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Ref: (a) DMNA Regulation 10-1; New York Naval Militia Regulations
(b) NAVPERS 15665 (series); United States Navy Uniform Regulations
(c) MCO P1020.3 (series); United States Marine Corps Uniform Regulations
(d) COMDTINST M1020.6 (series); United States Coast Guard Uniform Regulations
(e) Title 10 US Code Section 772
(f) NYNMINST 1001.1 (series) Administration Manual

Encl: (1) New York Naval Militia Uniform Regulations

1. Purpose. To define New York Naval Militia (NYNM) uniform policies and provide regulations for the proper wear of the uniform, in accordance with references (a) through (f).

2. Cancellation. This instruction supersedes NYNMINST 1020.1B of 4 NOV 16.

3. Background. The nature of the Naval Militia force, made up largely of three separate federal components with different uniform requirements, poses a special difficulty for force uniformity. Each of the three maritime services (U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, and U.S. Coast Guard) has established comprehensive uniform regulations for its respective force. These regulations form the basis for the wearing of uniforms in the New York Naval Militia.

4. Policy and Direction. The policies and direction for uniform wear by New York Naval Militia members are found in enclosure (1).

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Section 1: General Information

1. Policy. Members of the New York Naval Militia (NYNM) are authorized to wear the uniforms prescribed in this instruction when on State Active Duty (SAD) orders or at appropriate ceremonial events in the State of New York. Unless authorized by the Office of The Adjutant General, the wearing of the New York Naval Militia uniform is not permitted while traveling to destinations outside of New York State. This includes ceremonial events. Participation in community events requires prior notification and approval of the Office of the Adjutant General, primarily to ensure that individuals are covered under the provisions of applicable state and/or federal guidelines and as a method of tracking the agencies participation in community events. In accordance with reference (f), members must contact Naval Militia headquarters at least 48 hours prior to participation in a community event for approval.

a. Prohibitions. Members of the New York Naval Militia, including retired members, are prohibited from wearing the Naval Militia uniform while engaged in any of the following activities, functions or circumstances unless authorized by the Commander, NYNM:

(1) Soliciting funds for any purpose from the public outside of a military base or establishment.

(2) Participating in any type of show or event which is commercially sponsored for advertising purposes, where it could be implied or construed that the Naval Militia endorses the product advertised.

(3) Endorsing commercial products in ways as to involve the uniform, title, grade or rate or in any way establish or imply their military affiliation with such products.

(4) Appearing or participating in any event in public that would compromise the dignity of the uniform.

b. Appearance. A Naval Militia member's duty and personal obligation is to maintain a professional and neat appearance. Any activity which detracts from the dignified appearance of a member is unacceptable.

(1) The use of chewing gum, chewing tobacco, cigarettes or the consumption of food while walking in uniform or while in formation are examples of activities that detract from the appearance expected of a New York Naval Militia member.

(2) Naval Militia members shall maintain the grooming standards for their respective component in accordance with references (b) through (d).

c. Federal Uniform Guidance. In general, the New York Naval Militia follows the uniform guidance of the respective federal components per reference (f). Specific modifications for members are found in Appendices A-E.

d. Minimum Uniform Requirements. Uniform parts are procured at the member's own expense. The minimum uniform requirements for Naval Militia members are:

(1) One complete dress uniform of the authorized component (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard).

(2) One complete service uniform of the authorized component (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard).

(3) One complete working uniform of the authorized component (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard).

e. Distinguishing Devices. New York Naval Militia members serving in an official capacity of the New York Naval Militia shall wear a distinguishing NYNM device.

(1) On formal and dinner dress uniforms, a miniature metal NYNM badge shall be worn on the right lapel, or right breast of the uniform blouse or jacket. See figure 3.

(2) On service dress uniforms, a 2-inch metal NYNM badge shall be worn on the left breast pocket of the uniform shirt, blouse, or jacket. See figure 1.

(3) On working uniforms, a New York Naval Militia badge, patch and/or component nametape will complement or replace the federal identification as appropriate. Options are:

(a) Wear the 2-inch metal badge or 3-inch embroidered cloth badge on (or above for females) the left breast pocket of the uniform shirt, blouse, or jacket. See figures 1 and 2.

(b) Replace the federal component nametape (i.e. U.S. NAVY, U.S. MARINES, U.S. COAST GUARD) with the state nametape: N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA. Colors for such nametapes and thread shall conform to federal component guidance found in references (b) through (d). See figure 4.

(c) Members of the New York Naval Militia that are no longer in active or reserve federal status (including retirees, veterans, and non-drilling Reservists) must wear the N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA component tape in place of the U.S. component nametape above the left breast pocket. In other words, a NYNM member must be a drilling Reservist to wear the federal component nametape on the uniform while on duty with the NYNM. All others are to wear the N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA component tape.

(d) Members of the New York Naval Militia that are no longer in active or reserve federal status (including retirees, veterans, and non-drilling Reservists) must wear a New York Naval Militia cloth patch over the federal embroidered image on the pocket of the NWU Type I , or Coast Guard Operational Dress Uniform (ODU). See figure 2. The Marine Corps Combat Utility Uniform (MARPAT) may be modified with the enamel badge in the same manner. Navy component personnel wearing the NWU Type III uniform shall wear the cloth patch on the left sleeve, just below the shoulder.

(e) The Coast Guard command ball-cap is to be replaced with a "New York Naval Militia" command ball-cap for members that are no longer drilling Reservists. The "New York Naval Militia" command ball-cap is authorized for certain command-directed operational events for all personnel. See figure 5a.

(f) Members of the New York Naval Militia who may be authorized to wear the uniform of a different component, for special NYNM duty, must wear the N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA nametape.

(4) Alternative uniform parts. The following items are authorized as a replacement for federal component equivalents for dress, service, and working uniforms:

(a) New York Naval Militia coat buttons are authorized for wear in lieu of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard coat buttons. The color may be gold, silver, or black as appropriate.

f. Marine Militia Member Policies. The following additional policies apply to Marine Corps component and Fleet Marine Force (FMF) members of the New York Naval Militia:

(1) Insignia and badges earned while a member of the U.S. Marine Corps are authorized for wear on the Naval Militia uniform. Since the USMC authorizes pin-on devices rather than

sew-on devices, the wearing of pin-on devices by members of the USMC/FMF and by former members of the USMC/FMF is authorized.

(2) The wearing of the Eagle-Globe-Anchor (EGA) device on the Naval Militia uniform by members who have previously earned the EGA is authorized.

2. Insignias, Awards, and Unit Identification.

a. Service devices, badges, insignia and awards that were not earned in accordance with service standards are not authorized for wear. Members may wear devices previously authorized to the individual for wear by federal military service. The wearing of service devices such as the Command at Sea, Command Ashore, Small Craft Insignia, Craft-master Insignia, and Coast Guard Coxswain Badge are not authorized for wear unless they were earned while the member was on duty with that service that has cognizance over them.

b. Naval Militia authorized qualifications include:

(1) MEBS Craftmaster. Worn on service and working uniforms above the left breast pocket of the shirt or blouse. See figure 6a.

c. Naval Militia units with authorized badges or patches, may wear these distinctive emblems on the shirt or blouse pocket. Badges are authorized in writing to individual units by Commander, NYNM and may replace the NYNM badge.

3. Guidance for Retired Members. The New York Naval Militia recognizes that those members who have been placed on the State Retired List are deservingly proud of their service. In keeping with federal service policy, the following guidance is set forth:

a. Members placed on the State Retired List may wear their service or dress New York Naval Militia uniform at appropriate ceremonial and social functions where the wearing of the uniform is an accepted and practical matter. Wearing the Naval Militia working uniform, and/or representing the organization in an official capacity is not appropriate for retired members.

Appendix A: Navy Component

A. Members of the Naval Militia affiliated under the Navy component shall follow the guidance of reference (b). Navy component militia members that are not active drilling (SELRES/VTU) Reservists of the United States Navy Reserve have uniform modifications per Paragraph C.

B. Working Uniform: Navy Working Uniform (NWU) Types I and III. Effective 1 October 2019, the NWU Type I uniform will not be authorized.



NWU Type I



NWU Type III

C. Navy Militia Member (Non-Drilling) Uniform Modifications. For Navy component Militia Members who are not drilling (SELRES/VTU) Reservists the following modifications are made to the basic Navy uniform:

(1) For Navy working uniforms:

(a) Replace U.S. NAVY nametape with N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA of appropriate matching digital color (Type I, or III). See figure 4b or c.

(b) NWU Type I: On left pocket, permanently sew on a NY Naval Militia full-color patch to cover up the USN insignia. See figure 2.

(c) NWU Type III: On right below the shoulder, place the New York State flag. On left sleeve, below the shoulder, place the NYNM command patch. See figure 2.

(d) Black or tan boots are authorized for the NWU Type III uniform.

(2) The SEABEE insignia is authorized for wear on the right breast pocket of the NWU Type I and III uniform in accordance with reference (b).

Appendix B: Marine Corps Component

A. Members of the Naval Militia affiliated under the Marine Corps component and who are Selected Marine Corps Reservists (SMCR) shall follow the guidance of reference (c). Marine Militia members (including FMF) that are not active drilling Reservists of the Selected Marine Corps Reserve are authorized the same uniform as the SMCR, with modifications found in paragraph C.

B. Marine Working Uniforms (MARPAT):

(1) Combat Utility Uniform (CUU) Woodland.



(2) Combat Utility Uniform (CUU) Desert.



C. Marine Militia Member (Non-Drilling) Uniform Modifications. For Marine Militia Members who are not members of the Selected Marine Corps Reserve (SMCR) the following modifications are made to the basic Alpha and Charlie Marine Corps uniforms in order to make them distinctively different from serving Marines (both Regular and Reserve). Modified Alpha Uniforms with Medals may be worn for Formal or Dress occasions.

(1) Shirts (Service A and Service C) will be adorned with supplemental New York State insignia:

(a) A standard New York Naval Militia Badge (multi-color enamel, 2-inch), which is worn centered below the flap on the left breast pocket. See figure 1.

(2) Utility Uniforms. Marine Militia members (Non-Drilling) are authorized to wear the digital pattern utility uniform. :

(a) A standard New York Naval Militia patch (embroidered, 3-inch), or the enamel 2-inch badge will be centered on the left breast pocket. See figure 2.

(b) Replace U.S. MARINES component tape with N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA of appropriate matching digital color. See figure 4c.

(c) Rank insignia shall be in subdued style, pin on collar devices.

Appendix C: Coast Guard Component

A. Members of the Naval Militia affiliated under the Coast Guard component shall follow the guidance of reference (d). Coast Guard component Militia Members that are not active drilling (SELRES/VTU) Reservists of the United States Coast Guard Reserve have uniform modifications per Paragraph B.

B. Working Uniform: Operational Dress Uniform (ODU).



C. Coast Guard Militia Member (Non-Drilling) Uniform Modifications. For Coast Guard component militia members who are not drilling (SELRES/VTU) Reservists the following modifications are made to the basic Coast Guard uniform:

(1) For Coast Guard Operational Dress Uniforms (ODU):

(a) Wear the standard command ball cap with command title embroidered on the brow. See figure 6a.

(b) Replace U.S. COAST GUARD nametape with N.Y. NAVAL MILITIA. See figure 4a.

(c) On right pocket place NY Naval Militia full-color command patch. See figure 2.

Appendix D: Figures

1. 2-inch metal badge



2. 3-inch cloth patch



NYNM Full-color



NYS Flag

3. 7/8-inch miniature pin



4. Component Tape Examples:

a. Coast Guard ODU style



b. Navy Working Uniform (NWU) Type I.



c. Navy Working Uniform (NWU) Type III or Marine CUU



5. Headgear Examples:

a. Command Ball Cap



6. Qualification Insignia:

a. MEBS Craftmaster



Appendix E: Authorized T-shirt for Working Uniforms

1. The following style of t-shirt is an authorized alternative for personnel in working uniforms of all components. T-shirt may be either short or long-sleeved.
2. The t-shirt will be black with yellow ink.
3. On the left breast will be the following logo (Note: Naval Militia units with authorized logos, may use those distinctive emblems in lieu of the below logo):



4. On the t-shirt back will be the following logo:



5. An example of the t-shirt:

