

SEA CADET SEA TRAINING UNIFORM INTERIM DRESS GUIDANCE FOR CORPS ONLY – FALL 2011

1. The Sea Cadet Sea Training Uniform (STU) is intended to be a training dress that augments the Sea Cadet dress options and is not intended to replace the existing Sea Cadet uniform for use at Corps ceremonial activities/events or for public engagements. It will allow Cadets to become engaged in hands on activities without the concern of having to maintain a dress uniform at the same time as engaging in active training. It also provides Corps Commanding Officers a means to balance ceremonial and active training dress requirements so they have a better option than civilian clothing to provide a visible uniform presence.

Occasions to Wear the Existing Uniform and STU

2. To assist in establishing some interim Sea Cadet Dress parameters the (examples in the parenthesis are an illustration of occasions and not an exhaustive list):

- a. STU may be authorized, to include wearing to and from location, by the Corps CO on:
 - 1) local weekly parade/training nights in support of the Phase training and optional programs (PT clothing may also be a more practical option for sports related activities);
 - 2) authorized weekend training (i.e. for range, on-water activities where no alternative sailing clothing is provided, leadership development);
 - 3) public/civic activities where a working dress vice civilian clothing is more practical (i.e. community clean up activities, car wash, etc.)
 - 4) other occasions when a working dress uniform is more practical than a dress uniform (i.e. non-training night or optional activities, tours where it would be better than wearing a dress uniform or civilian clothing); and
 - 5) local, regional or national events where designated as a dress option by the Detachment, Regional or National HQ staff (i.e. competitions, deployments, etc.).
- b. Existing Sea Cadet dress uniform (tunic, gunshirt and seaman's cap) is an integral part of our ongoing identity and it is expected that when:
 - 1) Corps hold their monthly or periodic CO Parade/Ceremonial Divisions that this uniform be worn (i.e. Annual Review, visiting dignitaries where a formal parade is involved);

- 2) engaged in public/civic parades or events (i.e. fund raising, Remembrance Day, celebratory/holiday parades, visits to Veterans Home's or cemeteries, invited to formal events by civic, provincial or federal organizations); and
 - 3) going out to promote the Sea Cadet program and instill a sense of community pride (i.e. school promotions, fundraising, and public speaking).
3. In all cases in the designating of an event/activity dress, Corps CO's must exercise good judgement to ensure that the Cadets are representing the Organization in a positive light. If in doubt, contact your local Detachment or Regional HQ staff to assist you.

Main Components of the Sea Training Uniform

4. Sea Cadet Sea Training Uniform – **BALL CAP**. Issued ball cap is worn in STU order of dress or when authorized to wear Naval Combat Dress (NCD).
 - a. may be worn plain with no alteration; or
 - b. may be altered (no cost to the Crown) to include the corps name and number IAW the following policy:
 - 1) lettering is to be 1.2 cm (1/2 in.) gold embroidery, displaying the RCSCC and corps name (i.e. RCSCC BRILLIANT), and corps numerical designator (i.e. 104) on the front panel in capital block lettering;
 - 2) no other lettering or graphics are permitted; and
 - 3) shall be worn square on the head with the sweatband 2.5 cm (1 in.) above the eyebrows. The brim of the cap shall not have excessive or exaggerated curve to it and is not to be folded or creased down the centre. Ball caps that are faded, grey or stained are to be replaced.



5. Sea Cadet Sea Training Uniform – **SHIRTS**
 - a. are postman blue in colour;
 - b. shall be worn with appropriate cadet rank slip-on on both shoulders (a single brassard with the corps appointment badge may also be worn if the corps practice) and no other insignia or badges;

- c. may be worn with either a Name Tag or Name Tape (no cost to the Crown) if purchased by units/individuals and meet the following guidelines:
 - 1) Name Tape: black cloth tape of 2.5 cm (1 in.) high with 1.0 cm (3/8 in.) high embroidered white capital block letters indicating the surname of the member only; or
 - 2) Name Tag: laminated plastic plate of 6.3 cm (2-1/2 in.) in length and 1.2 cm (1/2 in.) in height, inscribed with white capital block lettering 0.6 cm (1/4 in.) high indicating the surname of the member only; and
 - 3) in both instances to be worn or sewn on the shirt in a similar placement as the tunic.
 - d. shall normally be worn with sleeves rolled up (rolled up sleeves shall end at a point 2.5 cm above the elbow when arm is fully extended) or may be worn with sleeve rolled down (based on the activity or weather);
 - e. can be washed and dried; and
 - f. shall be pressed to have a crease down the center of each sleeve.
6. Sea Cadet Sea Training Uniform – **TROUSERS**
- a. shall be worn with the black belt;
 - b. can be washed and dried; and
 - c. shall be pressed to have a crease down the centre of each leg.

Wearing the Sea Training Uniform

7. Sea Cadet Sea Training Uniform Order of Dress – **COMPLETE**
- a. Issued ball cap (wide brimmed tan summer hat is for CSTC course cadet wear only);
 - b. Postman blue shirt (with or without name tape/tag);
 - c. Issued black (or grey until phased out of the supply system) undershirt is to be worn;
 - d. Rolled up sleeves (normally) or rolled down sleeves if authorized (based on the activity or weather);



- e. Rank slip-on worn on both shoulders of the shirt (a single brassard with the corps appointment badge may also be worn if the corps practice);
- f. Trousers and belt;
- g. Socks (appropriate to footwear);
- h. Cadet boots (alternative footwear may be authorized based on the activity); and
- i. All season coat and its components may be worn together and/or separately IAW environmental conditions.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- Seaman's Cap (White top) **shall not** be worn in this order of dress.
- Webbing **shall not** be worn in this order of dress.
- Boatswains Call/Gunners whistle **is worn** in this order of dress (for those authorized).
- Sea Cadet rank slip-ons **shall be** worn in this order of dress.
- This interim guidance is intended for the introduction and **wear of the STU at the Corps level ONLY**. Amendments to the wearing of the STU at CSTC will be promulgated in the updated Dress Instructions (CATO 35-01).