. The Battalion Commander (Professor of Military Science [PMS]) and Senior Military Instructor (SMI) will be responsible for--

- (1) The ROTC uniform.
- (2) Ensuring the items worn on the uniform comply with provisions in this regulation.
- (3) Ensuring that the Cadet wears only authorized items on the uniform.
- (4) Ensuring items are properly worn and are of authorized color, arrangement, size, and description.

b. The Cadet is responsible for conservation of uniform clothing as prescribed in [AR 700-84](#), Paragraph 9-3.

Part II, Senior ROTC Program

Chapter 2, The Cadet Uniform [TOC](#)

2-1. General [TOC](#)

a. Each Cadet and each alien student authorized to participate in the Advanced Course may be furnished an issue or Cadet-type uniform as determined by Commander, U.S. Army Cadet Command. Educational institutions which provide Cadet-type uniforms or desire to purchase issue type uniforms from Army or commercial sources may be authorized to draw commutation in lieu of issue of government uniforms. Current policy restricts payment of commutation to institutions hosting corps of Cadets and qualifying for special rate of commutation as explained in [AR 145-1](#), Paragraph 4-2.

b. The operating policies and procedures concerning the supply of issue uniforms to institutions are set forth in [AR 700-84](#), chapters 9 and 10.

c. At the discretion of the Battalion Commander, uniforms (Cadet and issue type) purchased with commutation funds may become the property of the Cadet who is commissioned, except in the case of alien students whose uniforms will be retained by the detachment. Cadet-type uniforms may, at the discretion of the Battalion Commander, become the property of the Cadet who is not commissioned; however, settlement and reimbursement to the Government will be in accordance with (IAW) [AR 700-84](#).

d. Uniform items issued to the detachment (issue type) are the property of the Government and may not be given to the Cadet. If the Cadet wishes to retain the issued uniform, it may be purchased IAW procedures outlined in [AR 700-84](#), paragraph 9-10.

e. The Patrol Cap, Garrison Cap, and Service Cap are the only headgear authorized for wear by Cadets (CTA 50-900). It will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

f. The boots are laced diagonally with black laces, with the excess lace tucked into the top of the boot under the bloused trousers or slacks, or wrapped around the top of the boot. Personnel will keep shoes and black boots cleaned and shined. Brown boots will be clean.

2-2. Uniforms Authorized. TOC The following uniforms are authorized for wear by ROTC Cadets:

a. Cadet-type uniform. Detachments authorized commutation in lieu of uniform may adopt a military uniform of any type or color they desire, provided there is no conflict with any provision of law or regulation.

b. Issue type uniform. The issue type uniform is identical to that issued to the enlisted personnel of the U.S. Army, or so similar in design and fabric that one cannot be distinguished from the other. The CTA 50-900 furnishes basis of issue and [AR 700-84](#) prescribes the procedure for requisitioning.

(1) The regulation button prescribed for the uniform of Army personnel in [AR 670-1](#) will be worn on the issue type ROTC uniform. The Corps of Engineers button is not authorized.

(2) Issue type uniforms worn by ROTC Cadets will include distinctive unit insignia.

(3) Battle Dress Uniform (BDU)/Army Combat Uniform (ACU) field uniforms will have as a minimum a U.S. Army tape, nametape, unit patch and a U.S. Flag.

(4) No braid or stripes of any color will be worn on the coat or trousers of the Army Green uniform when worn as an ROTC uniform. Cadets in their senior year may be authorized to wear braid on the coat and trousers of the Army Green uniform 30-60 days prior to commissioning; but not prior to the George C. Marshall Seminar. The chin strap of the service cap will be black.

2-3. Wearing of the Uniform TOC

- a. The Army ROTC issue uniform will not be worn outside of the United States and its possessions, except by specific authority.
- b. ROTC Cadets may wear the issue uniform within the United States and its possessions when--
 - (1) Assembling for the purpose of military instruction.
 - (2) Engaging in the military instruction of a Cadet Corps or similar organization.
 - (3) Traveling to and from the institution in which enrolled.
 - (4) Visiting a military station for participation in military drills or exercises.
 - (5) Attending other functions as authorized by the Battalion Commander for such wear.
- c. Mixing military with civilian attire is not authorized.
- d. BDUs/ACUs may only be worn on duty when prescribed by the Battalion Commander. These uniforms are issued as utility, field, or training uniforms and are not intended to be worn as all-purpose uniforms when other uniforms are more appropriate. For exceptions to this policy, see [AR 670-1](#), Paragraph. 2-6c.
- e. The United States Army is the most trusted organization to the American public. To keep the dedicated efforts of our Cadets visible to the American public, the ACU and BDU uniforms are authorized for wear during commercial travel in CONUS. Commanders and leaders will ensure Cadets present a professional appearance and reflect positively on the Army at all times.

2-4. Hair, Cosmetic, Fingernail, Hygiene/Grooming, and Tattoo Policies (Male/Female) TOC

- a. Hair.
 - (1) General. The requirement for hair grooming standards is necessary to maintain uniformity within a military population. Many hairstyles are acceptable, as long as they are neat and conservative. It is not possible to address every acceptable hairstyle, or what constitutes eccentric or conservative grooming. Therefore, it is the responsibility of leaders at all levels to exercise good judgment in the enforcement of Army policy. All Cadets will comply with the hair, fingernail, and grooming policies while in any military uniform or while in civilian clothes on duty.
 - (a) Leaders will judge the appropriateness of a particular hairstyle by the appearance of headgear when worn. Cadets will wear headgear as described in the applicable chapters of this regulation. Headgear will fit snugly and comfortably, without distortion or excessive gaps. Hairstyles that do not allow soldiers to wear the headgear properly, or that interfere with the proper wear of the protective mask or other protective equipment, are prohibited.

(b) Extreme, eccentric, or trendy haircuts or hairstyles are not authorized. If Cadets use dyes, tints, or bleaches, they must choose those that result in natural hair colors. Colors that detract from a professional military appearance are prohibited. Therefore, Cadets should avoid using colors that result in an extreme appearance. Applied hair colors that are prohibited include, but are not limited to, purple, blue, pink, green, orange, bright (fire-engine) red, and fluorescent or neon colors. It is the responsibility of leaders to use good judgment in determining if applied colors are acceptable based upon the overall effect on the Cadet's appearance.

(c) Cadets who have a texture of hair that does not part naturally may cut a part into the hair. The part will be one straight line, not slanted or curved, and will fall in the area where the Cadet would normally part the hair. Cadets will not cut designs into their hair or scalp. [TOC](#)

(2) Male haircuts will conform to the following standards.

(a) The hair on top of the head must be neatly groomed. The length and bulk of the hair may not be excessive or present a ragged, unkempt, or extreme appearance. The hair must present a tapered appearance. A tapered appearance is one where the outline of the Cadet's hair conforms to the shape of the head, curving inward to the natural termination point at the base of the neck. When hair is combed, it will not fall over the ears or eyebrows. It will not touch the collar, except for the closely cut hair at the back of the neck. The block-cut fullness in the back is permitted to a moderate degree, as long as the tapered look is maintained. In all cases, the bulk or length of hair may not interfere with the normal wear of headgear or protective masks or equipment. Males are not authorized to wear braids, cornrows, or dreadlocks (unkempt, twisted, matted, individual parts of hair) while in uniform, or in civilian clothes, on duty. Hair that is clipped closely or shaved to the scalp is authorized.

(b) Males will keep sideburns neatly trimmed. Sideburns may not be flared; the base of the sideburn will be a clean shaven, horizontal line. Sideburns will not extend below the lowest part of the exterior ear opening. [TOC](#)

(c) Males will keep their face clean-shaven when in uniform or in civilian clothes on duty. Mustaches are permitted; if worn, males will keep mustaches neatly trimmed, tapered, and tidy. Mustaches will not present a chopped off or bushy appearance, and no portion of the mustache will cover the upper lip line or extend sideways beyond a vertical line drawn upward from the corners of the mouth. Handlebar mustaches, goatees, and beards are not authorized. If an appropriate medical authority prescribes beard growth, the length required for medical treatment must be specified. For example, "The length of the beard will not exceed 1/4 inch." (See [TB MED 287](#).) Cadets will keep the growth trimmed to the level specified by appropriate medical authority, but they are not authorized to shape the growth into a goatee, a "Fu Manchu," or handlebar mustache.

(d) Males are prohibited from wearing wigs or hairpieces while in uniform or in civilian clothes on duty, except to cover natural baldness or physical disfiguration caused by an accident or medical procedure. When worn, wigs or hairpieces will conform to the standard haircut criteria as stated in Paragraph **2-4 a(2)(a)** above.

(3) Female haircuts will conform to the following standards.

(a) Females will ensure their hair is neatly groomed, that the length and bulk of the hair are not excessive, and that the hair does not present a ragged, unkempt, or extreme appearance. Likewise, trendy styles that result in shaved portions of the scalp (other than the neckline) or designs cut into the hair are prohibited. Females may wear braids and cornrows as long as the braided style is conservative, the braids and cornrows lie snugly on the head, and any hair holding devices comply with the standards in Paragraph **2-4a(3)(d)** below. Dreadlocks (unkempt, twisted, matted individual parts of hair) are prohibited in uniform or in civilian clothes on duty. Hair will not fall over the eyebrows or extend below the bottom edge of the collar at any time during normal activity or when standing in formation. Long hair that falls naturally below the bottom edge of the collar, to include braids, will be neatly and inconspicuously fastened or pinned, so no free-hanging hair is visible. This includes styles worn with the physical fitness uniform/improved physical fitness uniform (PFU/IPFU). [TOC](#)

(b) Styles that are lopsided or distinctly unbalanced are prohibited. Ponytails, pigtailed, or braids that are not secured to the head (allowing hair to hang freely), widely spaced individual hanging locks, and other extreme styles that protrude from the head are prohibited. Extensions, weaves, wigs, and hairpieces are authorized; however, these additions must have the same general appearance as the individual's natural hair. Additionally, any wigs, extensions, hairpieces, or weaves must comply with the grooming policies set forth in this paragraph.

(c) Females will ensure that hairstyles do not interfere with proper wear of military headgear and protective masks or equipment at any time (see Paragraph **2-4a(1)(a)** above). When headgear is worn, the hair will not extend below the bottom edge of the front of the headgear, nor extend below the bottom edge of the collar.

(d) Hair-holding devices are authorized only for the purpose of securing the hair. Cadets will not place hair holding devices in the hair for decorative purposes. All hair-holding devices must be plain and of a color as close to the soldier's hair as is possible or clear. Authorized devices include, but are not limited to, small, plain scrunchies (elastic hair bands covered with material), barrettes, combs, pins, clips, rubber bands, and hair bands. Devices that are conspicuous, excessive, or decorative are prohibited. Some examples of prohibited devices include, but are not limited to, large, lacy scrunchies; beads; bows; claw clips; clips, pins, or barrettes with butterflies, flowers, sparkles, gems, or scalloped edges; and bows made from hairpieces.

b. Cosmetics. [TOC](#)

(1) General. As with hairstyles, the requirement for standards regarding cosmetics is necessary to maintain uniformity and to avoid an extreme or unmilitary appearance. Males are prohibited from wearing cosmetics, to include nail polish. Females are authorized to wear cosmetics with all uniforms, provided they are applied conservatively, are in good taste, and complement the uniform. Leaders at all levels must exercise good judgment in the enforcement of this policy.

(a) Females may wear cosmetics if they are conservative and complement the uniform and their complexion. Eccentric, exaggerated, or trendy cosmetic styles and colors, to include makeup designed to cover tattoos, are inappropriate with the uniform and are prohibited. Permanent makeup, such as eyebrow or eyeliner, is authorized as long as the makeup conforms to the standards outlined above.

(b) Females will not wear shades of lipstick and nail polish that distinctly contrast with their complexion, detract from the uniform, are extreme. Some examples of extreme colors include, but are not limited to, purple, gold, blue, black, white, bright (fire-engine) red, khaki, camouflage colors, and fluorescent colors. Cadets will not apply designs to nails or apply two-tone or multi-tone colors to nails.

(2) Females will comply with the cosmetics policy while in any military uniform or while in civilian clothes on duty. **TOC**

c. **Fingernails.** All personnel will keep fingernails clean and neatly trimmed. Males will keep nails trimmed so as not to extend beyond the fingertip. Females' fingernails will not exceed a nail length of 1/4 inch, as measured from the tip of the finger. Females will trim nails shorter if the commander determines that the longer length detracts from the military image, presents a safety concern, or interferes with the performance of duties.

d. **Hygiene and body grooming.** Soldiers will maintain good personal hygiene and grooming on a daily basis and wear the uniform so as not to detract from their overall military appearance.

e. **Tattoos.** Tattoos or brands that are extremist, indecent, sexist, or racist are prohibited, regardless of location on the body, as they are prejudicial to good order and discipline within units.

2-5. Wearing of Jewelry **TOC**

a. Cadets may wear a wristwatch, a wrist identification bracelet, and two rings (a wedding set is considered one ring) with Army uniforms, unless prohibited by the commander for safety or health reasons. Any jewelry Cadets wear must be conservative and in good taste. Identification bracelets are limited to medical alert bracelets and MIA/POW identification bracelets. Cadets may wear only one item on each wrist.

b. No jewelry, other than that described in Paragraph **2-5a** above, will appear exposed while wearing the uniform; this includes watch chains, or similar items, and pens and pencils. The only authorized exceptions are religious items described in Paragraph **2-7b**, below; a conservative tie tack or tie clasp which male Cadets may wear with the black four-in-hand necktie; and a pen or pencil that may appear exposed on ACUs.

c. **Body piercing.** When on any Army installation or other place under Army control, Cadets may not attach, affix, or display objects, articles, jewelry, or ornamentation to or through the skin while they are in uniform, in civilian clothes on duty, or in civilian clothes off duty (this includes earrings for male soldiers). The only exception is for female soldiers, as indicated in Paragraph **2-5d**, below. (The term "skin" is not confined to external skin, but includes the tongue, lips, inside the mouth, and other surfaces of the body not readily visible).

d. Females are authorized to wear prescribed earrings with the service, dress, and mess uniforms. **TOC**

(1) Earrings may be screw-on, clip-on, or post-type, in gold, silver, white pearl, or diamond. Earrings will not exceed 6 mm or 1/4 inch in diameter, and they must be

unadorned and spherical. When worn, the earrings will fit snugly against the ear. Females may wear earrings only as a matched pair, with only one earring per ear lobe.

(2) Females are not authorized to wear earrings with any Class C (utility) uniform (BDU/ACU, physical fitness, field, or organizational).

(3) When on duty in civilian attire, female Cadets must comply with the specifications listed in paragraph **2-5d(1)** above when wearing earrings, unless otherwise authorized by the commander. When females are off duty, there are no restrictions on the wear of earrings.

e. Ankle bracelets, necklaces (other than those described in Paragraph **2-7b**), faddish (trendy) devices, medallions, amulets, and personal talismans or icons are not authorized for wear in any military uniform, or in civilian clothes on duty.

2-6. Wearing of Eyeglasses, Sunglasses, and Contact Lenses TOC

a. Wear of eyeglasses and sunglasses.

(1) Conservative civilian prescription eyeglasses are authorized for wear with all uniforms.

(2) Conservative prescription and nonprescription sunglasses are authorized for wear when in a garrison environment, except when in formation and while indoors. Individuals who are required by medical authority to wear sunglasses for medical reasons other than refractive error may wear them, except when health or safety considerations apply. Cadets may not wear sunglasses in the field, unless required by the commander for safety reasons in high glare field environments.

(3) Restrictions on eyeglasses and sunglasses. Eyeglasses or sunglasses that are trendy, or have lenses or frames with initials, designs, or other adornments are not authorized for wear. Cadets may not wear lenses with extreme or trendy colors, which include, but are not limited to, red, yellow, blue, purple, bright green, and orange. Lens colors must be traditional gray, brown, or dark green shades. Personnel will not wear lenses or frames that are so large or small that they detract from the appearance of the uniform. Personnel will not attach chains, bands, or ribbons to eyeglasses. Eyeglass restraints are authorized only when required for safety purposes. Personnel will not hang eyeglasses or eyeglass cases on the uniform, and may not let glasses hang from eyeglass restraints down the front of the uniform. TOC

b. Restrictions on contact lenses. Tinted or colored contact lenses are not authorized for wear with the uniform. The only exception is opaque lenses that are prescribed medically for eye injuries. Additionally, clear lenses that have designs on them that change the contour of the iris are not authorized for wear with the uniform.

2-7. Wearing of Religious Apparel, Articles and Jewelry TOC

As provided by [AR 600-20](#), Paragraph 5-6, and subject to temporary revocation because of health, safety, or mission requirements, the following applies to the wear of religious apparel, articles, or jewelry.

a. Religious apparel is defined as articles of clothing worn as part of the observance of the religious faith practiced by the Cadet. Religious articles include, but are not limited to, medallions, small booklets, pictures, and copies of religious symbols or writing carried by individuals in wallets or pockets. Except as noted below, personnel may not wear religious items if they do not meet the standards of this regulation. Requests for accommodation will not be entertained (see [AR 600-20](#), Paragraph 5-6g[2][d]).

b. Cadets may wear religious apparel, articles, or jewelry with the uniform, to include the physical fitness uniform, if they are neat, conservative, and discreet. "Neat conservative, and discreet" is defined as meeting the uniform criteria of this regulation. In other words, when religious jewelry is worn, the uniform must meet the same standards of wear as if the religious jewelry were not worn. For example, a religious item worn on a chain may not be visible when worn with the utility, service, dress, or mess uniforms. When worn with the physical fitness uniform, the item should be no more visible than identification (ID) tags would be when wearing the same uniform. The width of chains worn with religious items should be approximately the same size as the width of the ID tag chain.

2-8. Wearing of Identification (ID) Tags [TOC](#)

The wear of ID tags is governed by [AR 600-8-14](#).

- a. Cadets will wear ID tags at all times when in a field environment, while traveling in aircraft, or when outside the continental United States.
- b. Personnel will wear ID tags around the neck, except when safety considerations apply (such as during physical training).

2-9. Wearing of Personal Protective or Reflective Clothing [TOC](#)

- a. Protective headgear. Cadets are authorized to wear commercially designed, protective headgear with the uniform when operating motorcycles, bicycles, or other like vehicles, and are required to do so when installation regulations mandate such wear. Personnel will remove protective headgear and don authorized Army headgear upon dismounting from the vehicle.
- b. Protective/reflective clothing. Cadets may wear protective/reflective outer garments with uniforms when safety considerations make it appropriate and when authorized by the commander.

Chapter 3, Insignia, Ornamentation, and Decoration [TOC](#)

3-1. General [TOC](#)

- a. Only insignia and other appurtenances prescribed by this regulation, [CCR 672-5-1](#), or approved by The Institute of Heraldry (TIH) are authorized for wear on the issue type uniform. Wearing of insignia on the uniform will be IAW this regulation and [AR 670-1](#) (see [Chapter 5](#) for female Cadets).
- b. The Battalion Commander should direct correspondence through the applicable region and Headquarters, U.S. Army Cadet Command, to TIH, U.S. Army, Cameron Station, Alexandria, VA 22314, when requesting approval or information concerning distinctive insignia (including wearing of) or other uniform appurtenances. At least **90 days** should

be allowed for reply. Correspondence from TIH approving designs, insignia, and related items for wear on the ROTC uniform will be an item of interest in the Biennial Command Inspection.

c. Insignia and other uniform accoutrements purchased by the institution or the Cadet must be purchased from sources, which sell items made IAW specifications. TIH will supply a list of certified manufacturers ([AR 672-8](#)).

d. Prior service Active Duty awards will not be worn along with Cadet awards. Cadets are authorized to wear either prior service Active Duty awards or Cadet awards when participating in ROTC activities.

e. The following are the only items authorized for wear on the ROTC uniform. They will be sewn on the BDU, Class A uniform, and hook and loop (with Velcro) affixed for the ACU uniform. [TOC](#)

(1) Distinctive Cadet Command shoulder sleeve insignia (Class A).

(2) Subdued Distinctive Cadet Command shoulder sleeve insignia BDU/ACU ([Fig. 3-12a](#)).

(3) Distinctive institutional shoulder sleeve insignia (Class A).

(4) Subdued Distinctive institutional shoulder sleeve insignia (BDU/ACU) ([Fig. 3-12a](#)).

(5) Subdued branch insignia (after branching) BDU.

(6) Nameplate, tabs, and badges (Class A).

(7) Subdued nametape, U.S. Army tape, tabs, and badges (BDU/ACU) ([Fig. 3-12a](#)).

(8) Full color U.S. flag insignia (BDU/ACU) ([Fig. 3-12a](#)).

f. Insignia prescribed for wear with issue type uniforms may be worn with Cadet-type uniforms at the discretion of the Battalion Commander.

g. The expense of maintaining decorations such as medals, badges, and ribbons will be borne by the Cadet.

h. A distinctive shoulder sleeve and distinctive unit insignia (DUI) (metal and enamel type) will be designed by TIH upon request. Information about the battalion, including historical background, school colors, motto, mascot, and similar information must accompany the request. Battalions without institutional DUI will wear Cadet Command DUIs.

3-2. Unauthorized Items [TOC](#)

Awards, decorations, medals, badges, ribbons, patches, tabs, shoulder cords, insignia, and any other appurtenances not prescribed by this regulation. [CCR 672-5-1](#) or approved by TIH are unauthorized for wear on the ROTC uniform. The following are examples of items

not authorized for wear on the ROTC uniform:

- a. Medals, badges, ribbons, and shoulder cords; designs that conflict with those authorized for wear by the federal or foreign governments.
- b. Badges or insignia similar to Army, Navy, and Air Force badges.
- c. Oak leaf clusters, palms, stars, etc., similar to federal design.
- d. Cap insignia similar to the cap insignia of any Armed Forces, including trimming or ornamentation in gold on the visor.
- e. State National Guard and Army Reserve awards/decorations.

3-3. Cap Insignia and Ornamentation. **TOC** ROTC cap insignia described in a and b below will be furnished at Government expense for wear by all Cadets on caps as specified.

a. ROTC Insignia, Basic Course.

(1) Description. A wreath 1-3/8 inches in height, containing the letters R.O.T.C. on a panel inside the wreath, all metal in gold color.

(2) How worn.

(a) On the service cap (**Fig. 3-1**), centered over the eyelet.

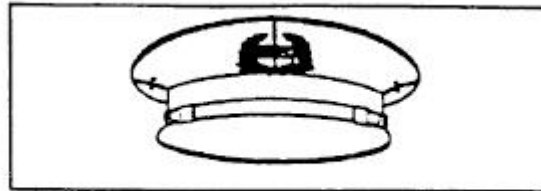


Figure 3-1. Cap insignia, service cap

(b) On the garrison cap (**Fig. 3.2**), centered on left curtain, 1 inch from the front crease.

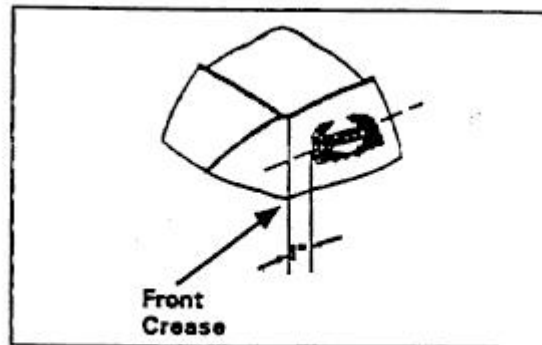


Figure 3-2. Cap insignia, garrison cap

(c) On the Cadet-type cape, as prescribed by the institution.

b. ROTC Insignia, Advanced Course.

(1) Description. A gold-plated metal device, 2-1/4 inches in height and 2-5/8 inches in width, consisting of an eagle with wings displayed, bearing on its breast a shield charged with a rayed torch of knowledge, and standing on an open wreath formed of two branches of laurel, the tips of the branches extending and terminating under the wings, with ROTC arched between the wings above the eagle's head (**Fig. 3-3**).

(2) How worn.

(a) On service cap, centered over the eyelet. TOC

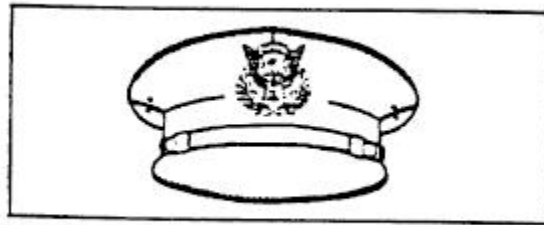


Figure 3-3. Cap insignia, service cap

(b) Cap insignia is not worn on the garrison cap. Cadet officer rank insignia or DUI for enlisted Cadet will be worn as shown in **Figures 3-4** and **3-5** below.

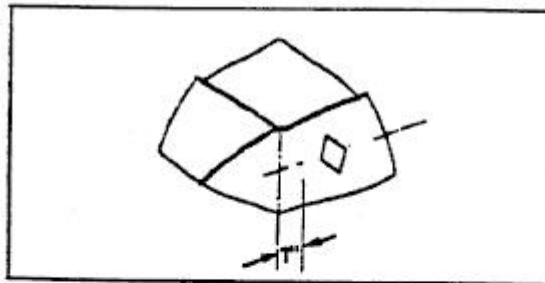


Figure 3-4. Cadet officer rank insignia, garrison cap

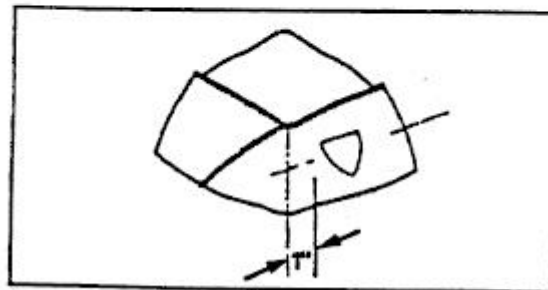


Figure 3-5. Cadet enlisted DUI, garrison cap

(c) On the Cadet-type cap, if cap is similar in design to service cap.

c. Institutional cap insignia. Insignia will be procured without expense to the government, for wear by all Cadets on issue or Cadet-type caps.

(1) Description. A metal item of a design that has been approved by TIH.

(2) How worn. Same as described in **2(a)** above.

3-4. R.O.T.C. and School Initials Collar Design **TOC**

a. R.O.T.C. initials. Insignia will be furnished at government expense for wear by Advanced Course Cadets on issue or Cadet-type uniforms. Insignia will not be worn if school initials described in b below are worn.

(1) Description. The letters R.O.T.C., 3/8 inches in height in cutout form of metal in gold color.

(2) How worn.

(a) Coat (**Fig. 3-7**). Centered on both lapels of the coat, parallel to the inside edge of each lapel the lower edge of the insignia, 1 inch above the notch of the lapel (Class A uniform).

(b) Shirt. R.O.T.C. insignia will not be worn on the Shirt (Class B uniform). Insignia of rank will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

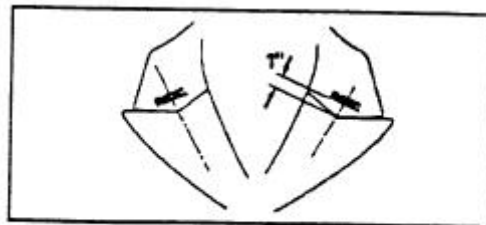


Figure 3-7. R.O.T.C. insignia on lapel

(c) BDU Jacket. R.O.T.C. insignia will only be worn on the temperate or hot weather BDUs by Cadets in the Cadet Troop Leadership Training Program (CTLT). R.O.T.C. insignia will only be worn in lieu of rank on the ACU by Cadets in the Cadet Troop Leadership Training Program. Insignia will be worn on BDUs centered on the lapel of the left collar, parallel to the inside edge of the lapel, the lower edge of the insignia 1 inch above the notch of the lapel. Insignia of rank will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#), by all other Cadets.

b. School initials. Insignia will be procured without expense to the government for wear by Advanced Course Cadets on all uniforms. **TOC**

(1) Description. Letters which comprise initials of the school will be 3/8 inch in height in cutout form of metal in gold color. Letters of school initials will be IAW the manufacturer's drawing prepared by TIH for the development of the school's initials.

(2) How worn. As prescribed in [3-4\(a\)\(2\)](#) above, when worn in lieu of the R.O.T.C. insignia.

3-5. Torch of Knowledge Collar Insignia. **TOC** This insignia will be furnished at government expense for wear by Basic Course Cadets on issue or Cadet-type uniforms.

a. Description. The Torch of Knowledge radiant within a raised rim on a disk 1 inch in diameter of metal gold in color.

b. How worn.

(1) Centered on both collars of the coat, parallel to the inside edge of each collar with the outside edge of the insignia 1 inch above the notch of the label (Class A uniform)(**Fig. 3-9**).

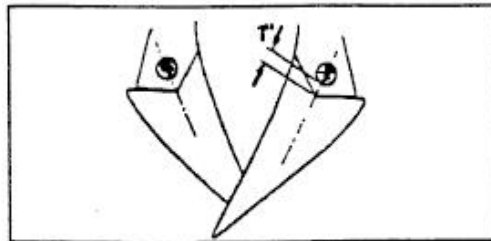


Figure 3-9. Torch of Knowledge insignia, on lapel

(2) On standing collar coat, centered on both ends of the collar with the outside edge of the insignia 1 inch from each end, or centered on the right side only if the insignia of branch is worn (**Fig. 3-10**).

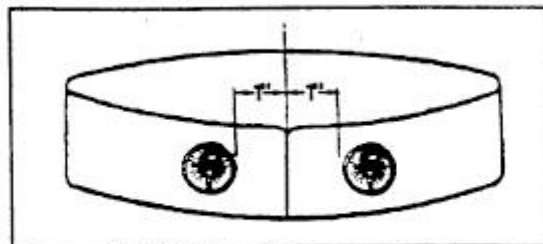


Figure 3-10. Torch of Knowledge insignia, on standing collar

(3) Centered on the collar with the outside edge of the insignia 1 inch from the bottom of the collar, or centered on the right collar only in branch material units (**Fig. 3-11**). **TOC**

(4) Shirt. Torch of Knowledge insignia will not be worn on the shirt (Class B uniform). Insignia of rank will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

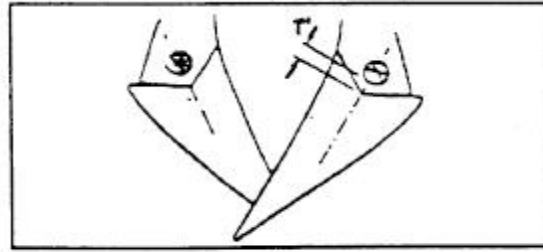


Figure 3-11. Torch of Knowledge insignia/branch insignia on collar (Basic Course cadet)

3-6. Insignia of Branch. **TOC** Insignia of branch will be furnished at government expense for wear by Cadets on issue or Cadet-type uniforms. It will be worn as follows.

- a. Advanced Course Cadets. Branch insignia for Advanced Course Cadets will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).
- b. Basic Course Cadets. Branch insignia for Basic Course Cadets will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#). Wear of insignia by Basic Course Cadets is limited to those in branch material units.

3-7. Cadet Command Insignia. **TOC** Cadet Command should sleeve insignia will be worn on the left sleeve by all personnel IAW [AR 670-1](#). The following insignia may be worn on the right sleeve of the Class A, BDU, and ACU uniforms: former wartime or institutional shoulder sleeve insignia, full color U.S. flag insignia or IR subdued U.S. flag insignia. The IR or subdued flag insignia may only be worn in a tactical environment. The U.S. flag insignia will be procured at Cadet Command expense, but former wartime or institutional shoulder sleeve insignia will be procured at no expense to the government for wear by Cadets on issue type uniforms. Exceptions to the above are military institutions which require Cadet-type uniforms for everyday wear.

- a. Description. Designs, which have been approved by TIH.
- b. How worn.

(1) The Cadet Command former wartime, and institutional shoulder sleeve insignia is worn 1/2 inch below the shoulder seam of the Army Class A or BDU coat. (**Fig. 3-12**)

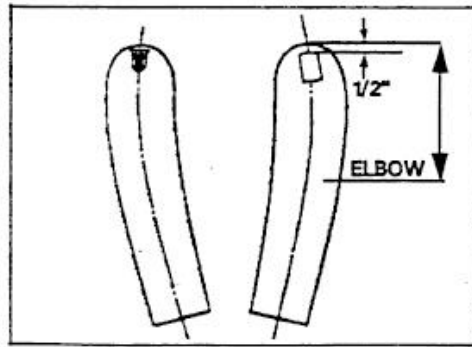


Figure 3-12. Cadet Command and institutional shoulder sleeve insignia

(2) The Cadet Command sleeve insignia is worn centered on the hook and loop-faced pad already provided on the left sleeve of the ACU coat (Fig. 3-12a).

(3) Either a former wartime, or institutional sleeve insignia (not both) is worn centered on the hook and loop-faced pad already provided on the right sleeve of the ACU coat (Fig. 3-12a).

(4) Full color U.S. flag insignia is worn on the right sleeve centered on the right sleeve pocket flap (Fig. 3-12a). [TOC](#)

ACU



Figure 3-12a

3-8. Distinctive Unit Insignia (DUI). **TOC** DUI will be worn by Cadre and Cadets. Institutional DUI, which have been approved by the TIH, will be worn. If the institution does not have an approved DUI by the TIH, the Cadet Command DUI will be worn.

a. Description. Design must be approved by TIH.

b. How worn (**Fig. 3-13**).

(1) Centered on the shoulder loops of the coat or midway between the insignia of grade and the outer edge of the button. Cadet noncommissioned officers will wear the distinctive insignia centered on the chevrons.

(2) On standing collar uniform (**Fig. 3-14**), 3/4 inch in the rear of the prescribed branch insignia.

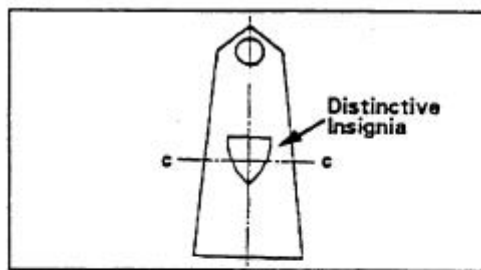


Figure 3-13. Institutional distinctive unit insignia

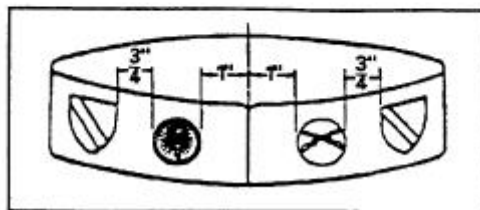


Figure 3-14. Institutional distinctive unit insignia, standing collar

3-9. Insignia of Grade for Cadet Officers. **TOC** Only the metal insignia described below is authorized. It will be furnished at government expense for wear by all Cadets on issue or Cadet-type uniforms.

a. Description. The insignia of grade for Cadet field grade officers consists of flat lozenges, 3/4 inch wide by 1-1/4 inches long, and insignia for Cadet company grade officers consists of flat disks, 3/4 inch in diameter. All Cadet officer insignia will be of silver metal, except that silver cloth insignia may be worn in lieu of the metal insignia at class military college and class military junior college institutions where distinctive Cadet-type uniforms are worn. Insignia of grade worn on BDUs will be subdued. Insignia of grade worn on ACUs will be similar in design and size of that worn on the BDU uniform but will be locally purchased or manufactured. The embroidered rank insignia is 2 inches high and 1-3/4 inches wide, hook and looped and worn centered on the front hook and loop-face pad of the ACU coat. The background of the rank insignia can be the universal

camouflage pattern. The rank insignia background will match the background of the name and U.S. Army tapes. (see [Fig. 3-12a](#))

b. Officer grades will be limited to the grades specified below.

- (1) Cadet Colonel. Three lozenges.
- (2) Cadet Lieutenant Colonel. Two lozenges.
- (3) Cadet Major. One lozenge.
- (4) Cadet Captain. Three discs.
- (5) Cadet First Lieutenant. Two disks.
- (6) Cadet Second Lieutenant. One disc.

c. How worn. On both shoulder loops of the coat, sweater, and windbreaker.

d. Wear of Cadet officer grade insignia on the Class B uniforms and BDUs will be IAW [AR 670-1](#). [TOC](#)

e. Wear of Cadet ranks with multiple lozenges or discs will be worn vertically on the ACU hook and loop face pad.

f. Wear of Cadet ranks with multiple lozenges or disc will be worn horizontally and centered on the patrol cap. ([Fig. 3-15](#)) [TOC](#)

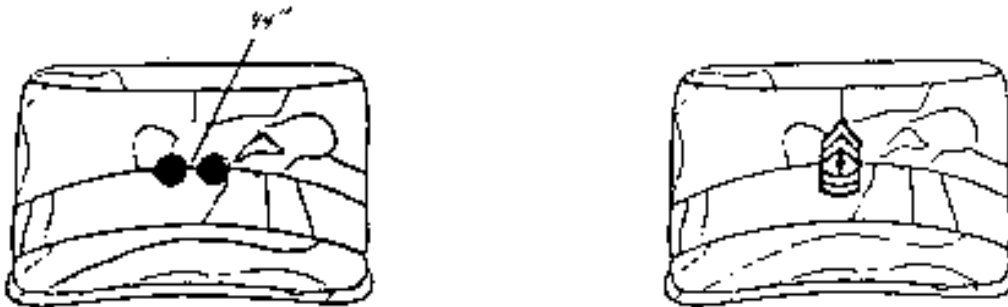


Figure 3-15

g. Cloth shoulder boards, with embroidered Cadet rank, are authorized to wear on the black sweater and Class B uniform shirt for officer and enlisted Cadets.

3-10. Insignia of Grade for Cadet Noncommissioned Officers. [TOC](#) Insignia will be furnished at government expense for wear by Cadet noncommissioned officers on issue or Cadet-type uniforms.

a. Description. Insignia are a gold color, metal pin-on with chevrons, bars, and a diamond (or star), indicating noncommissioned officer grades. Insignia of grade vary in length from 3/8 of an inch to 1-3/16 inches and are 3/16 of an inch wide with two clasp type clutches on the back. Insignia of grade worn on BDUs will be subdued. Insignia of grade worn on ACUs will be similar in design and size of that worn on the BDU uniform but will be locally purchased or manufactured. The embroidered rank insignia are 2 inches high and 1-3/4 inches wide, hook and looped, and worn vertically centered on the front hook and loop-face pad of the ACU coat. The background of the rank insignia can be the universal camouflage pattern. The rank insignia background will match the background of the name

and U.S. Army tapes. Grades will be indicated as follows:

- (1) Cadet Command Sergeant Major. Three chevrons above three bars with a star encircled in a wreath between the chevrons and bars. (Item 1, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (2) Cadet Sergeant Major. Three chevrons above three bars with a star encircled in a wreath between the chevrons and bars. (Item 2, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (3) Cadet First Sergeant. Three chevrons above three bars with a diamond between the chevrons and bars. (Item 3, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (4) Cadet Master Sergeant. Three chevrons above three bars. (Item 4, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (5) Cadet Sergeant First Class. Three chevrons above two bars. (Item 5, **Fig. 3-16**) [TOC](#)
- (6) Cadet Staff Sergeant. Three chevrons above one bar. (Item 6, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (7) Cadet Sergeant. Three chevrons. (Item 7, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (8) Cadet Corporal. Two chevrons. (Item 8, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (9) Cadet Private First Class. One chevron above one bar. (Item 9, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (10) Cadet Private. One chevron. (Item 10, **Fig. 3-16**)
- (11) Cadet Basic. No insignia of grade are worn.

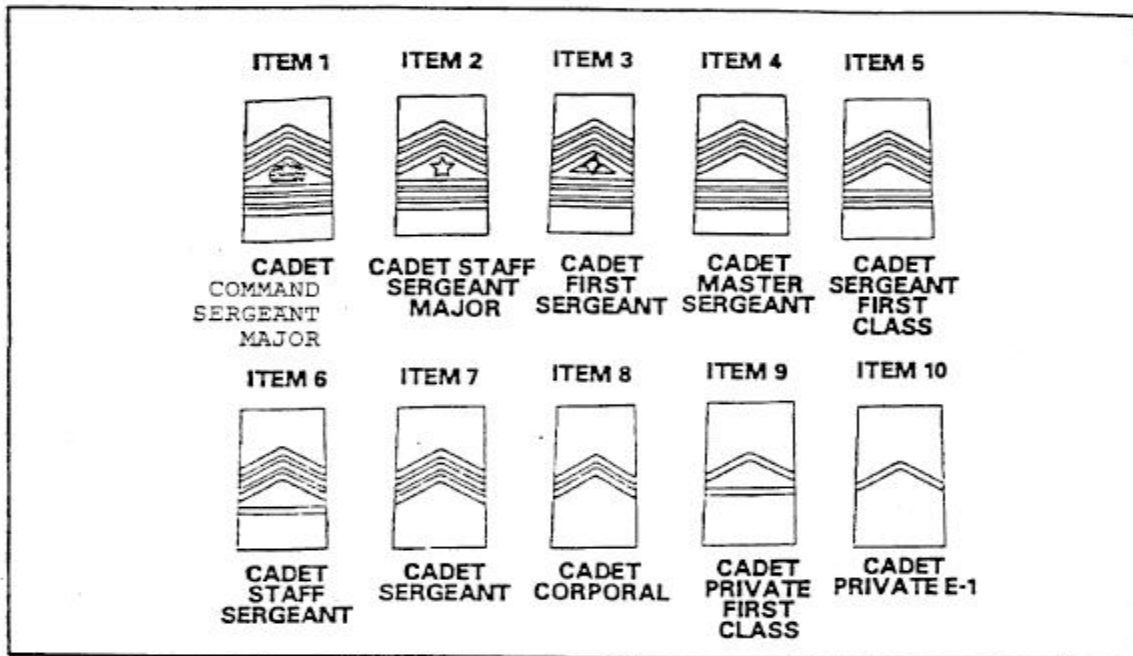


Figure 3-16. Insignia of grade, cadet noncommissioned officers

b. How worn. The brass insignia are centered on the shoulder loops of the Army Green uniform with the top of the insignia pointing toward the individual's neck. The insignia are worn IAW [AR 670-1](#) (Fig. 3-17).

3-11. Insignia of Grade for CTLT Cadets. **TOC** Cadets participating in the CTLT program will wear one disk on the right lapel of the collar. Disk will be of the same design as in Paragraph [3-9](#) and will be worn IAW Paragraph [3-9](#).

3-12. Academic Achievement Insignia. **TOC** Insignia will be furnished at government expense for wear by Cadets in the top 10 percent of each ROTC class based on grades earned in ROTC subjects as determined by the Battalion Commander. The insignia will be worn on issue or Cadet-type uniforms during the academic term following that in which the grades were earned.

a. Description (Fig. 3-18). A wreath all metal, in gold color, 7/8 inch in height.

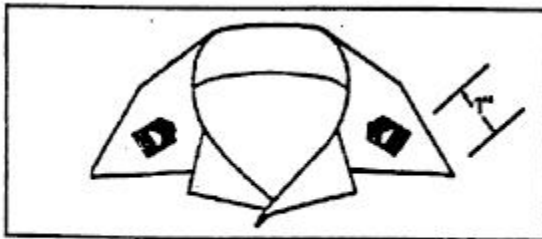


Figure 3-17. Insignia of grade cadet NCO, on collar



Figure 3-18. Academic Achievement insignia

b. How worn. Centered immediately above the right breast pocket on the coat and shirt when worn as an outer garment.

c. Subsequent award. Receipt of subsequent awards is indicated by a felt pad center background worn beneath the wreath, so as not to protrude beyond its edges.

- (1) For second award: a red (scarlet) pad.
- (2) For third award: a silver-gray pad.
- (3) For fourth award: a gold pad.

3-13. ROTC Service Insignia. **TOC** ROTC service stripes may be worn in class at Military Colleges (MC) and Military Junior Colleges (MJC) on the Cadet-type uniform by Cadets enrolled in MS-I through MS-IV, or their equivalent. Stripes will be procured without expense to the government and will be worn on the Cadet-type uniform only.

a. Description. Designs, which have been approved by TIH.

b. How worn. As specified by the institution.

3-14. Parachutist Badge. **TOC** Authorized for wear by ROTC Cadets. The initial badge will be furnished at government expense for Cadets who have successfully completed the USAIS Airborne School as a Cadet, or during service with an Active Duty, U.S. Army

Reserve, or Army National Guard unit.

- a. Qualifications. Parachutist badges will be awarded IAW [AR-600-8-22](#).
- b. How worn. Parachutist badges will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

3-15. Marksmanship Qualification Badge. **TOC** The basic qualification badges for marksmanship will be furnished at government expense for wear by eligible Cadets.

- a. Description. The marksmanship badges will be as prescribed in [CCR 672-5-1](#).
- b. How worn. Marksmanship badges will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

3-16. Air Assault Badge. **TOC** Authorized for wear by ROTC Cadets. The initial badge will be furnished at government expense for Cadets who have successfully completed a qualifying Air Assault Core Program of Instruction as a Cadet or during service with an Active Duty, U.S. Army Reserve, or Army National Guard unit.

- a. Qualifications. Air Assault badges will be awarded IAW [AR-600-8-22](#).
- b. How worn. Air Assault badges will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

3-17. Ranger Tab. **TOC** Authorized for wear by ROTC Cadets. The initial tab will be furnished at government expense to Cadets who have successfully completed the USAIS Ranger course during service with an Active Duty, U.S. Army Reserve, or Army National Guard unit.

- a. Qualification. Ranger tabs will be awarded IAW [AR-600-8-22](#).
- b. How worn. Ranger tabs will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

3-18. Ranger Challenge Tab. **TOC** The Ranger Challenge tab will be issued at government expense to Cadets who successfully complete the Ranger Challenge competition at brigade level as determined by the Region Headquarters.

- a. Description. The Ranger Challenge tab (**Fig. 3-19**) design has been approved by TIH.
- b. How worn. On the upper left sleeve of the Class A uniform. Subdued on the BDU/ACU coat and shirt. The top of the tab will be worn 1/2 inch below the top of the shoulder seam on the Class A and BDU uniforms and above the Cadet Command sleeve insignia centered on the hook and loop-faced pad already provided on the left sleeve of the ACU coat.

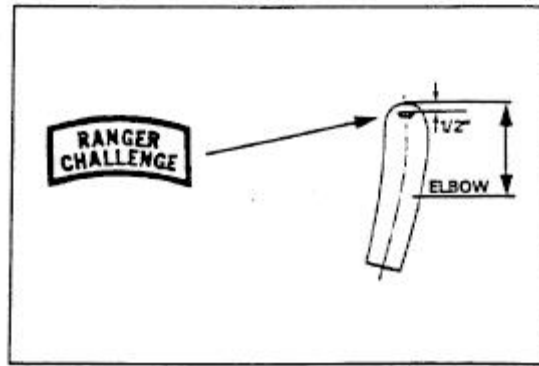


Figure 3-19. Ranger Challenge tab

3-19. ROTC Recondo Badge. **TOC** The Recondo Badge will be issued at government expense to Cadets who successful complete recondo training at Leader Development and Assessment Course.

a. Description. The Recondo Badge has been approved by TIH (**Fig. 3-20**).



Figure 3-20. ROTC Recondo badge

b. How worn:

(1) Male. Centered on the left breast pocket of the Class A uniform (**Fig. 3-21**).

(2) Female. Centered on the left side of the Class A uniform and parallel to the waistline on the coat, in a comparable position on the coat. Placement of the badge may be adjusted to conform to individual figure differences (**Fig. 3-21**).

3-20. Distinguished Military Student (DMS) Badge. **TOC** This badge will be furnished at government expense for wear by an Advanced Course Cadet designated a DMS.

a. Description. A shield of the Coat of Arms of the United States, 1/2 inch in height, enameled in proper colors, superimposed on a silver rectangle bordered in red, 3/8 inches in height and 1-3/4 inches in length (**Fig. 3-22**).

b. How worn. 1/8 inch above the right breast pocket on the coat and shirt when worn as an outer garment. The DMS badge will take precedence over other insignia worn over

right pocket.

3-21. Distinguished Military Student (DMS) Lapel Button. **TOC** The DMS lapel button may be worn by an Advanced Course Cadet who has been designated a DMS as an identification device if desired by the Cadet. The badge will be procured at no expense to the government.

a. Description. Of same design as the DMS badge, in silver and enamel, 21/32 inches in maximum dimension.

b. How worn. Lapel button on the coat of civilian attire.

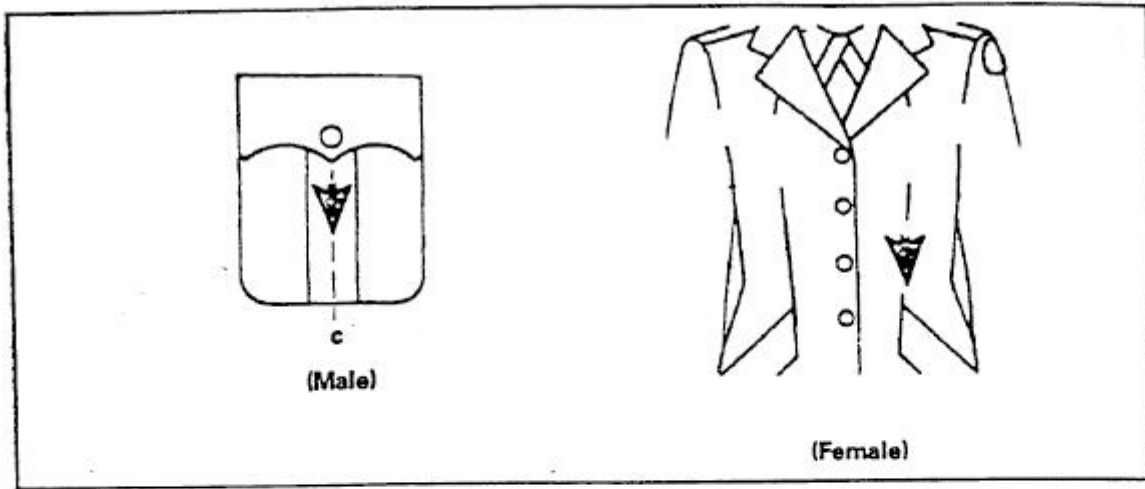


Figure 3-21. ROTC Recondo insignia

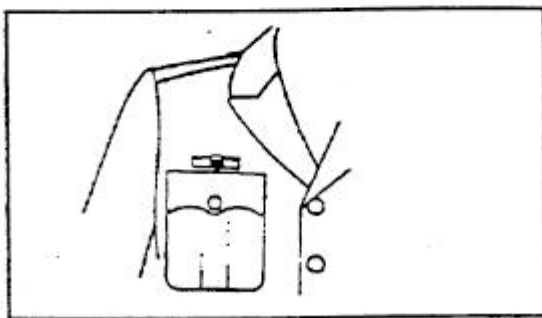


Figure 3-22. Distinguished Military Student badge



Figure 3-23. ROTC lapel button

3-22. ROTC Label Button. **TOC** Cadets may wear the lapel button as an identification device. It will be procured at no expense to the government.

a. A torch 3/4 inches in height in front of a panel 3/32 inches in height and 1/2 inch in length with irregular ends, bearing the letters R.O.T.C., all metal in gold color (**Fig. 3-23**).

b. How worn. Lapel button on the coat of civilian attire.

3-23. Nameplate. **TOC** One nameplate per Cadet may be furnished at government expense (only nameplates conforming to description below will be worn by Cadets on issue or Cadet-type uniforms).

a. Description. Nameplates will indicate the last name only and will be 1 inch by 3 inches (may be longer for a long name) with white block type lettering 1/4 to 3/8 inches high. A white edge or border is authorized provided it does not exceed 1/32 inches in width (**Fig. 3-24**). The finish may be either gloss or non gloss IAW [AR 670-1](#).



Figure 3-24. Nameplate

b. How worn. Male Cadets. The nameplate will be worn on the flap of the right breast pocket, centered between the top of the button and the top of the pocket on the Army Green, 415 shirt. The nameplate will be worn centered on the black patch of the black pullover sweater when not wearing the DUI. When wearing a DUI, the nameplate will be worn 1/2 inch above the bottom seam of the black patch with the DUI centered left to right, top to bottom above the nameplate (see [Chapter 5](#) for wear by female cadets.).

3-24. Nurse Cadet Badge. **TOC** This badge will be furnished at government expense for wear by Advanced Course Cadets majoring in nursing.

a. Description. An enameled white Maltese Cross, with gilt edge, 7/8 inches in height, superimposed on cross and a gold caduceus with a centered black enameled "N" (**Fig. 3-25**).

b. How worn. 1/8 inches above the right breast pocket on the coat and shirt when worn as an outer garment.

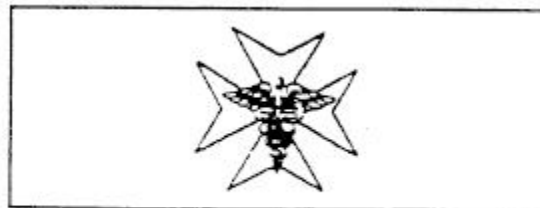


Figure 3-25. Nurse cadet badge

3-25. Combat Skill Badges. **TOC** Combat Skill Badges reflect the dedicated service of Cadets while serving with units during combat operations. Combat Skill Badges are authorized for wear by ROTC Cadets who have earned them during service with an Active Duty, U.S. Army Reserve, or Army National Guard unit.

a. Qualifications. Combat Skill Badges will be awarded IAW [AR-600-8-22](#).

- b. How worn. Combat Skill Badges will be worn IAW [AR-600-8-22](#).
- c. Combat Skill Badges and Tabs will not be worn on the Cadet uniform during the Leadership Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) IAW Warrior Forge Standard Operating Procedures.

Chapter 4, Miscellaneous Medals, Badges, Awards, Decorations, and Ribbons TOC

4-1. Description. TOC The following medals, badges, awards, decorations, and ribbons are authorized for wear by eligible Cadets on issue or Cadet-type uniforms:

- a. Medals, badges, awards, and decorations, including ribbons of the United States and foreign nations authorized by [CCR 672-5-1](#) and [AR-600-8-22](#).
- b. Medals, badges, awards, and ribbons awarded by the institution, and procured without expense to the government. Medals, badges, awards, and ribbons awarded by MJC to ROTC Cadets while Cadets are enrolled in JROTC or SROTC at the awarding MJC. Awards will be worn only when selected designs have been approved by TIH. Awards for academic, athletic, or military merit should be given only for achievement above that normally expected of a Cadet.
- c. Precedence of wear of Cadet ribbons will be IAW [CCR 672-5-1](#). Precedence for prior service active ribbons will be IAW [AR 670-1](#).
- d. Ribbons and shoulder cords authorized for membership, citation, or special recognition by the following military societies, subject to approval of the Battalion Commander.
 - (1) The National Society of Scabbard and Blade.
 - (2) The National Society of Pershing Rifles.
 - (3) The Association of the United States Army (AUSA).
 - (4) The Reserve Officer Association (ROA).
- e. DUI for SMP Cadets.
- f. DUI of the Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT) unit to which the Cadet was assigned upon successful completion of the training.
- g. DUI of the Northern Warfare Training Center (NWTC) may be worn by Cadets who have successfully completed the training.

4-2. How Worn TOC

- a. Medals, badges, awards, and decorations, including ribbons of the United States and foreign nations will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#) as authorized by [CCR 672-5-1](#). (Cadets will not wear more than four rows of ribbons, three ribbons per row.)
- b. Approved medals, badges, Cadet awards, and ribbons awarded by the institution and other agencies will be worn IAW [CCR 672-5-1](#).

c. Shoulder cords (similar to foragers). The number of cords worn at any one time is limited to one; shoulder cords will be worn on the left shoulder as prescribed by the Battalion Commander and are limited to the following groups and colors within an ROTC unit:

- (1) Musical Units - Teal Blue.
- (2) Color Guards - White.
- (4) Cannon Crew - Orange.
- (5) AUSA - Black/Gold/White.
- (6) Pershing Rifles – Purple/White.
- (7) Scabbard and Blade – Blue/Red.
- (8) Honor organizations, including national or local military societies – Old Gold.
- (9) Rifle teams - Buff.

d. Medals and ribbons with metal pendants awarded by the National Rifle Association and the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice may be worn on the ROTC uniform only for special ceremonies and official functions as directed by the Battalion Commander. They are not to be authorized for general wear. **TOC**

e. Cadet Command Flash. The Cadet Command Flash is authorized for wear by Cadets at government expense. It will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#).

f. School DUI or unit assignment DUI will be worn centered on the right pocket of the shirt or coat, below the pocket flap on BDU only. School DUI or unit assignment DUI will not be worn above the name tape on the ACU uniform.

g. Pistol belts will be worn by Cadets on the BDU/ACU. Pistol belt will be worn IAW **FM 21-15**.

h. White web belt with brass buckle will not be worn by Cadet officers on the Class A uniform for drill and ceremony. Military colleges/junior colleges may wear white web belts if it is a part of the institutional uniform. This does not restrict color/honor guards from wearing distinctive webbing which may include the white web belt. Enlisted Cadets will wear pistol belt. Web belt will be worn IAW [AR 670-1](#). **TOC**

i. Class A trousers will not be bloused for drill and ceremony (except members of the Honor Guard).

j. Low quarter shoes will be worn (except members of the Honor Guard).

Chapter 5, Wearing of Uniform Insignia, Female Cadets TOC

5-1. General. TOC Female Cadets will wear the Army Green uniform ([AR 670-1](#)).

5-2. Wearing of Insignia, Female Cadets. TOC Provisions for the wear of authorized insignia and other items are set forth below, cross-referenced for convenience to related provisions for wear of male Cadet insignia, and identified in the figure illustrations provided, where applicable. Insignia are worn on the coat and headgear only, not on the shirt (shirt-waist).

a. ROTC hat insignia, Basic Course.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets ([Paragraph 3-3a](#) [1]).

(2) How worn.

(a) On the issue service hat, centered on the hatband (**Fig. 5-1**).



Figure 5-1. Hat insignia, service hat

(b) On the Cadet-type hat, as prescribed by the institution.

b. ROTC hat insignia, Advanced Course. TOC

(1) Description. A gold plated metal device, 1-5/8 inches in height and 1-3/4 inches in width, consisting of an eagle with wings displayed bearing on its breast a shield charged with a rayed torch of knowledge, and standing on an open wreath formed of two branches of laurel, the tips of the branches extending and terminating under the wings with ROTC arched between the wings above the eagle's head (**Fig. 5-3**).

(2) How worn.

(a) On issue dress hat centered on the hat band (**Fig. 5-3**).



Figure 5-3. Hat insignia, Advanced Course cadet

- c. Institutional hat insignia. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph 3-3c).
- d. R.O.T.C. coat insignia.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph 3-4a[1]).

(2) How worn. R.O.T.C. letters, worn on both collars, are lined horizontally, centered 1 inch from the lower edge of the collar, and parallel to the floor (Fig. 5-5). [TOC](#)

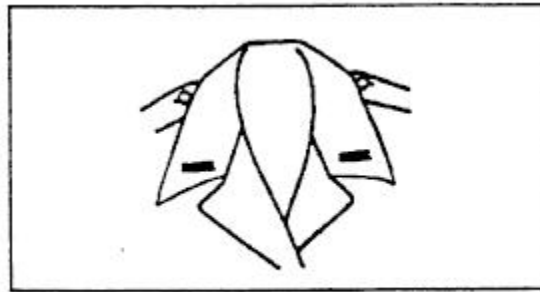


Figure 5-5. R.O.T.C. insignia, coat

- e. School initials (coat).

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph 3-4b[1]).

(2) How worn. Same as R.O.T.C. initials, when worn in lieu thereof.

- f. Torch of Knowledge collar insignia.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph 3-5a).

(2) How worn: Centered on lapel, 1 inch from the lower edge of the collar and perpendicular to the floor.

- g. Insignia of Branch. [TOC](#)

(1) Description.

(a) Basic Course Cadets. The Torch of Knowledge insignia will be worn in the same manner as male Cadets (see Paragraph [3-6b](#)).

(b) Advanced Course Cadets. The insignia prescribed for female officers in [AR 670-1](#).

(2) How worn.

(a) Torch of Knowledge insignia will be worn centered on the lapel, 1 inch from the lower edge of the collar, and perpendicular to the floor.

(b) Branch insignia will be worn on the left collar of the coat, centered 1 inch from the lower edge of the collar, and perpendicular to the floor.

h. Cadet Command Insignia. [TOC](#)

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-7a](#)).

(2) How worn. Centered on the outer half of the left sleeve, 1/2 inch below the top of the shoulder seam on the Army Green uniform (**Fig. 5-6**).

i. Institutional Shoulder Sleeve Insignia.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-7a](#)).

(2) How worn. Centered on the outer half of the left sleeve, 1/2 inch below the top of the shoulder seam on the Army Green uniform (**Fig. 5-6**).

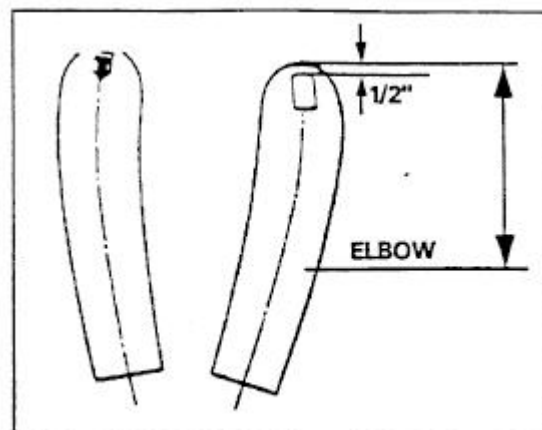


Figure 5-6. Institutional shoulder sleeve insignia

j. Shoulder Loop Insignia (Institutional). [TOC](#)

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-8b\[1\]](#)).

(2) How worn. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-8b\[1\]](#)).

k. Insignia of Grade Cadet Officers. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-9](#) and [3-10](#)).

I. Insignia of Grade Cadet Noncommissioned Officers.

(1) Description Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-10a](#)).

(2) How worn. Same as for male Cadets. Brass insignia is centered on the shoulder.

m. Academic Achievement Insignia.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-19a](#)).

(2) How worn. Centered 1/4 inch above any other insignia and /or nameplate worn on right coat front.

n. Distinguished Military Student lapel button. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-20](#)).

o. Nameplate. **TOC**

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [3-22a](#)).

(2) How worn. Placed on right coat front, 2 inches from the center of and level with the top of the first button. Placement of the nameplate may be adjusted to conform to individual figure differences.

p. Army ROTC Nurse Cadet Badge.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [4-1](#)), and IAW [AR 670-1](#) and [CCR 672-5-1](#).

(2) How worn. Centered 1/4 inch above the nameplate worn on right coat front.

q. Miscellaneous medals, badges, awards, decorations, and ribbons.

(1) Description. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [4-1](#)), and IAW [AR 670-1](#) and [CCR 672-5-1](#).

(2) How worn. Same as for male Cadets (Paragraph [4-2](#)), and IAW [AR 670-1](#).

5-3. Wearing of Earrings **TOC**

a. Description. Earrings will not exceed 6mm or 1/4 inch in diameter. They will be of gold, silver, or white pearl; unadorned and spherical.

b. How worn. Female Cadets are authorized optional wear screw-on, clip-on, or post-type earrings with issue or Cadet-type uniforms. Earrings will not be worn with utility, field, or physical fitness uniforms. When worn, earrings will fit snugly against the ear and will be worn as a matched pair with only one earring per ear lobe. The band connecting non pierced earrings may extend slightly below the ear lobe.

5-4. Wearing of Jewelry 

- a. Description. Wrist watch, wrist identification bracelet, and no more than two rings are authorized with issue or Cadet-type uniforms unless prohibited for safety or health reasons as long as the style is conservative and in good taste.

- b. How worn. No jewelry, watch chains, or similar items, to include pens and pencils, will appear exposed on uniforms.

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Abbreviations

ACU	Army Combat Uniform
AUSA	Association of the United States Army
BDU	Battalion Dress Uniform
BN CDR	Battalion Commander
CTLT	Cadet Troop Leader Training
DAI	Directory of Army Instruction
DUI	Distinctive Unit Insignia
DMS	Distinguished Military Student
HQDA	Headquarters, Department of the Army
IAW	In Accordance With
JROTC	Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
MC	Military College
MJC	Military Junior College
NDCC	National Defense Cadet Corps
NWTC	Northern Warfare Training Center
ROTC	Reserve Officers' Training Corps
ROTCCC	Reserve Officers' Training Corps Cadet Command
SAI	Senior Army Instructor
SMP	Simultaneous Membership Program
SROTC	Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
TIH	The Institute of Heraldry
USAIS	United States Army Infantry School

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