

U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations Summary of Changes (7 July 2020)

This Summary of Changes provides a brief description of changes made to Navy Uniform Regulations (NAVPERS 15665I) since the last update of 2 June 2020. The changes identified in this summary reflect corrections of noted policy verbiage discrepancies found within NAVPERS 15665I. For specific details of changes, please refer to the noted chapters, sections and articles below.

Updates to Navy Uniform Regulations contained in this summary of changes include:

- Surface Warfare Officer (SWO) Leather Jacket, authorization, manner and occasion for wear.

UPDATES TO NAVY UNIFORM REGULATIONS

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2. Chapter 1, Section 3, Travel Uniform, Commuting, Article 1301.5d.

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3. Chapter 5, Section 2, Breast Insignia, Nametags, Article 5201.4.

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a. Nametags. Center nametags 1/4 inch above the right breast pocket. On uniforms without a right breast pocket, place nametags on the right front in a position corresponding to ribbons on the left. Nametags are rectangular not exceeding dimensions of 1 inch by 3-1/2 inches, and may be of any color and design as long as the nametag is standard throughout the command.

b. Velcro Backed Leather Nametag. Nametags will be made of plain black leather in 2"x4" dimension. Name, rank/rate and duty status (USN) will be embossed in gold for officers/CPOs and in silver for E6 and below with lettering in block letters, 1/4 inch high. Only one earned breast insignia may be worn. (Patrol pins not authorized). The insignia (silver or gold) will be embossed above the individual's name.

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c. Unit Specific Embroidered Fabric Nametag. Fabric nametags will be 2 inches by 4 inches in dimension with gold block lettering 1/4 inch high, embroidered on cloth, reflecting unit design and colors. Outer borders/edges may be embroidered or embossed in gold color. Fabric nametags will also include first name, middle initial, and last name, first name and last name, or initials and last name and duty status (USN). Billet title (CO, XO, CHENG, OPS, etc.) and rank/grade are optional. Centered in the top field will be the primary gold warfare breast insignia.

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4. Chapter 6, Special Uniform Situations, Section 8, Organizational Clothing and Privately Owned Protective Clothing.

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5. Chapter 6, Special Uniform Situations, Section 8, Organizational Clothing and Privately Owned Protective Clothing, Flight Clothing, Article 6801.3.

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3. INSIGNIA/PATCHES. Guidelines for wearing insignia/patches on organizational clothing, excluding camouflage utility uniforms, flight suits and brown leather flight jackets, are set by the sponsor, or the command issuing the clothing.

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6. Chapter 6, Special Uniform Situations, Section 8, Organizational Clothing and Privately Owned Protective Clothing, Surface Warfare Officer (SWO) Leather Jacket, Article 6806.

Added:

6806. [SURFACE WARFARE OFFICER \(SWO\) LEATHER JACKET](#)

1. BACKGROUND. The SWO leather jacket is designated as organizational clothing with exclusive designation for SWO community members of the U.S. Navy. Eligibility criteria for issue and wear, management and control of the SWO leather jacket are outlined in OPNAVINST 10126.5.

2. DESCRIPTION. The SWO leather jacket is constructed of black leather with a center front zipper fastener, knitted cuffs and waistband, pointed collar and is fully lined. It also has two patch pockets with flaps on the front and a name patch made of loop fastener tape (Velcro) on the left chest. The back of the jacket has bellows on each side.

3. OCCASION FOR WEAR

a. Organizational Clothing. The SWO leather jacket is primarily worn at-sea as an authorized outer garment for all designated at-sea uniforms. Authorized wear during shipboard evolutions, damage control efforts and General Quarters will be determined by the commanding officer.

b. Optional Uniform Outer Garment. The SWO leather jacket is authorized for optional wear ashore with Service (Service Khaki and Summer White) and Service Dress Blue (SDB) uniforms only. When worn with SDBs, it may be worn in lieu of the SDB coat when commuting, in public places, attending working level meetings or briefings and within office environments. The SWO leather jacket will not be worn with SDBs while attending ceremonies, official events, on Capitol Hill or if expressly prohibited by appropriate authority.

4. MANNER OF WEAR.

a. The SWO leather jacket will be worn squarely on the shoulders, zipped three-fourths of the way up, collar down and sleeves fully extended between wrist and the lower thumb knuckle. A nametag is required to denote the identity of the wearer. The unit commanding officer will determine manner of wear during General Quarters and all shipboard evolutions.

b. Nametags will be attached to the jacket via hook and loop tape on the left side of the wearer. Unit commanders may authorize the wear of the standard leather nametag outlined in article [5201.4b](#) or a unit specific embroidered fabric nametag as outlined in article [5201.4c](#).

c. SWOs assigned to Joint Commands, other Service Commands or Independent Special Assignments will wear the black leather nametag unless authorized to wear a unit specific fabric nametag of the command assigned.