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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This revision incorporates recent AF Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) wear guidance and aligns AFCENT to AF guidance, when possible. In addition to the specifics below, the color scheme for all patches will change to a Spice Brown color palette showing lighter colors that are currently authorized effective 1 April 21, or until the color conversion is completed, whichever is earlier.

Changes to AFCENT OCP guidance that align with AF guidance:

- One-color (Spice Brown) Commander's pin/Graduated Commander's pin worn on Left IR Tab Velcro
- Spice Brown officer rank (except 1Lt and Lt Col) - effective 1 Jun 20
- Switch sleeve patch placement (AEW or AFCENT-right sleeve/Squadron or Directorate-left sleeve) - upon release
- Tan (shade 499/darker color) T-shirt replaces Sand color TShirt - effective 1 Jun 20
- Tan (shade 499/darker color) Belt - effective 1 Oct 18
- Green or Coyote Brown Socks replace Tan/Sand/Sage Green Socks - effective 1 Jun 20
- Allow rolled sleeves; includes inside cuffing of sleeves
- Removed Table 3.1, added reference to AFI 36-2903, Table 5.4 for all duty identifier tab wear guidance

Current AFCENT guidance will remain although it differs from AF guidance:

- Joint/other service unit patches will never be worn in place of any AF patch
- Campaign (floppy) hats/IR Flags/Ball caps remain authorized with limitations
- Berets and colored ball caps remain prohibited
- Tan boots are already phased out in AFCENT AOR effective 30 Jun 18
- The A2CU is only to be worn while flight duties are being performed and must be properly sized without excess jacket material, baggy pants, or excess pant length
- One morale patch authorized on Fridays only; worn on left sleeve (replaces unit patch), with Squadron Commander approval

Until the OCP becomes a mandatory uniform AF-wide (1 April 2021), Permanent Party personnel will contact their unit Government Purchase Cardholder to procure uniforms for assignment to the USCENTCOM AOR.

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Chapter 1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1.1. Commander's Authority. Commander, United States Air Forces Central Command (USAFCENT/CC) is the final approval authority for Air Force Dress and Appearance standards for personnel assigned or deployed to AFCENT. AFCENT/CC establishes policy for wear of uniforms through publication of this instruction. Dress and Appearance standards remain the responsibility of the Administrative Control (ADCON) authority during sister service or joint operations. Unless otherwise restricted due to safety or tactical application, the standards established in this instruction are mandatory and must be followed. AFI 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel, applies where Dress and Appearance standards are not specified in this document.

1.1.1. AFCENT/A1 Director is the lead for Dress and Appearance standards.

1.1.2. AEW and AEG/CCs may publish supplements to AFCENTI 36-2903, with prior approval of AFCENT/CC. Route draft publications to AFCENT/A1RR at afcent.a1rrshaw@afcent.af.mil for review and staffing to AFCENT/CC. Local supplements to AFCENTI 36-2903 may only address Dress and Personal Appearance standards.

1.1.3. AEW and AEG/CCs may publish supplements to AFI 1-1, Air Force Standards, to address issues of community standards. Approved supplements are maintained by AFCENT/A1RR at afcent.a1rrshaw@afcent.af.mil.

1.1.4. AFCENT/A1RR will publish approved local supplements to the Air Force Reporting Instruction Tool on AEF Online at <https://aef.afpc.randolph.af.mil/AFRIT/Afrit.aspx> (3.CENTCOM, A. General Policies) and to the AFCENT/A1 SharePoint. Publication to these sites is mandatory before supplements take effect.

1.1.5. Items not specifically authorized by this instruction are prohibited. Supplements to this instruction cannot add or substitute items not authorized in this instruction.

1.1.6. Suggested changes to this instruction may be submitted on AF 847 via First Sergeants, with Squadron Commander approval, to afcent.a1rrshaw@afcent.af.mil.

Chapter 2 BASIC UNIFORM STANDARDS

2.1 Duty Uniform. The following uniforms are authorized as the Uniform of the Day (UOD) for Airmen assigned throughout AFCENT: the Operational Camouflage Pattern uniform previously referred to as multi-cam or ACU), the Flame Resistant-Operational Camouflage Pattern Uniform (FR-OCP), the Desert Flight Duty Uniform (DFDU), and the Airman Aircrew Combat Uniform (A2CU).

2.2 Off-Duty Uniform. Installation Commanders may authorize wear of civilian clothes while off-duty. Civilian clothing will be neat, clean and present a professional image. Clothing must be conservative and take into account local customs and traditions. Examples of inappropriate clothing include ripped, torn, frayed, or patched clothing; sleeveless, mesh or netted shirts; tank or halter tops (except when in the act of or participating in sports or PT); short shorts or short skirts; undergarments worn as outer garments; bathing suits (except in designated pool areas); revealing or excessively tight fitting garments (except during on-base physical fitness activity or travel to and from the fitness center); or any garments containing offensive words or graphics.

2.3. General Uniform Standards.

2.3.1. AEW or AEG/CCs, or designated representatives, may authorize replacement in-kind uniform items for enlisted members that have been rendered unserviceable during execution of official duties. Replacement should be executed through the appropriate ELRS, via AF Form 659, Personal Clothing Claim. When replacement in-kind is not available, the AF Form 659 may be used for monetary reimbursement. OCPs, FR-OCPs, DFDUs and A2CUs, are authorized to be replaced by ELRS, as required.

2.3.2. Unserviceable uniform items will be discarded at an authorized uniform drop box or location for proper destruction or turn-in.

2.3.3. Accoutrements.

2.3.3.1. Squadron and organizational patches must be based on official unit heraldry approved IAW AFI 84-105, *Organizational Lineage, Honors, and Heraldry*. NLT 1 Apr 21, squadron and organizational patches in the Spice Brown color pallet must be worn. Procure patches only from a manufacturer certified by the U.S. Army Institute of Heraldry IAW 32 U.S.C. 507, using the patch manufacturing specification drawing provided by the U.S. Army Institute of Heraldry. For assistance, contact either contact your local or the AFCENT History Office, or visit:

<https://portal.afcent.af.mil/afcent/staff/ho/Emblems/Forms/AllItems.aspx>.

2.3.4. AFOSI Special Agents will follow guidance prescribed in AFI 36-2903, AFOSI Supplement.

2.3.5. While in uniform, eyewear (e.g. ballistic, safety, sunglasses) may hang in front of the body by a restraint strap. Color/pattern must match uniform or be solid black.

2.3.6. Airmen at Shaw may wear the AFCENT morale shirt, with DFDUs only, on Fridays.

2.3.7. A morale patch may be worn on the OCP on Fridays only. Morale patches must be in good taste and formally approved by the Squadron commander. Morale patches will only be worn in place of the unit/squadron patch. Duty identifier tabs and any other patches/tabs not specifically authorized by this instruction are not authorized for wear.

2.4. DoD Civilians and Contractors.

- 2.4.1. AEW/CCs or AEG/CCs direct or restrict uniform wear for operational reasons. All uniform configurations, wear, and uniform standards, except for grooming standards, apply.
- 2.4.2. Wear of civilian clothing must comply with paragraph 2.2.
- 2.4.3. Contractors wearing uniforms must hand carry written authorization.
- 2.4.4. Contractor uniforms will be procured at no expense to the government.
- 2.4.5. Civilians and Contractors will wear a nametape over the left pocket stating “DOD CIVILIAN” or “DOD CONTRACTOR.”
- 2.4.6. DoD Civilians wear triangular insignia on rank tab. Contractors do not wear anything on rank tab.
- 2.4.7. No company names or emblems may be worn.

Figure 2.1 DoD Civilian Insignia



Chapter 3 SPECIFIC UNIFORM STANDARDS

3.1. Operational Camouflage Pattern Uniform (OCP), Flame Resistant Operational Camouflage Pattern Uniform (FR-OCP), and Airman Aircrew Combat Uniform (A2CU).

Any OCP-pattern uniform previously issued or acquired at no cost to the government may be worn by AFCENT personnel, regardless of location.

3.1.1. OCPs are the UOD for AFCENT personnel. ABUs may be worn in rare circumstances where an Airman's home station can not issue OCPs in advance of the report date. This exception expires on the Air Force mandatory wear date of 1 April 2021.

3.1.2. FR-OCPs are only authorized for Airmen performing missions Outside the Wire (OTW) or requiring flame resistant properties, as identified by a line remark. Airmen attending the Air Advisor Academy will be issued FR-OCPs through the "Gearin' Up" Program.

3.1.3. Deployers will have all uniform items issued by home-stations prior to departure and in accordance with the respective reporting instructions/line remarks for their specific location.

3.1.4. Airmen serving Inside the Wire (ITW), including those in Iraq, Afghanistan and Syria, will wear the OCP, unless required to wear FR-OCPs by a Line Remark.

3.1.5. Permanent Party personnel will contact their unit Government Purchase Cardholder to procure uniforms via OCO funding prior to PCSing.

3.1.6. Personnel required to wear 100% cotton uniforms for safety purposes, including 3E0X1 (Electrical Systems), 3E0X2 (Electrical Power Production), 3E1X1 (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration), 3E4X1 (Water & Fuel Systems Maintenance), will wear the OCP and be issued 100% cotton coveralls.

3.1.7. Color and thread guidance. Embroidered elements of the OCP may contain only four thread colors.

3.1.7.1. Spice Brown. Thread cable number 67196. Nametape, U.S. Air Force tape, occupational/specialty badges, Commanders Insignia Pin, 2Lt, Maj and all enlisted ranks. NLT 1 Jun 20, all officer rank except 1Lt and Lt Col will be Spice Brown.

3.1.7.2. Black. Thread cable number 67138. All patch borders. Blood type tab lettering.

3.1.7.3. Khaki. Thread cable number 67193. Enlisted rank border.

3.1.7.4. Unit patches may only contain the colors Black, Khaki, Bagby Green, thread cable number 67204 and Olive Drab thread cable number 67133. NLT than 1 Apr 21, all unit patches must be converted and worn in the Spice Brown color pallet.

3.1.7.5. No plastic patches are allowed

3.1.8. Coat.

3.1.8.1. Officer rank will either be: 1) Spice Brown (except 1Lt and Lt Col, which will be Black); or 2) Black (except 2Lt and Maj, which will be Spice Brown). Effective 1 Jun 20, only option one is acceptable.

3.1.8.2. Enlisted rank and border will be Spice Brown.

3.1.8.3. Occupational badges will be Spice Brown.

3.1.8.4. Sleeves may be tucked under at the wrist, but never pushed up.

3.1.8.5. Sleeves may be rolled up however, the cuffs will remain visible and the sleeve will rest at, or within 1 inch above the forearm when the arm is bent at a 90-degree angle. AEW/AEG/CCs may require sleeves to be rolled down for operational reasons.

3.1.8.6. Name and U.S. AIR FORCE tapes. AEW or AEG/CCs may direct wear of nametapes written in local language by personnel who have direct duty contact with host nation personnel (e.g. HNCC, Air Advisors). Local language name tapes will be the same style, size, and embroidery as the name tape affixed immediately above the standard name tape.

Figure 3.1. OCP Right Sleeve



Figure 3.2. OCP Left Sleeve



3.1.8.7. Right Sleeve.

3.1.8.7.1. U.S. Flags will be subdued cloth, in Spice Brown or infra-red (IR) and centered at the top of Velcro. Subdued black and green (cloth) U.S. flags may be worn until 1 June 20, then spice brown will be the only accepted version.

3.1.8.7.1.1. Only the complete U.S. Flag is authorized. At no time is any variation to the U.S. Flag authorized (e.g. unacceptable modification like half U.S. Flag and State or College Flag).

3.1.8.7.2. HHQ official patch, AFCENT or AEW, will be worn centered in the Velcro area.

3.1.8.8. Left Sleeve

3.1.8.8.1. Official Unit Patch. AFCENT Directorates and Special Staff (as a non-unit organizational entity) may wear a "unit" patch, centered in the Velcro area. While not part of AF Heraldry, patches should comply with same guidance in 2.3.3.1 and be approved by AFCENT/COS.

3.1.8.8.2. Inspector General (IG) badge converted into the OCP color palette will be worn in place of unit patch for authorized IG personnel.

3.1.8.8.3. Previously awarded combat patches may be worn in unit patch area if no authorized unit patch exists.

3.1.8.8.4. Duty Identifier Tab will be on Velcro area in subdued cloth or IR.

3.1.8.8.5. Only permanently conferred graduate patches (i.e. Weapons Instructor Course Graduate (graduate or instructor), USAF Test Pilot School, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies (SAASS), and Critical Care Air Transport Team patches may be worn. Graduate patches are worn in the place of the unit patch.

3.1.8.8.6. If earned and awarded, tabs such as the SERE, Ranger, Sapper, Raven, and Special Forces arcs will be worn on the Velcro, above the unit patch.

3.1.8.8.7. Cloth or IR Blood Type Tab is optional for wear in the AOR. Blood Type will be displayed as uppercase letters for the type and the plus (+) or minus (-) symbols for the Rh factor (e.g. O+, B-). The tab is 2 inch x 1 inch black border with black lettering. The tab is worn at the bottom with the center patch and tab centered in Velcro area.

Figure 3.3. Blood Type Tab



3.1.9. Undergarments are mandatory at all times. For OTW operations, cotton, wool, flame resistant material, or flame resistant blends will be worn. Undergarments and spandex made of 100% nylon or 100% polyester are not flame resistant and, therefore, not authorized for OTW or flight operations.

3.1.9.1. Socks will be Desert Sand, Tan, (both phased out 1 Jun 20) Coyote Brown, or DLA-issued green.

3.1.9.1.1. Effective 1 Jun 20, only Coyote Brown and DLA issued green socks are authorized.

3.1.9.2. T-Shirt will be sand (phased out 1 Jun 20), tan, or coyote brown and will be tucked into trousers.

3.1.9.2.1. Effective 1 Jun 20, only Tan (shade 499) or coyote brown T-shirts are authorized.

3.1.9.3. Sleep shirt or thermal underwear will be tan, green, or coyote brown and not visible, except at the neck. The sleep shirt and thermal underwear will be tucked into the trousers.

3.1.10. Headgear.

3.1.10.1. Campaign (floppy) hats are only authorized in theater and will not have a nametape.

3.1.10.1.1. Officer rank will be sewn directly to the hat, centered in the front and will match the rank color worn on the uniform (black or spice brown).

3.1.10.2. Ball caps are optional, but may be directed for wear by commanders.

3.1.10.2.1. Officers will wear rank affixed with Velcro, or sewn directly to the hat, centered in the front. Velcro backing will not exceed the square Velcro of the rank.

3.1.10.2.2. Enlisted will wear the cloth subdued U.S. Flag with the union in the upper left corner affixed with Velcro, or sewn directly to the hat, centered in the

front. Flag color must match that worn on the right sleeve (spice brown or subdued black and green).

3.1.10.2.3. Nametape will be worn on the back of the hat, either sewn or with Velcro to match the front, and will not exceed the Velcro area.

3.1.10.2.4. Nothing will be attached to the Velcro on the top of the hat.

3.1.10.2.5. Females are authorized to pull their bun or pony tail through the back of the ball cap.

3.1.10.2.6. Ball caps may be constructed of solid OCP material or OCP with coyote brown mesh back (see Figure 3.7 and 3.8). No other colors or color combinations are authorized.

3.1.10.3. Chaplains may wear chaplain functional badge sewn with Spice Brown thread and centered ½ inch above visor.

3.1.10.4. Headgear will not be rolled, tucked or otherwise formed. Hats will be worn in their natural form and will not be hung around the neck.

3.1.10.5. The brim will have a naturally curved appearance and will not be flattened or straightened.

Figure 3.4. Ball Cap, cloth back

Figure 3.5. Ball Cap, mesh Coyote Brown back



3.1.11. Boots will be Coyote Brown.

3.1.12. Cold Weather Items.

3.1.12.1. Coyote Brown or black scarves, earmuffs, gloves, and watch caps are authorized.

3.1.12.1.1. Watch Cap. May only be worn if cold weather gear is layered under the shirt or a uniform outer garment is worn.

3.1.12.2. Coyote Brown fleece may only be worn Inside the Wire.

3.1.12.3. The Extended Cold Weather Clothing System jackets (fleece, wind, soft shell, wet weather, or extreme cold weather) may be worn without the pants; however, the pants must not be worn without the jacket.

3.1.12.4. The Gen III, ECWCS, Soft Shell Cold Weather, Jacket, Level V, PGC: (04057), and Trousers (04058) are the preferred outer garments worn in lieu of the Goretex Level VI. The Goretex jacket is still authorized for wear, if previously issued.

Figure 3.6. Gen III, ECWCS, Soft Shell Cold Weather, Jacket, Level V

NOTE: Patches will be worn in the same configuration as authorized for the OCP.

3.1.12.5. AEW/CCs, AEG/CCs or AFCENT FAMs (via line remark that requires attendance at Fieldcraft Hostile training) may authorize/require wear of Massif (fleece lined) Elements in Coyote Brown or OCP. Due to the extreme cost of these items, they should be limited to personnel required to wear the FR-OCP.

- 3.1.12.5.1.1. Officer and enlisted rank guidance, see paragraph 3.1.8.
- 3.1.12.5.1.2. Occupational badges in Spice Brown may be included.

Figure 3.7. Massif Jacket

NOTE: Patches will be worn in the same configuration as authorized for the OCP.

3.1.13. SAFETY WARNING: Personnel could sustain severe, life threatening injuries if FR-OCP is worn improperly or mixed with non-FR clothing, such as polyester undergarments and cold weather gear. To ensure safety, strict adherence to wear policies is required. Uniform items must be purchased from an approved vendor on the approved U.S. Air Force Product List.

3.1.14. A list of OCP NSNs can be located on AFPC's AEF on-line at:

<https://aef.afpc.randolph.af.mil/AFRIT/Afrit.aspx>

3.2. The Army Aircrew Combat Uniform (A2CU).

3.2.1. The A2CU is authorized for wear by aircrews assigned or deployed to flying positions, performing in non-ejection seat aircraft within the USCENTCOM AOR. It is only to be worn on days where flight duties are being performed. The A2CU must be properly sized without excess jacket material, baggy pants, or excess pant length.

3.2.1.1. Sleeves may be tucked under at the wrist, but never pushed up.

3.2.1.2. Sleeves may be rolled up, however, the cuffs will remain visible and the sleeve will rest at, or within, 1 inch above the forearm when the arm is bent at a 90-degree angle. AEW/AEG/CCs may require sleeves to be rolled down for operational reasons.

3.3. Airman Combat Shirt (ACS).

3.3.1. ACS is authorized for Airmen who wear Individual Body Armor (IBA).

3.3.2. AEW or AEG/CCs may authorize wear of ACS as an outer garment for Airmen who primarily or frequently work outdoors (e.g. Other Country National (OCN) Escorts, HVAC technicians, flightline personnel) for heat dissipation, or other operational reason.

3.3.3. When authorized for wear, the ACS will replace the OCP shirt as the UOD. On days when no outside work is conducted or other operational reason is planned, the ACS is not authorized.

3.3.4. When wearing the ACS, a T-shirt is not required.

3.3.5. Sleeves may be cuffed up or tucked under at the wrist, but never pushed up the forearm or rolled up inside out.

3.3.6. The subdued cloth or IR U.S. Flag, rank, and nametape will be worn on the right shoulder. The HHQ or unit patch will be worn on the left shoulder.

Figure 3.8 ACS



3.4. Desert Flight Duty Uniform (DFDU or Tan Flight suit).

3.4.1. Headgear. OCP patrol caps and OCP ball caps are authorized. OCP Campaign (floppy) hats are only authorized in theater.

3.4.1.1. Headgear will not be rolled, tucked or otherwise formed. Hats will be worn in their natural form and will not be hung around the neck when not being worn.

3.4.1.2. Officer rank will be sewn on the OCP patrol cap or floppy hat.

3.4.2. Scarves are not authorized.

3.4.3. Boots will be Coyote Brown.

3.4.4. Patches.

3.4.4.1. The desert subdued AFCENT Command patch will be worn on the right breast, above the pocket.

3.4.4.2. When authorized for wear, permanently conferred graduated patches are worn in the place of the HHQ patch and the HHQ patch is worn in place of the unit patch. Weapons Instructor Course Graduate, USAF Test Pilot School and School for Advanced Air and Space Studies (SAASS) are authorized.

3.4.4.3. Unit Morale Patches patches may be worn on Fridays only. Morale patches must be in good taste and may be formally approved by the Squadron commander. The morale patch will only be worn in place of the unit/squadron patch. Pencil pocket patches may be worn at all times without restriction as long as they are in good taste and approved by the squadron commander.

3.4.5. Overgarments.

3.4.5.1. May be worn IAW, AFI 36-2903 with the following exceptions: NOMEX flight jackets must be tan when worn with the DFDU or sage green when wearing the standard green FDU. Gortex parka and pants must be OCP patterned.

3.4.6. Wing Commanders have the authority to determine the appropriate color flight duty uniform for their unit, to include alternatively using the sage green flight suit only on days where flight duties are being performed. Deviations from the standard DFDU should be indicated per reporting instructions.

3.4.6.1. If green flight suits are authorized, refer to AFI 36-2903 for wear guidance.

3.4.6.2. Coyote Brown boots will be worn with green flights suits.

3.4.6.3. The Aircrew MASSIF Elements pants and jacket in OCP or coyote brown are optional, but may be directed for wear by commanders in place of NOMEX flight jackets. Wing Commanders are responsible for ensuring only approved safe-to-fly equipment is authorized.

3.5. Physical Training Gear (PTG).

3.5.1. During extreme cold weather, Commanders may authorize the wear of the APECs jacket or fleece as an additional layer on top of PTG garments.

3.5.2. Solid black, grey and dark blue form fitting undershirts, shorts, leggings or spandex may be worn under the PTG.

3.5.3. Balaclavas (black) may be worn with the PTG IAW AFI 36-2903, 7.1.10.6

3.5.4. Firefighters are authorized to wear the 100% cotton firefighter PTG.

3.6. Improved Rain Suit (IRS).

- 3.6.1. Must be the same pattern as the uniform and fleece.
- 3.6.2. Will be worn with rank and be zipped and snapped. Underarm venting may be unzipped.
- 3.6.3. Will only be worn outdoors.
- 3.6.4. Headgear is required, even while wearing the hood.
- 3.6.5. Authorized for wear with civilian clothes and PTG when rank is removed.

3.7. Honor Guard (HG) Uniform Standards. When conducting official HG duties, members are required to wear the OCP uniform. Installation Commanders will authorize, maintain, and issue uniform accoutrements to outfit a proportionally sized HQ detail.

- 3.7.1. The basic uniform will be the UOD maintained at a high standard, as expected of an HG Airman.
- 3.7.2. If a distinctive HG uniform is desired by ICs, the basic uniform will be UOD with the following added items: Black aiguillette worn on the left upper arm, black ascot with no patch or writing, black web belt with silver buckle and black gloves.
- 3.7.3. The black brassard may be used in lieu of the aiguillette.
 - 3.7.3.1. Gold or silver lettering and must match the belt metal.
 - 3.7.3.2. The words "Honor Guard" embossed on the bottom.
 - 3.7.3.3. U.S. and host nation flags in full color and equal size.
 - 3.7.3.4. The base name may also be added.
 - 3.7.3.5. Additional wording is not authorized.

Chapter 4

ORGANIZATIONAL CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

4.1. Organizational Clothing and Equipment.

4.1.1 Commanders may authorize the wear of scarves for sun, dust storm, and cold weather protection.

4.1.2. Small, conservative, colored key-chain clip-on flashlights may be worn, unless prohibited for safety reasons or by other guidance.

4.1.3. Earplug cases may be attached on the uniform.

4.1.4. Helmet bands will match helmet cover pattern. Name and blood type may be sewn to helmet band. Spice Brown embroidery will be used.

4.1.5. Nametapes, rank, and blood type tabs affixed with Velcro are authorized on body armor. Comply with paragraph. 3.1.8.8.

4.1.6. U.S. Flags will be subdued cloth Spice Brown or IR and may be attached on body armor with Velcro. No additional colors or embellishments are authorized.

4.1.7. Ballistic eyewear, from the Authorized Protective Eyewear List (APEL), is required when performing duties requiring IBA and helmets.

Chapter 5 TRAVEL ATTIRE AND CIVILIAN CLOTHING

5.1. Military Clothing While Traveling. Airmen reporting to, departing from or travelling in the USCENTCOM AOR on military or chartered flights will be in the UOD.

5.1.1. Civilian attire must be hand carried, in the event travel via commercial means is directed.

5.2. Civilian Clothing While Traveling. Airmen reporting to, departing from or travelling in the USCENTCOM AOR on civilian commercial aircraft transiting commercial airports will wear civilian clothing.

5.1.1. Civilian clothing must be neat, clean, and warm enough for in-flight operations.

5.1.2. Civilian clothing must be conservative and appropriate for the mode of travel and destination. Members will not travel in open-toed shoes, sandals, flip-flops, or dilapidated footwear.

5.3. Civilian Clothing Off Base. Civilian attire can be authorized by commanders for functions off base, official business, visits to an Embassy, MWR trips, shopping, or special activities and will meet the following minimum requirements:

5.3.1. Loose fitting pants, khakis, jeans or shorts.

5.3.2. Women may wear skirts. The length of skirts should be modest and appropriate for regional sensitivities. Skirts must be no shorter than the top of the kneecap.

5.3.3. Clothes will not have holes or tears and shoes should be conservative.

5.4. Civilian Clothing On Base. AEW and AEG/CCs may authorize the wear of civilian attire, to include casual, conservative civilian clothes, and AFCENT/A1 approved commercially sponsored T-Shirts, in support of recreational events as part of their MWR program.

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None

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Acronyms:

A2CU - Airman Aircrew Combat Uniform
ACS - Airman Combat Shirt
ADCON - Administrative Control
AOR - Area of Responsibility
APECS - All Purpose Environmental Clothing System
DFDU - Desert Flight Duty Uniform
ECWCS - Extended Cold Weather Clothing System
FR-OCP - Flame Resistant Operational Camouflage Pattern Uniform
HG - Honor Guard
IBA - Individual Body Armor
IR - Infra-Red
IRS - Improved Rain Suit
ITW - Inside the Wire
OCP - Operational Camouflage Pattern Uniform
OCN - Other Country National
OTW - Outside the Wire
PTG - Physical Training Gear
UOD - Uniform of the Day

Attachment 2
PHASE IN DATES

Item	Mandatory
Spice Brown Officer Rank Insignia (except 1st Lt/Lt Col)	1 Jun 20
Spice Brown Flag	1 Jun 20
Tan T-Shirt Only(shade 499)	1 Jun 20
Green or Coyote Brown Socks Only	1 Jun 20
Spice Brown Color Palette for Patches	1 Apr 21