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Memorandum for: Corps of Cadets

Subject: Standard Operating Procedures for Uniform Wear, Set Up and Placement of Brass, Awards and Decorations

1. **Purpose.** This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) details the placement of brass, awards and decorations on cadet uniforms and authorized NMMI uniforms and accessories. The Corps of Cadets at New Mexico Military Institute is a uniformed organization. The appearance of the military uniform and the manner in which it is worn are significant indicators of individual pride, unit discipline, morale and *esprit de corps*. Cadets are expected to maintain their personal appearance in a meticulous manner.
2. **Applicability.** This SOP is effective 1 January 2018, applies to the Corps of Cadets and will expire at the discretion of the Commandant of Cadets. The Plan of the Day (POD), Training Schedule, Letter of Instruction (LOI) or updated guidance as approved by the Commandant/DCO/DCS may modify the Uniform of the Day (UOD).
3. **Scope.** This SOP identifies the procedures for placement of brass, awards and decorations on the cadet uniform. NMMI uniform policy is based on current US Army regulations and in cases where an item is not covered, or where guidance lacks detail, Army Regulation (AR) 670-1 will continue to be the baseline policy from which any NMMI variation will be addressed. Cadet uniforms are further addressed in the current Blue Book and listed by type (Winter A, Summer A, C, D (ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS), E (PT), Travel Athletic Uniforms, Civilian Clothes and uniform accessories. The current Blue Book should always be referred to for cadet uniform standards and instructions.
4. **Responsibilities.**
 - a. Each cadet will adhere to this SOP and maintain a copy of official orders authorizing awards. Each cadet must keep his or her brass polished to a high shine.
 - b. The Cadet Chain of Command will enforce the procedures in this SOP. Troop Commanders/1SGs will ensure members in their troop following this SOP.
 - c. The Regimental Command Sergeant Major (CSM) is the cadet leader in charge of uniform issues and will seek guidance from the DCS/Commandant as necessary to resolve any issues.
 - d. Troop Leadership Advisors and Squadron Leadership Advisors will ensure that the proper procedures are followed and that all awards and decorations are properly annotated in the Cadet Record Review.
 - e. In the event of any questions regarding this SOP or the wear of any cadet uniform or item on the uniform the Commandant of Cadets will make the final decision.
 - f. Each cadet is also accountable to the specific uniform guidance provided in the Blue Book in addition to this SOP.

5. Procedures and Guidelines.

- a.** Only uniforms issued to cadets from SROTC or JROTC supply or by issue from the authorized items sold through the cadet store are authorized to be worn.
- b.** Braid and stripes (piping) are not an authorized part of the Blue cadet uniforms.
- c.** Berets. The black, green, maroon, and tan berets are not authorized for cadet wear at any time.
- d.** ROTC Collar Insignia (Worn by all cadets who are enrolled in the Senior Army ROTC Early Commissioning Program).
 - 1) Description.
 - a) The letters "ROTC" are 3/8 inches in height in cut out form of metal in gold color.
 - 2) Wear.
 - a) On the Class "A" jacket the insignia is centered on both lapels of coat, parallel to the inside of each lapel, the lower edge of the insignia 5/8 inch above the notch of the lapel.
 - b) On the shirt collar it is centered on the left collar of the shirt with edge of insignia 1 inch from the front of the collar.
 - c) This insignia is not worn on the white short-sleeve shirt.
- e.** "Torch of Knowledge" Collar Insignia (Worn by cadets not under contract in the Early Commissioning Program (ECP)).
 - 1) Description.
 - a) The Torch of Knowledge is on a flat disk 1 inch in diameter and gold in color, silver in color for Sergeant Major and above.
 - 2) Wear.
 - a) On the Class "A" jacket it is centered on both lapels parallel to the inside of each lapel with outside edge of insignia 5/8 inch above the notch of lapel.
 - b) On the shirt collar it is centered on left collar of the shirt with edge of insignia 1 inch from the front collar.
 - c) This insignia is not worn on the white short-sleeve shirt.
- f.** Class Designation Insignia.
 - 1) Description.
 - a) This insignia in a class numeral on a red and black background superimposed on a 1-inch disk of gold color metal, silver color metal for Sergeant Major and above.
 - b) The letters "NMMI" appear in an arc near the top edge of the insignia.
 - 2) Wear.
 - a) On the Class "A" jacket it is centered on both lapels parallel to inside edge of each lapel, the upper edge of the insignia 5/8 inch below the notch of the lapel.
 - b) On shirt collar it is centered on right collar of the shirt with edge of insignia 1 inch from the front of collar.
 - c) It is not worn on the white short-sleeve shirt.
 - d) It is not worn on the shirts of cadet officers.
- g.** NMMI Distinctive Institutional Insignia (Crest).
 - 1) Description.
 - a) Emblem 1-3/6 inches in height containing a black shield over a vertical winged sword of red, black, and gold.
 - b) Letters "NMMI" appear in gold in the center of the shield.

- c) The inscription “Duty-Achievement-Honor” appear on a scroll around the sides and bottom of the insignia.
 - 2) Wear.
 - a) On New Cadet shoulder boards.
 - b) Above name tag on all black sweaters.
 - c) Not to be worn with ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) uniform
 - d) Not to be worn pinned on to the Best New Cadet (BNC), Best Yearling Cadet (BYC) or Best Old Cadet (BOC) shoulder boards.
- h. Best New Cadet (BNC), Best Yearling Cadet (BYC), Best Old Cadet (BOC) Shoulder Boards.**
 - 1) Qualified cadets will be selected and authorized by an order issued by the Commandant to purchase and wear the BNC, BYC, and BOC shoulder boards.
 - 2) Officers. Officers will wear large size pin on non- subdued rank 5/8 inch from the outside edge of the board.
 - 3) NCOs. NCOs will wear pin on non- subdued rank 5/8 inch from the outside edge of the board.
 - a) This is the only authorized wear of the non- subdued NCO rank on any uniform.
 - b) When the cadet is no longer authorized to wear BNC, BYC, or BOC boards rank will be worn as otherwise directed in this SOP.
 - 4) BNC, BYC, and BOC boards are shown at Enclosure 3.
- i. Cadet Status Insignia.**
 - 1) Description.
 - a) Gold edged red enamel bar(s).
 - 2) Wear.
 - a) Centered over the right breast pocket of coat and/or shirt, 1/8 inch above the pocket.
 - b) Yearling cadets will wear a single bar.
 - c) Old cadets will wear a double bar.
 - d) 1st Class Cadets in their fifth or sixth year of attendance at NMMI will wear a double bar with a 9/16 inch white star or yellow star, respectively, superimposed in the center.
 - e) Cadets authorized to wear the Distinguished Military Student badge will not wear the cadet status insignia.
- j. Insignia of Rank for Cadet Officers.**
 - 1) Description.
 - a) The insignia for cadet field grade officers consists of flat diamonds ¾ inch wide and 1¼ inches long.
 - b) The insignia for company grade officers consists of flat pips, ¾ inch in diameter.
 - c) All insignias are of silver metal. Black subdued will only be worn with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS).
 - 2) Wear.
 - a) On black jacket, jacket rank will be worn on the shoulder loops 5/8 inch from outside seam.
 - b) On shirt collars it will be worn centered on right collar with outside edge of insignia 1 inch from the front of collar.

- c) On the Class “A” jacket and white short-sleeve shirt it will be on a plain black shoulder loop sleeves with ½ inch braided red (yellow for field officer) border at each end. Insignia is placed 5/8 inch from end of shoulder sleeve.
- d) On the garrison cap it will be worn on the left side of the cap. The insignia is worn one inch from the front crease and equal distance from the upper flap and the bottom crease of the cap.
- e) On the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS), cadet rank (subdued only) is worn vertically on the Velcro patch / front of ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) shirt with pin-on rank horizontally on the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) hat (also subdued only).

k. Insignia of Grade for Cadet NCOs, PFCs and PVT.

- 1) Description.
 - a) Insignia is gold color with a black background on a cloth shoulder loop.
 - b) No brass “pin on” rank is authorized for any uniform sweater or the black service jacket. Black subdued will only be worn with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS).
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Shoulder loop sleeve slipped over shoulder loops of uniform.
 - b) Worn by all cadets with grade of cadet CSM and below.
 - c) On sweater and black jackets it will be worn on the shoulder loops/epaulets.
 - d) On the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS), cadet rank (subdued only) is worn vertically on the Velcro patch / front of ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) shirt with pin-on rank horizontally on the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) hat (also subdued only).

l. Name Plate/ Name Tag.

- 1) Description.
 - a) A 1 x 3 inch black plastic plate with white letters.
 - b) Block type white lettering 3/8 to ½ inch high indicating cadet’s last name.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Worn on the Class “A” jacket, shirt and black sweater.
 - b) Centered, right to left, on the right pocket flap and then centered from the top of the pocket and top of button.
 - c) When worn on the black sweater, nameplate is centered on the bottom seam of the silk pocket patch.

m. Honor Unit with Distinction Award.

- 1) Description.
 - a) A 5-pointed star of gold color metal and yellow enamel 9/16 inch in diameter.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) This award is worn by High School cadets only on Class “A” and “B” uniforms as directed by USACC.
 - b) It is centered above the right breast pocket, 1/8 inch above the pocket or ½ inch above the Cadet Status Insignia bar(s) when worn.

- c) This award will take precedence over other insignia worn above the right pocket except for:
 - Distinguished Military Student badge.
 - ROTC academic achievement award.
 - Academy Pin/ USMC Eagle, Globe and Anchor.
 - ROTC/National Guard/Reserve unit crest.

n. Academic Achievement Awards.

- 1) Description.
 - a) A 5-point $\frac{3}{4}$ inch silver star with an NMMI insignia superimposed in the center.
 - b) Superintendent's List Award will have a red and black felt background.
 - c) Dean's List Award will have a red felt background.
 - d) The Commandant's List Award is a 5-pointed star of gold color metal and white enamel $\frac{9}{16}$ inch in diameter worn with a black felt background.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Centered above the left breast pocket on Class "A" coat.
 - b) Centered above the left breast pocket on the shirt when the shirt is the outer garment.
 - c) These three awards are not worn simultaneously. Highest award is worn.

o. Marksmanship Qualification Badges.

- 1) Description.
 - a) As prescribed in AR 670-1. (See SROTC department.)
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Centered on the flap of the left breast pocket of the Class "A" coat.
 - b) Centered on the flap of the left breast pocket of the shirt when worn as an outer garment.
 - c) Not more than one marksmanship badge will be worn at one time.
 - d) Cadets qualifying for this award will wear it only after announced order by the PMS or SAI.

p. US Army Qualification Badges.

- 1) Description.
 - a) As prescribed in AR 670-1. (See SROTC department.)
- 2) Wear.
 - a) As prescribed in AR 670-1. (See SROTC department)
 - b) Cadets will wear only after their name has come out on announced orders.

q. "S" Squad Leader Course.

- 1) Description.
 - a) Silver blocked "S" $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in height.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Worn on Class "A," "B," and "C" uniforms only.
 - This award is centered both top to bottom and left to right on the left breast pocket.

- If cadet has completed Cadre training as a senior NCO (MSG and above), they will be authorized to wear the black felt disc behind the silver “S.”
- If cadet has completed Cadre training as an officer, they will be authorized to wear the red felt disc behind the silver “S.”

r. “Legacy” pin and felt discs. The Legacy pin and felt discs are issued by the Alumni Relations office indicates that the cadet is a descendant of an alumnus/alumnae and the felt circle will represent the generations in the family are alumni. the color hierarchy for the 1.25 inch felt circles behind the pins is as follows:

1) Description

a) Generation:

- Second Generation
- Third Generation
- Fourth Generation
- Fifth Generation
- Six Generation

Felt Color:

- No Felt
- Black Felt
- Red Felt
- Black and Red Felt
- Yellow Felt

b) Wear.

- Worn on Class “A,” “B,” and “C” uniforms only.
- Worn centered on right breast pocket.

s. Shoulder Cords.

1) Description.

a) Shoulder cords will be of a single loop, braided cord design.

2) Wear.

- a) Only one cord per shoulder may be worn at a time. A cadet eligible to wear more than one cord may decide which cord to wear.
- b) Worn with Class “A” and “B” uniforms.
- c) May be worn with the prescribed uniform during the performance of the unit activity or function.
- d) The following shoulder cords are authorized (with stock numbers. In some cases more than one stock number is listed due to vendor source):
- Band – gray on left shoulder. #3738550
 - JROTC Color Guard – yellow on left shoulder. (issued by JROTC only)
 - JROTC High School Battalion Commander’s Cord – yellow with one braid, two knots, and two tips to be worn on left shoulder to identify cadet as HS battalion commander. (issued by JROTC only)
 - JROTC Raider Venturing Cord – black and gold to be worn on left shoulder. (issued by JROTC only)
 - NMMI Color Guard – interwoven red and white on left shoulder. #3740500
 - Goss Rifle Drill Team – black on left shoulder. #3738500
 - Kronauer Centurion Rifle Drill Team – interwoven black and red on left shoulder. #3738500
 - Honor Troop – Harry Morrison – white on right shoulder. #3739000.
 - Regimental (cadets assigned to Juliet Troop) – interwoven red and black with single strand shoulder loops on right shoulder. #3731117
 - Constabulary Detail – blue on left shoulder. #3738900
 - Choir – blue and gold on left shoulder. #3740300

- National Honor Society or Phi Theta Kappa – Officers Only – light blue and white on left shoulder. #3740500082
 - Honor Board – black with yellow shoulder loops worn on left shoulder. Will also be worn on Class “C.” # 3740772. This cord is issued by the DCS to cadets listed on the Honor Board order and these cords are to be returned to the DCS before the cadet leaves at the end of the semester, prior to graduation, or for any other reason for permanent departure.
 - Chapel Choir – purple worn on left shoulder. #3740540409
 - Cadet Peer Tutors – green worn on left shoulder. #3738650
 - Saber Line – orange; worn on left shoulder. Double tips is for saber line commander and single tip is for members of saber line. #3711605
 - Colt/Bronco Marksman (Rifle Team) Activity – tan worn on left shoulder. #3738400
 - Service Academy Preparatory Program Cord – purple and gold with purple outside and gold inside worn on the left shoulder. To be worn by “formal” or sponsored prep program cadets only (not to be worn by self-prep cadets). #3740550413
 - Etiquette Committee – black and white worn on the left shoulder. Cord will have two tassels, each covered with gold tip awarded to cadets who have served on the committee for more than one year. New cadets may wear the cord after one full semester of committee service. #3740770478
 - Athletic Trainer/Sports Medicine/Master of Fitness. Red, worn on the left shoulder. # 3738950
 - Yates Leadership Center - Primary cord colors to be royal blue and white with two red loops on the side with five knots each worn on the left shoulder. #3740535.
 - Flame Guard – Royal blue, white, and black colors with silver tips. #. To be worn by current, and former members of Flame Guard in Good Standing only worn on the left shoulder.
- e) Shoulder cords are unit distinctive devices and not individual awards. Cadets are authorized the cords for wear only as long as they are active members of the unit or activity.
- f) If a cadet was a member of the Honor Troop when the troop won the award they may wear the cord for one semester even if they are transferred to another troop.

t. Medals and Ribbons.

- 1) Ribbons from the U.S. Armed Forces will not be mixed with JROTC, SROTC, CAP, or NMMI ribbons. JROTC and SROTC ribbons will not be mixed. NMMI ribbons can be worn with JROTC, CAP or SROTC ribbons.
- 2) The only ribbons authorized for wear on the uniform are the following:
 - a) Ribbons representing authorized US and foreign awards.
 - b) Ribbons representing and issued for national ROTC achievement.
 - c) Ribbons representing NMMI historical and traditional awards.
 - d) Ribbons representing NMMI academic, military and athletic awards.
 - e) Ribbons representing Civil Air Patrol awards. CAP awards will be worn in sequence (precedence) after or subordinate to SROTC, JROTC, or NMMI awards on the NMMI cadet uniform.

- 3) Medals (full size) consisting of ribbons with medal pendants are authorized for wear with the Formal Class "A" uniform only. Either ribbons or ribbons with medal pendants are authorized to be worn at one time, not both.
- 4) Medallions with drapes that have been awarded are authorized to be worn with the Formal "A" uniform only and only one may be worn at the same time.
- 5) Ribbon awards, including ribbons representing medals and medallions, are authorized for wear on Winter Class "A" coat and Class "B" uniforms only.
- 6) Medals or ribbons will be worn centered above the left breast pocket in rows with a maximum of three to each row. Rows consisting of one or two ribbons will be worn centered.
- 7) Medals will not be worn at the same time with the ribbons they represent.
- 8) Ribbons will be worn according to their precedence number. Awards will be worn in order of precedence with the position of importance being "UP" and to the wearer's right.
- 9) The appurtenance indicating second award is the silver lamp device; third award is the gold lamp device; fourth and subsequent awards are bronze Arabic numeral(s).

u. Service Academy Pins.

- 1) Description.
 - a) Distinctive pin from each service academy denoting cadets preparing for academy attendance.
 - USMA pin: West Point Crest.
 - USAFA pin: Falcon insignia.
 - USNA: Naval Academy Crest.
 - USMMA pin: Uniform device shield.
 - USCGA pin: Enameled pin with crest.
 - USMC "Eagle, Globe, and Anchor" for cadets accepted into the USMC PL program. Non Subdued pin on only.
 - b) Service Academy pins are presented by the academies and are not available from the Cadet Store.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Will be worn ½ inch above Cadet Status Insignia (not in place of).
 - b) Will be worn as long as the cadet is a part of the Service Academy Prep program.

v. Commander's Pins.

- 1) Description ("NMMI" stacked logo).
 - a) Cadet Commanders are authorized to be awarded the Commander's Pin when the Cadet has held a command Position for 9 weeks or more.
- 2) Responsibilities:
 - a) The Regimental Adjutant is responsible to maintain a record of how long commanders are in their positions.
 - b) The Regimental Adjutant is responsible for preparing recommendations for the awarding of the Commanders Pin to the Regimental Commander.
 - c) The Regimental Commander is responsible for approving or denying the recommendation and to brief the Commandant.
- 3) Wear.
 - a) The Commander's Pin is worn with Class "A," "B" and "C" uniforms.

- b) The Commander's Pin is worn on the right side of the uniform 1/8th inch above the Nametag, or 1/2 inch above the Old Cadet bars, Honor Star (if worn) and Chaplin's Insignia (if earned).
- c) Troop Commanders will wear the Pin with a circular piece of red felt behind the pin.
- d) Squadron Commanders will wear the Pin with a circular piece of black felt behind the pin.
- e) The Regimental Commander will wear the Pin with a circular piece of black behind a circular piece of red felt.
- f) Once a Cadet has earned the Commander's Pin they are allowed to wear the pin if they are promoted to a higher position.
- g) Cadets who are demoted are authorized to wear the Pin if they are moved to a Troop Commander Position or Squadron/Regimental Staff position (i.e., no cadet in the position of Platoon Leader or below will be authorized to wear the Commander's Pin).
- h) The Commander's Pin is issued by the Commandant.

w. NMMI Pilot Wings.

- 1) Cadets enrolled in the NMMI flight training program who earn their private pilot's license will be authorized the "NMMI Pilot Wings". These wings will be awarded at the end of the school year awards ceremony.

x. Ham Radio Operators Pin/device (see Encl. 2 for graphic).

- 1) Authorized upon approval and recommendation by the Ham Radio Club Advisor.
- 2) Device to be worn to the left of the squadron numeral (toward center line of clothing item) on the left breast pocket flap in accordance with AR 670-1 (placement of pins on the pocket flap) and worn with Class A coat, B-with brass, or Class C.
- 3) Device may be mixed with other US Army badges or pins (e.g. Airborne wings, marksmanship badges) but only on the cadet uniform.

y. Diver Pin.

- 1) Authorized upon approval and recommendation by the NMMI Scuba cadet activity sponsor.
- 2) Device to be worn to the left of the squadron numeral (toward center line of clothing item) on the left breast pocket flap in accordance with AR 670-1 (placement of pins on the pocket flap) and worn with Class A coat, B-with brass, or Class C.
- 3) Device may be mixed with other US Army badges or pins (e.g. Airborne wings, marksmanship badges) but only on the cadet uniform.

z. Chaplain Brass.

- 1) Description.
 - a) Silver Disk with "Book" superimposed.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Worn on right side of uniform 1/2 inch above cadet status insignia.
 - b) Must receive recommendation from Chaplain and approval from the Commandant.

aa. Squadron Numeral.

- 1) Description.
 - a) Silver "1", "2", or "3" pin 5/8 inch in height designating currently assigned squadron.
- 2) Wear.

- a) Worn on the left breast pocket flap of the white shirt (B w/Brass) or left breast pocket flap of the Blue coat centered on the flap and centered from the top of the button to the top seam of the pocket flap.
- b) All cadets assigned to a squadron are authorized to purchase and wear the numerical designation of the squadron they are currently assigned to.
- c) When a cadet transfers from one squadron to another he/she must purchase and wear the numerical designator of the squadron currently assigned to.
- d) When other items are authorized to be worn on the left breast pocket flap the numeral will still be worn centered above the button with the other authorized item worn to the left of the numeral (toward center line of clothing).
- e) When more than one item is authorized to be worn on the left breast pocket flap (e.g. Basic Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge) the numeral is still worn on the center of the pocket flap. Numeral may be mixed with US Army badges or pins but only on the cadet uniform.

bb. First Sergeant / Sergeant Major whistle and chain.

- 1) Description.
 - a) Chain no longer than 22 inches and ¼ inch in diameter.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) Worn on left side of uniform extending from edge of the rank to the left breast pocket attached to a whistle.
 - b) First Sergeants will wear one gold chain with whistle attached.
 - c) Sergeants Major will wear one silver chain with whistle attached.
 - d) If you were promoted from 1SG to SGM or CSM you are allowed to wear one silver chain and whistle only.
 - e) Once a cadet is promoted out of the position and maintains rank of 2LT or higher, he/she is still qualified to wear the whistle and chain.
 - f) When a cadet 1SG or SGM is demoted they are no longer authorized to wear any whistle and chain until they regain First Sergeant or Sergeant Major rank.
 - g) Whistles will be issued by the DCS and will not be available for purchase from the cadet store. Authorization for issue will be published promotion order to rank as listed.

cc. Headgear.

- 1) Description.
 - a) The blue service cap with NMMI hat device.
 - b) The blue garrison cap
 - c) The beret (Goss Rifles uniform only)
 - d) The ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) soft cap (always worn with individual's last name on Velcro patch on back of cap unless 'sterilized' ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) is designated for training events).
 - e) The ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) fleece cap or the NMMI issued black watch cap. The ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) fleece cap may be worn with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) uniform when designated as UOD and may be worn with the Army PT uniform but may not be worn with the NMMI PT uniform when the black watch cap will be worn.
- 2) Wear.
 - a) The blue service cap with NMMI hat device may be worn only by cadet officers.
 - b) The blue garrison cap is to be worn by all cadets in the "A" or "B" uniform when

- The cadet officer has not yet been issued the service cap or when the service cap is not worn and
 - By all other cadets wearing the “A” or “B” uniform.
- c) The beret similar in color to any one of the following active duty units is not authorized for wear by any cadet; Special Forces (green), Ranger (Tan), Airborne (Maroon) or US Army (Black).
- d) The following berets are authorized for wear:
- Goss Rifles: Red with red and black flash
 - Color Guard (JROTC): Yellow with black and yellow flash
 - Venturing (JROTC): Grey with grey, black, and yellow flash
- e) The ACU soft cap is the only authorized head gear in garrison with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS). Note:
The ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) fleece cap is only authorized with the US Army Physical Fitness Uniform and will not be worn by cadets on Post with any other uniform. (During extreme weather the Commandant may authorize temporary wear of the fleece cap or the issued black watch cap with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS)). The issued black watch cap may only be worn with one fold up over the ears and will not be worn on the top, back, or sides of the head or without being folded one time. No other watch caps are authorized.
- f) No headgear is authorized for wear with Formal “A” after 1700 hrs.
- g) Active Flame Guard cadets in Good Standing may wear the red hat band with the Blue Service Cap and the US Army enlisted blue belt with buckle while wearing the Flame Guard uniform and on status for Flame Guard.

dd. Patches, Velcro (ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS))

- 1) Description:
 - a) The “Leadership Excellence” patch (USACC)
 - b) The “JROTC” shoulder patch (USACC)
 - c) The NMMI “Bronco” Velcro patch.
 - d) “US ARMY” ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) Velcro name tape – issued by SROTC
 - e) “JROTC” ACU Velcro name tape – issued by JROTC to all HS cadets
 - f) “NMMI” ACU Velcro name tape – issued by the Cadet Store to all JC cadets at Initial Issue
 - g) US Army combat patch
 - h) Service nametapes
 - i) Red new cadet patch worn on ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS)
 - j) Goss Rifles Drill Team tab. The subdued “GOSS RIFLES” tab is authorized for purchase and wear by active members of the Goss Rifles as verified by the JROTC office. This tab is authorized for wear on the ACU left shoulder pocket flap by active members of the Goss Rifles Drill Team.

- 2) **The “Leadership Excellence” patch (USACC)** is authorized for wear on the left shoulder of the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) uniform by MS 3 and MS 4 SROTC enrolled cadets. MS 1 and MS 2 cadets will wear the NMMI Bronco Patch on the left shoulder and not the Leadership Excellence patch.

- 3) **“JROTC” shoulder patch.** JROTC cadets wear on the left shoulder and the “JROTC” nametag above the left breast pocket. JROTC cadets are not authorized to wear the NMMI Bronco Patch on the *right* shoulder.
 - 4) **The “US Army” nametape** is worn on the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) above the left breast pocket only by MS 3 and MS 4 cadets. MS 1 and MS 2 cadets will wear the “NMMI” nametape.
 - 5) **US FLAG.** SROTC enrolled cadets may wear the US FLAG non-subdued Velcro patch on the right shoulder of the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) above the right shoulder patch area over the pocket flap.
 - a) The US FLAG patch is not authorized for wear by any HS cadet.
 - 6) **A US Army unit combat patch** may be worn on the right shoulder only by JC cadets authorized by prior service in a combat zone and documented in their personnel file. NO other right shoulder patch is authorized for wear with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) on the NMMI Post for HS or JC cadets.
 - 7) **No other service ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) nametape** is authorized to include service identities of US Navy, US Air Force, US Coast Guard, Merchant Marine or any other type.
 - 8) **“RAT Patch.” The red Velcro patch** will be worn by all new cadets on the front of the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) shirt hook and loop square to designate new cadet status. This patch takes the place of wearing the red T-shirt by new cadets. The red T-shirt is not authorized with the ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS).
- ee. Goss Rifles Drill Team tab.** The non-subdued (red arch with black lettering) GOSS RIFLES tab is authorized to be worn by active members of the Goss Drill Team. This tab is to be worn above and touching the Bronco left shoulder patch on the Class A, B, and C uniform. JROTC will validate cadets who are actively participating in the Goss Rifles Drill Team. The tab must be purchased by authorized cadets who must also pay for the alterations fees to remove and lower the JROTC shoulder patch and add the tab. Cadets no longer authorized to wear the tab are responsible for paying for alterations to remove it and replace the JROTC shoulder patch on their uniform.
- ff. “Military bracelets”** are authorized for wear one at a time and will be of a recognized military purpose to remember I.D./POW/KIA/MIA and may be worn in silver, black, or red color only.
- gg. “Religious” or “Cultural” wrist bracelets** or cords must be approved individually upon request from the cadet through his/her TLA and SLA to the Chaplain to the Commandant using the Staff Summary Sheet process.
- hh. Scarf.** The scarf (issued or otherwise) is not authorized for wear by any cadet. Staff and Faculty may wear the scarf as described in the NMMI O&P Manual. (Black only without any logo or fringe, worn right over left one time under the black service jacket or ACU (OCP FOR CONTRACTED ECP CADETS) fleece or Goretex jacket only. The scarf may not be worn with the black sweater (cardigan or pullover) as an outer garment, or with the Class A coat, or with a uniform shirt alone.

ii. Ear Muffs. Ear muffs may not be worn with any uniform by anyone (Corps, Staff, Faculty).

jj. Patches, NMMI cadet coat, black.

- 1) The following patches are authorized for wear on the NMMI cadet uniform black coat:
 - a) Athletic “I” letter
 - b) Constabulary patch
 - c) Goss patch
 - d) Centurion patch
 - e) Regimental band patch
 - f) Regimental choir patch
- 2) The only authorized vendor for affixing the patch is the alterations staff in the Cadet Store at Alterations.
- 3) A maximum of two patches may be worn at one time in addition to the athletic “I”.
- 4) The athletic patch is worn on the left breast of the black service jacket or the “letterman jacket”, and is authorized to be worn on the athletic “letterman jacket” along with the patch football, baseball, basketball, etc. available exclusively through the Cadet Store at cadet expense and the letterman jacket must be approved by the Athletic Director.
- 5) The patches in the list above; items (b-f), are available in the Cadet Store and a list of cadets authorized to wear these patches will be provided to the Store by the staff or fACU (OCP for contracted ECP cadets)lty sponsor or department to authenticate approval.
- 6) The patches in the list above; items (b-f) are worn in the following manner:
 - When one patch is worn, it will be centered 1 inch below the cadet last name on the right breast.
 - When two patches are worn, they will be centered with the top patch one inch below the last name on the right breast and the second patch centered 1 inch below the upper patch.
- 7) No other patches are authorized for wear on the NMMI cadet black coat.

kk. Sweater, black, pull over. The sweater is not authorized to be worn as an undergarment. The only uniform item that this sweater may be worn under is the black cadet service jacket. The black cardigan sweater is not authorized for cadets.

ll. Rain jacket, black. For SY 2018-19 RATS were issued one black rain jacket that may be worn on Post with the ACU only. It may be worn over the ACU blouse or over the fleece jacket for additional wet weather protection. Note: This is a NMMI cadet uniform and wear is not authorized for wear in any other method than as a cadet-only, on Post uniform or as directed otherwise by the Commandant of Cadets.

mm. Any item not listed in this SOP must be submitted through the DCS to the Commandant for individual approval using the Staff Summary Sheet process (See TLA or SLA for SSS).

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Encls.

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Enclosure 1 – Descriptions of Cadet Awards

Medallions, Medals and Ribbons

General – This section prescribes the medallions, medals and ribbons which are authorized for wear by members of the Corps. The only ribbons authorized for wear on the uniform are the following:

1. Ribbons representing authorized U.S and foreign awards
2. Ribbons representing and issued with national ROTC achievement awards
3. Ribbons representing NMMI historical and traditional awards
4. Ribbons representing NMMI academic, military and athletic awards

Medals consisting of ribbons with medal pendants are authorized for wear on the Class “A” (formal) uniform only. Ribbon awards, including ribbons representing medals and medallions, are authorized for wear on Class “A” (winter) and Class “B” only.

Medals or ribbons will be worn centered above the left breast pocket on rows with a maximum of three to each row. Rows consisting of one or two ribbons will be worn centered.

A precedence (sequence of award from highest to lowest) number is assigned to medals and ribbons in the paragraph describing each award. Such awards will be worn in the order of precedence with the position of the highest award at the top closest to the center line and the least precedence at the bottom, or final position toward the wearer’s left arm.

Appurtenances indicating second award is the silver lamp device; third award if the gold lamp device and fourth and subsequent awards are bronze Arabic numeral(s).

National ROTC Achievement Awards

1. NMMI cadets who are enrolled in ROTC are eligible to compete for the following National Achievement Awards. The section procedures and criteria are specified in AR 145-1 and AR 145-2.
2. ROTC awards will be issued through either JROTC or SROTC departments to those cadets eligible.
 - a. ROTC Medal for Heroism – Precedence 1
 - b. Department of the Army Superior Cadet Decoration Award – Precedence 2
 - c. Legion of Valor Bronze Cross for Achievement – Precedence 3
 - d. Association of the US Army Award – Precedence 4
 - e. Association of the US Army Award for ROTC Advanced Camp Achievement – Precedence 5
 - f. Reserve Officers Association Award – Precedence 6
 - g. American Legion Award – Precedence 7
 - h. Veterans of Foreign Wars Award – Precedence Award
 - i. American Veterans of World War II Award – Precedence 9
 - j. National Sojourners Award – Precedence 10
 - k. Sons of the American Revolution Award – Precedence 11
 - l. Military Order of the World Wars Awards – Precedence 12
 - m. Daughters of the American Revolution Award – Precedence 13
 - n. Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Award – Precedence 14
 - o. Association of Military College and Schools of the United States Award – Precedence 15

Medallions: NMMI normally recognizes individual achievement by awarding suitable engraved medallion on a neck ribbon corresponding in color to the area of endeavor (academics, athletics, military, etc) These medallions, except at the time of award, are not worn as part of the uniform.

1. Board of Regent Medallion – Precedence 16
 - a. Description – Represented by ribbon 1348
 - b. Criteria – Outstanding achievement as recognized by the Board of Regents
 - c. Authority to wear – Board of Regents

2. Superintendent's Medallion – Precedence 17
 - a. Description – represented by ribbon 1323
 - b. Criteria – Outstanding achievement worthy of special recognition by the Superintendent
 - c. Authority to wear – Superintendent
3. Commandant of Cadets Medallion – Precedence 18
 - a. Description – Represented by ribbon 5024
 - b. Criteria – Outstanding achievement worthy of special recognition by the Commandant of Cadets.
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
4. Deans Medallion – Precedence 19
 - a. Description – Represented by ribbon 1226
 - b. Criteria – Outstanding achievement worthy of special recognition by the Dean.
 - c. Authority to wear – Academic Dean
5. Professor of Military Science Medallion – Precedence 20
 - a. Description – represented by ribbon 3406 or 1295
 - b. Criteria – outstanding achievement worthy of special recognition by the Professor of Military Science.
 - c. Authority to wear – Professor of Military Science
6. Director of Athletics Medallion – Precedence 21
 - a. Description – represented by ribbon 1206
 - b. Criteria – outstanding achievement worthy of special recognition by the Director of Athletics.
 - c. Authority to wear – Director of Athletics

NMMI Historical and Traditional Awards: (Issued at the spring or fall awards ceremony)

1. Harry Morrison Award – Precedence 22
 - a. Description – a medal pendant with ribbon (represented by ribbon R-4-1)
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have been assigned member of the Troop accumulating the most points for the academic year (Harry Morrison Competition)
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
2. H.P. Saunders Award – Precedence 23 (Issued at an annual ceremony)
 - a. Description – a gold metal pin, 5/8" x 3/4 inch with the words "HP Saunders, JR, Commandant's Award."
 - b. Criteria – awarded annually for outstanding conduct and performance as a cadet and student (1 cadet per class) and issued at a ceremony (typically a spring parade) following a competition where cadets compete against each other resulting in one winner per class as determined by the cadet Command Sergeant Major.
 - c. How worn – The pin will be centered above the left breast shirt or class A coat pocket 1/4 inch above and centered on the pocket flap, or above the squadron numeral when worn, or above ribbons a cadet is authorized to wear. For the female shirt the bottom of the pin will be on line with the bottom of the name tag and also worn centered on the left breast of the white shirt or Class A coat and as otherwise described for males.
 - d. Authority to wear – Commandant
3. Andras M. Marton Award – Precedence 24 (medallion issued at the spring or fall awards ceremony)
 - a. Description – a medal pendant with ribbon (represented by ribbon 1344 for Best Old Cadet and 1495 for Best Yearling Cadet)
 - b. Criteria – awarded annually for outstanding performance in the Corps as a high school yearling, and as a high school or college old cadet for the entire year.
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

4. COL Eben R. Wyles Award – Precedence 25 (medallion issued at the spring or fall awards ceremony)
 - a. Description – a medal pendant with ribbon (represented by ribbon 1222) – automatic promotion to cadet corporal
 - b. Criteria – awarded annually to one cadet in each troop selected as the best high school new cadet
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

5. LTC Tom O. Matchin, Sr. Award – Precedence 26 (medallion issued at the January Matchin Awards ceremony)
 - a. Description – a medal pendant with ribbon drape, ribbon, and lapel pin. (represented by ribbon 1490) – automatic promotion to cadet corporal
 - b. Criteria – awarded annually at the end of the 1st semester to one cadet in each troop selected as the best college new cadet
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

6. Sam and Henry Pick Award – Precedence 27 (medallion issued at the spring or fall awards ceremony)
 - a. Description – a medal pendant with ribbon (represented by ribbon 5024) – automatic promotion to a cadet private first class
 - b. Criteria – awarded annually to the high school new cadet that has shown the greatest amount of growth and improvement in adapting to cadet life, academic achievement, attitude and involvement in extra-curricular activities.
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

7. Eagle Scout Award – Precedence 28
 - a. Description – a medal pendant with ribbon (represented by ribbon 1527)
 - b. Criteria – awarded to those cadets boy scouts who attain the rank of Eagle Scout
 - c. Authority to wear – Troop 30 Scoutmaster or Commandant

8. Boy Scout Award – Precedence 29
 - a. Description – ribbon
 - b. Criteria – awarded to those male cadets who are current or former Boy Scouts.
 - c. Authority for wear - Commandant

Academic Achievement Award:

1. NMMI Academic Excellence Award – Precedence 30 (medallion issued at the spring or fall awards ceremony)
 - a. Description – ribbon R-1-1
 - b. Criteria – cadets must have been on the Dean’s List a minimum of 3 semesters
 - c. Authority to wear – Academic Dean

2. Phi Theta Kappa Fraternity Award – Precedence 31 (issued at the PTK Induction Ceremony)
 - a. Description – ribbon 1500
 - b. Criteria – Induction into the Phi Theta Kappa Fraternity
 - c. Authority to Wear – Academic Dean

3. National Honor Society Award – Precedence 32
 - a. Description – ribbon 1293
 - b. Criteria – induction into the National Honor Society
 - c. Authority to wear – Academic Dean

4. College Outstanding Student Award – Precedence 33
 - a. Description – ribbon R-1-6

- b. Criteria – cadet must be designated by the Academic Dean as the outstanding student in one of the following departments:
 - 1) Biology
 - 2) Chemistry
 - 3) English
 - 4) Foreign Language
 - 5) Business Administration
 - 6) Physics
 - 7) Social Sciences
 - 8) Fine Arts
 - 9) Mathematics
- c. Authority to wear – Academic Dean

Achievement Awards:

1. Commandant’s Commendation Award – Precedence 34
 - a. Description – ribbon R-4-3
 - b. Criteria – cadet must perform outstanding service worthy of special recognition
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant of Cadets

2. NMMI Department Excellence Award – Precedence 35
 - a. Description – ribbon R-3-4
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have been on the Commandant’s List a minimum of three consecutive semesters
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant of Cadets

3. Cadet Honor Board – Precedence 36 (Honor Board cadets also issued the shoulder cord by the Commandant’s office)
 - a. Description – ribbon 1519 / 4040
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have been on the Cadet Honor Board one year
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant of Cadets

4. Intramural Excellence Award (Bronco Olympics) – Precedence 37
 - a. Description – ribbon 1504
 - b. Criteria – awarded on the basis of participation, spirit and overall excellence in Corps intramurals or all-around sportsmanship
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

5. Physical Fitness Proficiency Award – Precedence 38
 - a. Description – college ribbon R-2-2; high school ribbon N-2-2
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have achieved a score of 240 or better on an official physical fitness test
 - c. Authority to wear – orders issued by the Commandant

6. NMMI Band Award – Precedence 39
 - a. Description – ribbon 1375 or 3625 (yellow with green/red/white/blue stripes)
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have been a member of the NMMI band for a period of one year
 - c. Authority to wear – Recommendation and confirmation by the bandmaster and orders issued by the Commandant

7. NMMI Band Award – Precedence 39
 - a. Description – ribbon 1107 or 3606 (red/white/blue stripes)
 - b. Criteria – determined by the Bandmaster

- c. Authority to wear – Recommendation and confirmation by the bandmaster and orders issued by the Commandant
8. Troop Competition Award (Harry Morrison) – Precedence 40
 - a. Description – ribbon R-4-2
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have been an assigned member of a winning troop during the first or second semester troop competition (Harry Morrison winning troop)
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
 9. Cadet Achievement Award (Best New Cadet) – Precedence 41
 - a. Description – ribbon 1506
 - b. Criteria – awarded to selected cadet for overall excellence in character, military bearing, physical fitness and achievement in all facets of cadet life
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
 10. Drill Team (Kronauer Centurion/Junior College only) Award – Precedence 42
 - a. Description – ribbon 1436
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have participated in an official drill competition sponsored by NMMI or three or more official drill competitions sponsored by other institutions. No more than one award will be granted during the school year. Second and subsequent awards reflecting years of participation will be indicated by appurtenances affixed to the ribbon
 - c. Authority to wear – orders issued by the Commandant
 11. Drill Team (Goss Rifles) Award – Precedence 43
 - a. Description – ribbon 1518
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have participated in an official drill competition sponsored by NMMI or three or more official competitions sponsored by other institutions. No more than one award will be granted during the school year. Second and subsequent awards reflecting years of participation will be indicated by appurtenances affixed to the ribbon
 - c. Authority to wear – recommendation and confirmation by the SAI and orders issued by the Commandant
 12. Platoon Close Order Drill Competition Award – Precedence 44
 - a. Description – ribbon R-3-6
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have participated as a member of a squad, platoon or troop that won first place in an official drill competition sponsored by the JROTC
 - c. Authority to wear - recommendation and confirmation by the PMS and orders issued by the Commandant
 13. Buglers Award – Precedence 45
 - a. Description – ribbon R-4-5
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have participated as a Bugler for a period of one year or more
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
 14. NMMI Spirit and Loyalty Award (Recruiting Award) – Precedence 46
 - a. Description – ribbon 1320 / 5404
 - b. Criteria – awarded to those cadets who voluntarily and successfully undertake hometown or personal time away from school to do recruiting or other such service functions for NMMI
 - c. Authority to wear – Coordination with and recommendation of the PMS and/or Director of Admissions and confirmed by the Commandant

15. Basic Camp Completion Award – Precedence 47
 - a. Description – ribbon R-4-4
 - b. Criteria – successful completion of US Army ROTC Basic Camp or US Army Basic Combat Training/Advanced Individual Training (BCT/AIT)
 - c. Authority to wear – US Army ROTC Basic competition certificate or documentation showing completion of BCT/AIT

16. USMA Award – Precedence 48
 - a. Description – ribbon 1244 / 3278 / 3210
 - b. Criteria – awarded to those cadets who receive appointments to the United States Military Academy
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

17. USNA Award 0 Precedence 49
 - a. Description – ribbon 1204
 - b. Criteria – awarded to those cadets who receive appointments to the United States Naval Academy
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

18. USAFA Award – Precedence 50
 - a. Description – ribbon 1212 / 3224
 - b. Criteria – awarded to those cadets who receive appointments to the United States Air Force Academy
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

19. Constabulary Detail Award – Precedence 51
 - a. Description – ribbon 1390
 - b. Criteria – cadet must have been a bona fide member in good standing to the cadet constabulary detail
 - c. Authority to wear – Confirmation by the NMMI Chief of Police and publication by the Commandant of Cadets

20. Cadet Color Guard Award – Precedence 52
 - a. Description – ribbon 1372
 - b. Criteria – cadet must be a bona fide member of the dismounted color guard details in good standings
 - c. Authority to wear – recommendation and confirmation by the color guard sponsor (DCS) and the Commandant and publication by the Commandant.

21. Bronco Outstanding Athlete Award (Athletic Achievement Award) – Precedence 53
 - a. Description – ribbon R-2-7
 - b. Criteria – cadet must be the recipient of one of the following awards:
 - 1) Best Bronco Scholar Athletic Award
 - 2) Best All-around Bronco Athletic Award
 - 3) NRA Award for the Best Shot on the NMMI College Rifle Team or NMMI Rifle Team Award
 - 4) Most Valuable Bowler Award (provided recipient is a college student)
 - 5) Most Valuable Ski Club Member (provided recipient is a college student)
 - 6) Most Valuable Cowboy Award (provided recipient is a college cadet)
 - c. Or, be designated by the Director of Athletics as one of the following:
 - 1) Outstanding College Basketball Player of the Year

- 2) Outstanding College Golfer of the Year
 - 3) Outstanding College Trackman of the Year
 - 4) Outstanding College Tennis Player of the Year
 - 5) Outstanding Gymnast of the Year (provided recipient is college student)
 - b. Authority to wear – Athletic Director
- 22. Colt Outstanding Athlete Award – Precedence 54**
- a. Description – ribbon R-2-9
 - b. Criteria – cadet must be the recipient of one of the following annual awards:
 - 1) Colt Outstanding Basketball Player Award
 - 2) Colt Outstanding Football Player Award
 - 3) Colt Outstanding Golf Player Award
 - 4) Colt Outstanding Swimmer Award
 - 5) Colt Outstanding Soccer Player Award
 - 6) Colt Outstanding Tennis Player Award
 - 7) Colt High Point Track Award
 - 8) NRA Award for Outstanding Member of the NMMI High School Rifle Team
 - 9) Most Valuable Bowler Award (provided recipient is a high school student)
 - 10) Most Valuable Ski Club Member (provided recipient is a high school student)
 - 11) Outstanding Gymnast of the Year (provided recipient is a high school student)
 - c. Authority to wear – Athletic Director
- 23. NMMI Varsity Athletics Excellence Award – Precedence 55**
- a. Description – ribbon R-2-1 (Bronco); ribbon N-2-1 (Colt)
 - b. Criteria – cadets must have earned and been awarded a “letter” in a varsity sport
 - c. Authority to wear – Athletic Director
- 24. Legislative Scholarship Award – Precedence 56**
- a. Description – ribbon 5023.
 - b. Criteria – cadets must have been awarded the New Mexico Legislature Scholarship as reported by the Director of Admissions to the Commandant.
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
- 25. JROTC Program Accreditation (JPA) – Precedence 57**
- a. Description – ribbon R-3-1.
 - b. Criteria – cadets assigned to the best company as scored during the JPA as reported by the Senior Army Instructor (SAI) to the Commandant.
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant
- 26. Leadership Education Training (LET) – Precedence 58**
- a. Description – ribbon N-12
 - b. Criteria – all high school students in the JROTC program
 - c. Authority to wear – Senior Army Instructor
- 27. Flame Guard – Precedence 59**
- a. Description – ribbon 3012
 - b. Criteria – any current or former member of Flame Guard (does not have to be in Good Standing to wear as with the Flame Guard cord).
 - c. Authority to wear – Commandant

28. JROTC Recon – Precedence 60

- a. Description – ribbon
- b. Criteria – Determined by the Senior Army Instructor (SAI)
- c. Authority to wear - Commandant

Enclosure 2 – Graphic (does not show US Army or SROTC and JROTC issued awards)

- 1. The SROTC department in Dow Hall is the proponent for all SROTC/college ROTC awards.**
- 2. The JROTC department in the Daniel’s Leadership Center is the proponent for all JROTC awards.**
- 3. ALSO REFERENCE DISPLAY CASES IN CADET STORE**



Enclosure 3 – Tattoo and Branding Policy (excerpt from AR 670-1 and most recent US Army policy)

NMMI policy on cadet tattoos.

Cadets will not have extremist, indecent, racist, offensive, vulgar, profane, violent, or gang-related tattoos or brands. Cadets are prohibited from having tattoos or brands on the head, neck (anything above the t-shirt neck line to include on/inside the eyelids, mouth, and ears), wrists, hands, or fingers. No sleeve tattoos are permitted. A sleeve tattoo is a tattoo that is a very large tattoo or a collection of smaller tattoos that covers or almost covers a person's arm or leg. Sleeve tattoos are not authorized below the elbow or below the knee. Tattoos on the face or head (to include on/inside the eyelids, mouth, and ears) are prohibited. NMMI follows the current Army Regulation (AR) 670-1 *Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia* as a guideline.

AR 670-1 (31 MAR 14) Tattoo Policy (excerpt):

3-3. Tattoo, Branding, and Body Mutilation Policy

Note: This paragraph is punitive with regard to Soldiers. Violation by Soldiers may result in adverse administrative action and/or charges under the provisions of the UCMJ.

a. Tattoos and brands are permanent markings that are difficult to reverse (in terms of financial cost, discomfort, and effectiveness of removal techniques). Before obtaining either a tattoo or a brand, Soldiers should consider talking to unit leaders to ensure that they understand the Army tattoo and brand policy. The words tattoo and brand are interchangeable in regards to this policy.

b. The following types of tattoos or brands are prejudicial to good order and discipline and are, therefore, prohibited anywhere on a Soldier's body:

(1) Extremist. Extremist tattoos or brands are those affiliated with, depicting, or symbolizing extremist philosophies, organizations, or activities. Extremist philosophies, organizations, and activities are those which advocate racial, gender, or ethnic hatred or intolerance; advocate, create, or engage in illegal discrimination based on race, color, gender, ethnicity, religion, or national origin; or advocate violence or other unlawful means of depriving individual rights under the U.S. Constitution, and Federal or State law (see AR 600-20).

(2) Indecent. Indecent tattoos or brands are those that are grossly offensive to modesty, decency, propriety, or professionalism.

(3) Sexist. Sexist tattoos or brands are those that advocate a philosophy that degrades or demeans a person based on gender.

(4) Racist. Racist tattoos or brands are those that advocate a philosophy that degrades or demeans a person based on race, ethnicity, or national origin.

c. Tattoos or brands, regardless of subject matter, are prohibited on certain areas of the body as follows:

(1) Soldiers are prohibited from having tattoos or brands on the head, face (except for permanent makeup, as provided in paragraph 3-2b(2)), neck (anything above the t-shirt neck line to include on/inside the eyelids, mouth, and ears), wrists, hands, or fingers. Accessing applicants must adhere to this same policy.

(2) Soldiers may have no more than four visible tattoos below the elbow (to the wrist bone) or below the knee. The tattoos in these areas must be smaller than the size of the wearer's hand with fingers extended

and joined with the thumb touching the base of the index finger. The total count of all tattoos in these areas may not exceed a total of four.

(a) A single tattoo is defined as one or multiple tattoos spaced apart that can still be covered by a circle with a diameter of five inches. Tattoos spaced apart that cannot be covered by a circle with a diameter of five inches are considered separate tattoos.

(b) A band tattoo is a tattoo that fully encircles the circumference of the body part. Band tattoos may be no more than two inches in width. Each band tattoo counts as one authorized tattoo (see para 3-3c(2)). Soldiers may have a total of one visible band tattoo on the body. The band tattoo may either be below one elbow (above the wrist bone) or below one knee.

(c) A sleeve tattoo is a tattoo that is a very large tattoo or a collection of smaller tattoos that covers or almost covers a person's arm or leg. Sleeve tattoos are not authorized below the elbow or below the knee.

Tattoos on the face or head (to include on/inside the eyelids, mouth, and ears) are not grandfathered because these locations were never authorized locations for tattoos.

d. Soldiers may not cover tattoos or brands with bandages or make up in order to comply with the tattoo policy.