



ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

ENCLOSURE ONE (1)

UNIFORM CODE - MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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I. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MEDALS AND RIBBONS

Marine Corps League medals may be worn on any Marine Corps League Uniform except Casual, starting with the most distinguished medal/ribbon first and others following in sequence. See Enclosure (4) National Award Section for further details. Under no conditions are Marine Corps Service medals/ribbons to be worn with Marine Corps League medals/ribbons. It must be one or the other. Department of Defense authorized medals, ribbons, or devices, or Marine Corps League ribbons are to be worn above left shirt pocket.

II. MOUNTING OF LARGE MEDALS

A. Large medals may be worn on the Mess Jacket, not the Red Blazer. When more than one (1) medal is worn, they shall be suspended from a holding bar of metal or other material of sufficient stiffness to support the weight of the medals.

B. Seven is the maximum number of medals worn on one (1) row.

C. When more than seven medals are worn, additional rows shall be used in accordance with the table below:

One or two medals, 1 row side by side on a 2 ribbon bar
One to three medals, 1 row side by side on a 3 ribbon bar
One to four medals, 1 row side by side on a 4 ribbon bar
One to five medals, 1 row overlapping on a 4 ribbon bar
One to six medals, 1 row overlapping on a 4 ribbon bar
One to seven medals, 1 row overlapping on a 4 ribbon bar
Eight medals, 2 rows on two (2) - 4 ribbon bar (4 up & 4 down)
Nine medals, 2 rows on two (2) - 4 ribbon bar (4 up & 5 down)
Ten medals, 2 rows on two (2) - 4 ribbon bar (5 up & 5 down)
Eleven medals, 2 rows on two (2) - 4 ribbon bar (5 up & 6 down)

Overlapping shall be uniform, not to exceed 50% and the right or inboard medal shall be shown in full. When more than one (1) of the same medal has been awarded - stars shall be worn for additional awards. See Enclosure One (1), National Award Section

III. WEARING OF MINIATURE MEDALS (Formal Dress Only)

A. Miniature medals may be worn on the left lapel of the Red Blazer with the medals placed evenly between the left lapel notch and the top edge of the breast pocket and one (1) inch out from edge of inside of left lapel. In those instances where regulation size holding bar/bars cannot be accommodated on the lapel, medals may be extended beyond the edge of the lapel to the left breast of the Red Blazer.

B. Additional holding bars on the Red Blazer shall be placed under the top row in such a manner that the medallions of the upper row are in line immediately above the medallions of the succeeding row, unless medal count is uneven.

NOTE: This applies only if wearing the Blazer. When wearing the Marine Corps League Mess Jacket, miniatures will be worn as you would the large medals.

IV. MOUNTING OF MINIATURE MEDALS

A. When more than one (1) medal is worn, they should be suspended from a holding bar of metal or other material of sufficient stiffness to support the weight of the medals.

B. When eleven (11) medals are worn, there will be five (5) medals on the first row, and six (6) medals on the second row (medallions cannot be even top to bottom).

C. The maximum length of the holding bar for medals should be four (4) inches, (3 ribbon Bar). A maximum of five (5) medals, side by side, can be accommodated on a holding bar of maximum length, however, a maximum of ten (10) medals can be accommodated on a holding Bar if overlapped. Overlapping shall be equal (not more than 50%) and the right or inboard medal shall be shown in full.

D. Mounting of medals by rows:

One to ten medals, 1 row only

One to eleven medals, 2 rows - first row (5), second row (6)

Two medals mounted side by side on a one(1) inch bar(1 ribbon bar)

Three medals mounted on a one (1) inch bar(1 ribbon bar)overlapped

Four medals Mounted on a two (2) inch bar (2 ribbon bar)overlapped

When more than one (1) of the same medal has been awarded, stars shall be worn for additional awards.

V. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE PATCHES

Marine Corps League patches will be worn on the left sleeve, one and one-half (1-1/2) inches below the shoulder seam. No Service or Unit patches are to be worn on the Marine Corps League Uniform. Devil Dog Patch will be worn on the right sleeve one and one-half (1-1/2) inches below the shoulder seam.

US flag 2"x 3 1/2" on right sleeve 1 1/2" below shoulder seam, **if not member of MODD**, and may be worn by Associate Members. The US Flag patch will have a white border, with the Field of Blue on the right side (to the wearer's front). The Field of Blue position was approved by the National Board of Trustees on 29 September, 1994 in Quantico, VA.

VI. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVERS

All members of the Marine Corps League are authorized the Red cover. Members elected to National office, or appointed to National Staff/Committees are authorized to wear Gold covers. The National Commandant will wear a White cover. Members elected to, or appointed on the Department (State) level are authorized to wear Red with Gold crown covers. The Past National Commandants are authorized to wear a Gold with White crown cover. Past Department Commandant, Past Detachment Commandant, Past Kennel Chief and Past National Director of Young Marines, with the years displayed for holding that office, are the only members who are authorized to wear their respective cover after their tour of duty is completed. All other personnel will revert back to what they were wearing before they were elected or appointed to office, removing past office identification strips. The only insignia authorized to be worn on Marine Corps League covers is the Marine Corps Emblem on left side. The Devil Dog patch will be worn up front on the right side of cover. The identification strips, i.e., Department or Detachment strip or embroidering will be centered on the right side. If the LIFE strip is worn, it will be to the rear of the right side. The LIFE MEMBER strip will be worn the same as the identification strips are worn. NO Division pins or other ornaments are authorized to be worn on Marine Corps League Covers.

VII. SPECIAL UNIFORM AUTHORIZATION

Members of the Marine Corps League are authorized to wear **ONLY** those uniforms that are outlined under "**UNIFORM - MALE**"; "**UNIFORM - FEMALE**"; "**ASSOCIATE MEMBER UNIFORM**"; and "**CEREMONIAL UNIFORM**". No variation(s) of the prescribed uniforms are authorized. If any Detachment/Department wishes to wear a uniform, other than that prescribed, a written request, accompanied by color photographs (front view, side view, and rear view of the uniform requested), must be sent to the National Commandant for approval. In case of inclement weather (rain, snow, sleet, or cold), the local detachment or department commandants may authorize appropriate outer wear to be worn over the Marine Corps League uniform.

VIII. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CREST

The Marine Corps League Crest may be of the metallic embroidered type which has clutch pins on the reverse and pins directly to the blazer pocket or it may be worn on a plastic pocket sleeve, either glued or pinned to the plastic sleeve. The style that is commercially sold, with the Marine Corps Seal permanently set onto the plastic sleeve may also be worn as optional wear.

UNIFORM - MALE

UNDRESS - (Long Sleeve)

Standard Cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog collar (optional), Name tag (optional)
Sunburst insignias
Marine Corps League shoulder patch (left sleeve) - Devil Dog patch (right sleeve) when authorized or US flag 2"x 3 1/2" **if not member of MODD** (see NOTE 2)
Marine Corps League ribbons OR Department of Defense authorized
Medals, ribbons or devices (NOT MIXED)
White shirt, military crease (to be Airline pilot style with two (2) pockets with button down flaps and epaulets)
Tie, Black, with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar
Trousers, Blue dress (with NCO "red" stripe) with Belt, Marine Corps Web with brass buckle
Trousers, Black (optional) with or without pleats -- no cuffs
Belt, black with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle or Belt, black, dress (optional)
Socks, black
Shoes, black, plain toe

UNDRESS - (Short Sleeve)

Standard Cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog collar (optional), Name tag (optional)
Sunburst insignias
Marine Corps League shoulder patch (left sleeve) -- Devil Dog patch (right sleeve) when authorized or US flag 2"x 3 1/2" **if not member of MODD** (see Para V)
Marine Corps League ribbons OR Department of Defense authorized
Medals, ribbons or devices (NOT MIXED)
White shirt open collar, military crease (to be Airline pilot style with two (2) pockets with button down flaps and epaulets)
Trousers, Blue dress (with NCO "red" stripe) with Belt, Marine Corps Web with brass buckle
Trousers, Black (optional) with or without pleats -- no cuffs
Belt, black with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle or belt, black, dress (optional)

Socks, black
Shoes, black, plain toe

CASUAL

Standard Cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog Collar (Optional)
Blazer, Red, two (2) Marine Corps League buttons on front and three (3) Marine Corps League buttons on cuffs (No ribbons/medals or sunburst insignias are to be worn with this uniform)
White shirt, plain collar (no button down collars or sunburst insignias on collar)
Black tie with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar
Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion seal
Trousers, black with or without pleats – no cuffs
Belt, black with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle or belt, black, dress (optional)
Socks, black
Shoes, black, plain toe
Lapel pin(s) - See Note 1 below

FORMAL DRESS

Standard Cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog collar or Chapel of Four Chaplains medal, choice of one (1) (optional)
Military bow tie - black
White shirt, formal (standard collar), pleated. (NO RUFFLED SHIRTS)
Gold cuff Links and gold studs
Marine Corps League Blazer Crest or Bullion Seal is optional with the Formal Dress when miniature medals are worn
Marine Corps League Red Mess Jacket, medium weight gabardine material with Marine Corps League buttons, gold waist chain and sunbursts in locating holes in jacket collar. (WHEN AVAILABLE)
Red Blazer optional to Red Mess Jacket.
Cummerbund, gold or Gold vest front (only approved design)
Trousers, black tux pants or trousers, black (optional) with or without pleats – no cuffs
Belt, black with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle or belt, black, dress (optional)
Socks, black
Shoes, black plain toe
Miniature medals as prescribed (large medals maybe worn on Red Mess Jacket)

NOTE 1: The following lapel pins may be worn, but NOT more than two (2) - your choice. The Past National Commandant Pin may be worn inboard with the National Marine of the Year outboard. Also National Marine of the Year may be worn inboard with a Past Department or Detachment Commandant Pin (one (1) only). Kennel Devil Dog of the Year Pin to be worn outboard of National Marine of the Year. The Chapel of Four Chaplains, Membership or Retired Marine lapel pins may also be worn, under same limitations.

UNIFORM - FEMALE

UNDRESS - (Long Sleeve or Short Sleeve)

Standard cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog Collar (optional)
White shirt, two (2) button down flap pockets with epaulets, military creases or white blouse, women's, USMC
Worn with the Dress Blues
Marine Corps League ribbons OR Department of Defense authorized medals, ribbons or devices (NOT MIXED)
Tie, black satin cross tie, or men's tie black w/tie bar (Long sleeve ONLY)
Sunburst insignias
Shoulder patch Marine Corps League (left sleeve) – Devil Dog patch (right sleeve) when authorized or US flag 2"x 3 1/2" **if not member of MODD** (see Para V)
Name tag (optional)
Trousers, Blue dress (with NCO "red" stripe) with Belt, Marine Corps Web with brass buckle (when in color guard)
Skirt, black plain "A" line or slacks, black with or without pleats – no cuffs
Belt, black with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle or belt, black, dress (optional)
Hose, nylon
Shoes, black, plain closed toe, pump, or Shoes, black, plain toe, Women's Oxford, or Shoes, black, plain toe, Manis Oxford for wear with slacks or trousers, only
Earrings, (optional) Small white pearl (or pearl like) or gold, not to exceed 9MM.
When worn, earrings will fit tight against the ear and will not extend below the earlobe.

CASUAL

Standard cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog collar or Chapel of Four Chaplains medal, choice of one (1) (optional)
Blazer, Red, two (2) Marine Corps League buttons on front and three (3) Marine Corps League buttons on cuffs No ribbons/medals or sunburst insignias are to be worn with this uniform)

Shirt, white long sleeve, plain collar (no button down collars or sunburst insignias on collar)
Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion seal
Skirt, black, plain "A" line or slacks, black (optional), with or without pleats – no cuffs
Belt, black with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle or belt, black, dress (optional)
Hose, nylon
Shoes, black, plain closed toe, pump
Lapel pin(s) - See Note 1 below
Tie, black, satin cross or men's tie black w/tie bar

FORMAL

Marine Corps League Red Mess Jacket, medium weight gabardine material with Marine Corps League buttons, gold waist chain and sunbursts in locating holes in jacket collar.

Red Blazer optional to Red Mess Jacket.

Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion Seal is optional with the Formal Dress when miniature medals are worn

Skirt, long, black, slit left side - no longer than mid-knee or lower than bottom of knee cap

Shirt (blouse), formal, white pleated w/tie black cross
or military-bow, black

Cummerbund, gold or Gold vest front (only approved design)

Shoes, black, plain closed toe, pump

Hose, Black

Gold cuff Links and gold studs

Earrings, (optional) small white pearl (or pearl-like) or gold, not to exceed 9MM.

When worn, earrings will fit tight against the ear and will not extend below the earlobe.

Miniature medals as prescribed or large medals may be worn on Red Mess Jacket

NOTE 1: The following lapel pins may be worn but NOT more than two (2) - your choice. The Past National Commandant Pin may be worn inboard with the National Marine of the Year outboard. Also National Marine of the Year may be worn inboard with a Past Department or Detachment Commandant Pin (one (1) only). Kennel Devil Dog of the Year Pin to be worn outboard of National Marine of the Year. The Chapel of Four Chaplains, Membership or Retired Marine lapel pins may also be worn, under same limitations.

NOTE: The medal and ribbon presented by the Chapel of Four Chaplains may be worn with the casual or formal uniform (male or female) in lieu of the Military Order of Devil Dog collar at the option of the awardee.

NOTE 2: The direction of the "BLUE" field on the US flag has been established. (see Para V)

ASSOCIATE MEMBER UNIFORM

The above recommendations for both male and female apply to all members with the following exceptions:

The Associate member is to wear 1/2" x 1/2" gold MCL insignia in lieu of Globe and Anchor on cover and on shirt in lieu of sunburst. The Marine Corps League Patch with an Associate Rocker, attached at the bottom, will be worn. It will be placed one and one half (1 ½) inches below the shoulder seam(See A below). No Blazer Crest/Bullion Seal will be worn unless one is designed and approved by a National Convention.

- A. Flag patch, on right shoulder, may be worn (see Para V).
- B. Dress Blue Trousers, with Red "NCO" Stripe will **NOT** be worn.

CEREMONIAL - UNIFORM

Those Departments and/or Detachments having "COLOR GUARDS" may wear the "CEREMONIAL UNIFORM", **ONLY** when participating in these ceremonies. This uniform is authorized for both Males and Females.

Standard Cover - with Devil Dog patch when authorized
Devil Dog collar (optional), Name Tag (optional)
Sunburst insignias
Marine Corps League shoulder patch (left sleeve) - Devil Dog patch (right sleeve)
when authorized or US flag 2"x3 1/2" **if not member of MODD (see Note 2)**

Marine Corps League Ribbons "ONLY" or "NO" ribbons at all.

SHIRT, KHAKI (tan), long sleeve with military creases

TIE, KHAKI, with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar

OR

SHIRT, KHAKI (tan), short sleeve with military creases

Trousers, Blue dress (with NCO "Red" stripe)

Belt, Marine Corps web with brass buckle

Socks, black

Shoes, black, plain toe