

1.1.C.5 Staff Dress and Grooming Standards

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II Policy:

Staff representing the Department of Corrections (DOC) shall maintain a professional appearance which promotes the professional image of the DOC, and limits distractions caused by outrageous, provocative or inappropriate dress in the workplace, or that presents a risk to safety or security. Staff will adhere to the established dress and grooming standards of the DOC while on duty. Staff working in the correctional environment will be cognizant of the potential dangers inherent to working in such environments and adhere to these standards to help protect themselves from workplace dangers.

III Definitions:

Business Casual Attire:

Less formal attire than attire worn on regular workdays, but appropriate for the job functions being performed. Also referred to as professional attire.

Business Professional Attire:

Attire considered appropriate in a conventional, conservative business setting.

Ear Gauging:

The process of stretching the ear.

Ear Plug:

For purposes of this policy, an ear plug is a round piece of jewelry worn in a stretched ear lobe.

Ear Taper:

A cone or spike shaped piece of jewelry that is used to stretch a piercing to a larger size.

Ear Tunnel:

A hollow piece of jewelry that is worn in a stretched ear lobe.

Non-Uniformed Institutional Staff:

Staff assigned to work at any Department of Corrections institution not issued a uniform by the DOC, who are required to provide their own clothing for work, including contract staff required to wear specific clothing items provided by the employer. Includes security staff assigned to specialty security positions within the institution authorized to wear business attire (casual or professional) while on duty.

Personal Body Alarm:

A small battery powered emergency notification or alert device that when activated, emits a loud sound (in excess of one hundred ten (110db) decibels. Activation occurs when the attached alarm pin is removed from the body of the alarm by pulling the lanyard. The alarm shall be carried in a pocket or attached to a belt or waistline of the pants.

Social Media:

Web-based technology that allows interactive dialogue and includes but is not limited to, print, broadcast, digital and online services, such as blogs, collaborative projects, content communities and social networking sites. Social media sites include but are not limited to Facebook, LinkedIn, MySpace, Twitter, Tumblr, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, Google and blogs, as well as video and photo-sharing sites such as Flickr and YouTube.

Staff Member:

For the purposes of this policy, a staff member is any person employed by the DOC, full or part time, including an individual under contract assigned to the DOC, an employee of another State agency assigned to the DOC, authorized volunteers and student interns.

Uniform:

Those items of attire required for service wear by the designated security staff. Items that are part of the approved uniform and required to be worn by staff but not provided by the Department of Corrections are the responsibility of the respective staff member. Approved, optional items that may be included within the uniform are generally the responsibility of the staff member.

Uniformed Staff:

Group of correctional security staff, including correctional officers, corporals, sergeants and other correctional officer supervisors through the rank of Major, who are provided with a standard issue of uniforms who are required to wear approved uniforms while on duty.

Well Groomed:

Hair, including facial hair, that is clean, neatly combed or brushed, trimmed and does not present a ragged or unkempt appearance.

IV Procedures:**1. Dress Standards:**

- A. It is the policy of the DOC to require all staff members to present a professional, businesslike image while on duty, and adhere to the dress and grooming standards that apply to their individual job position within the DOC. Each staff member's dress, grooming and personal hygiene will be appropriate to the work situation and their assigned job. Staff will maintain a professional, businesslike image while working with offenders that supports a favorable role model for offenders, and is consistent in projecting a positive public image that supports the mission, vision and values of the DOC.
 1. Visitors are not staff members. Appropriate dress standards for visitors participating in visits or tours is described in the Inmate Visiting policy (See DOC 1.5.D.1 [Inmate Visiting](#)).
- B. It is the responsibility of each staff member to know and follow the dress and grooming requirements that apply to their job position. Any staff member who is unsure about the required dress and grooming standards for his/her job position must consult their supervisor. Staff who

fail to comply with required dress and grooming requirements may be subject to disciplinary action.

1. Clothing and uniforms will be clean, neat, free of wrinkles, appropriately fitted, and maintained in good order and appearance.
 2. Clothing normally worn in a recreational or informal social setting is not considered business professional or business casual.
 3. Clothing that causes or may cause distractions in the workplace, is unprofessional, outrageous, or provocative, is inappropriate for the workplace. T-shirts, sleeveless tops (unless worn under a cardigan or jacket), backless tops, shorts, midriff shirts, low-cut tops, clothing that does not cover undergarments or sheer clothing without appropriate covering underneath, is inappropriate for the workplace.
 4. Staff working within a DOC institution will avoid wearing clothing that may be mistaken for inmate attire. Staff will wear attire that is recognizable and distinguishable from inmate dress.
 5. Language, logos, symbols, pictures, designs or embroidery on clothing or clothing accessories will be appropriate for a correctional environment. While not intended to be an inclusive list, clothing or accessories advertising or displaying alcohol, tobacco, illegal substances, derogatory religious themes, racial references, gang affiliation, profanity, nudity, gambling, is political in nature, or includes sexual implications, is not permitted.
- C. Staff will wear attire that is either business professional, business casual or issued by the DOC (uniform) while on duty, unless otherwise authorized.
- D. Exceptions to the dress standard may be approved for the following:
1. Assigned duties that require staff to wear casual attire or recreational type clothing (such as sweat shirts, t-shirts, sweat pants, tennis shoes) while on duty.
 2. When assigned to physical work/activity that requires easy movement, loose fitting or more durable clothing. Exceptions will generally be determined by the supervisor or trainer/instructor.
 3. Staff participation in "casual day/jeans day" or other authorized fund raiser, which permits staff to wear casual attire during work hours, as approved by the Secretary, Warden, Director or designee. Participation in casual day is voluntary. Staff who choose not to wear casual dress will report to duty in business professional, business casual attire or a DOC issued uniform.
 - a. Assigned duties and job responsibilities take priority over participation in casual/jeans day. Staff scheduled to attend court, public or professional meetings or performing duties requiring professional attire on casual/jeans day shall dress appropriately.
 - b. Jeans and casual attire will be neat, clean and in good repair. Jeans may not have large holes or tears which expose skin.
 4. During travel to or from conferences or training.
- E. Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. Closed toe shoes are required for certain job positions. All staff whose assigned to a work station that is within the secure perimeter of a DOC institution, shall wear closed toe footwear. Uniform staff shall wear footwear as described within this policy.

- F. Tattoos advocating or depicting any form of negative religious, racial, ethnic or gender bias, illicit drugs, drug paraphernalia or drug use or perceived as being affiliated with any security threat group, street gang or containing nudity, vulgar wording or determined to be offensive by a supervisor, must be concealed during work hours.
- G. Jewelry (rings, watches, necklaces, bracelets, tie tacks, pins, buttons, and earrings) may be worn; however, staff members may not wear jewelry/accessories that may constitute a safety hazard, disrupt the workplace, interfere with job performance or is deemed inappropriate by a supervisor.
1. Staff may wear stud-type earrings in the ear. Dangling, over-sized, or ear bars pose a safety hazard and are not allowed to be worn by staff assigned to work within an institution.
 2. Ear tunnels and tapers are not permitted. Solid ear plugs may be worn but may not be any larger than 2 centimeters.
 3. All necklaces must be worn inside the shirt/uniform. Exceptions may be considered for medical alert necklaces.
 4. Facial jewelry must be removed, unless it requires a professional removal procedure, then it must be covered while on duty and working with inmates.
 5. Smart watches or fitness trackers must have network communication (i.e. texting, phone calls, etc.) disabled while working within a secure perimeter.
 6. Staff are encourage not to wear high value jewelry of any kind while working with inmates. Jewelry that staff choose to wear while on duty may not be reimbursed should it become lost or damaged.
- H. All DOC staff will be issued a department photo identification card and/or badge upon employment with, or assignment to the DOC. Staff working in or entering a DOC institution are required to wear their ID or badge in a visible manner.
1. Community corrections staff (Parole and Division of Juvenile Services) are required to carry their DOC ID and/or badge on their person while on duty.
 2. DOC identification cards or badges may not to be used or presented to misrepresent official capacity or authority.
 3. Lost identification cards or badges must be immediately reported to a supervisor.
- I. Staff members assigned to specific areas of a DOC institution, i.e., food services, health services, prison industries or maintenance, may be required to adhere to specific dress standards necessary to maintain and adhere to additional health, safety or sanitation standards or requirements. At a minimum, DOC dress and grooming standards shall apply.
- J. Requests for accommodation by staff will be considered on a case-by-case basis. The DOC will make efforts to accommodate medical, religious or cultural customs, given the legitimate penological interests of the DOC and staff safety. Staff shall submit requests for accommodation involving dress or grooming standards to their direct supervisor.

2. Grooming Standards:

- A. Personal grooming and hygiene standards will be maintained by all staff while on duty. Regular bathing and use of deodorant is required.
- B. Hair will be clean, well groomed and maintained so as not to constitute a safety issue or health concern.
 - 1. Staff's hair will not be dyed in unnatural colors (blue, pink, green, purple, etc.).
 - 2. Staff will not wear hair in a "mohawk" or "spiked". Haircuts with visible symbols, letters or graphics shaved or braided into the hair are prohibited.
 - 3. Staff working with inmates must wear their hair up and off the top of the shoulders. If hair length touches or extends lower than the top of the shoulders, hair shall be worn up, such as rolled in a bun at the back or on top of the head. Ponytails or braided hair styles are permitted only if hair does not touch the upper shoulders. Hair in the front shall be groomed so it does not touch the eyebrows.
- C. Facial hair requirements for staff:
 - 1. Sideburns cannot extend below the bottom of the ear. Mustaches cannot extend below the corners of the mouth. Mustaches shall not extend over the lip or beyond the corners of the mouth. Handle-bar type mustaches are not permitted.
 - 2. Staff may have a beard. Beards must be kept trimmed and neat. Neck hair is not permitted.
 - 3. Facial hair shall not exceed ½ inch in length.

3. DOC Issued Personal Body Alarms, Radios and Oleoresin Capsicum (OC):

- A. All staff, volunteers, and tour participants entering the secure perimeter of the DOC institution, will be issued a personal body alarm.
- B. Personal body alarms will be distributed to those intending to enter the perimeter by control room staff. Those receiving a body alarm will be instructed on the use of the alarm. Body alarms must be returned to the issuing control room when exiting the institution/secure perimeter, unless the alarm has been permanently issued to the staff member.
 - 1. When escorting a tour group/visitors, the escorting staff member will be equipped with a DOC issued radio.
- C. Staff issued a radio is expected to be familiar with and follow proper DOC radio protocol. Staff will use and be familiar with the approved "10 signals" and radio emergency codes. Radios are only issued to staff who have been properly trained in use of a DOC radio.
- D. Staff assigned to supervise adult offenders may be required to carry Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray.
 - 1. The Warden or Director will determine the need and distribution of authorized OC containers to designated staff, based on the potential risk factors and contact with offenders.

2. All staff issued OC must be properly trained regarding the use and requirements that apply to OC prior to being permitted to carry OC while on duty.

4. Off-Duty Display of the Uniform:

- A. It is understood that uniform staff may wear a DOC issued uniform/clothing (identifiable by the DOC logo or lettering) in whole or part, when traveling to and from work.
- B. Uniforms or other DOC issued clothing may not be worn while engaged in any of the following:
 1. Any activity that would bring question, disgrace or discredit to the uniform or DOC, or reflect negatively on the DOC, corrections profession or otherwise degrade or detract from the professionalism, ethics and standards of conduct expected and required of DOC staff.
 2. Wearing the uniform or parts of the uniform during recreational or social activities, unless otherwise approved.
 3. Entering an area of any establishment that provides gambling equipment, such as a casino, with the intent of using such equipment. This includes but is not limited to video-lottery, slot machines, poker/black jack tables, etc.
 4. Entering any establishment that derives its major business from the sale of alcohol. This includes but is not limited to bars, taverns, nightclubs, liquor stores, pubs and sport bars.
 5. While consuming alcohol.
 6. Wearing the uniform while performing duties of other employment or for the purpose of misrepresentation.
 7. Entering or frequenting any establishment or site that derives its major business from the sale of pornographic or sexually-oriented materials, (books, magazines, sexual devices, videos); or where sexually-oriented entertainment or services are sold, observed, offered or engaged except in the necessary performance of assigned duties.
 8. Posting to social media or other public forum any photo, recording or image of a staff member, identifiable as a staff member of the DOC by their uniform, DOC issued clothing or visible symbols representing the DOC, which depicts conduct that adversely impacts the DOC, violates applicable DOC policies, is inconsistent with the mission, vision and values of the DOC, or compromises the staff member's ability to adequately perform their assigned duties, is not permitted.

5. Uniform Staff:

- A. The authorized uniform worn by uniform staff will consist of a coat and/or jacket, sweater, shirt, trousers, tie, belt and name tag, all issued by the DOC. For the first year of service (2080 hours), each uniform staff member must supply his/her own black shoes or boots. Incomplete uniforms are not allowed. Staff will not mix uniforms.
 1. Winter coats, jackets, sweaters and uniform shirts shall have the respective institution's patch sewn one inch (1") or one and one-half inches (1 ½") below the left shoulder seam.
 2. An approved American flag will be sewn on the right shoulder of winter coats, jackets and on uniform shirts. The United State Flag patch shall be sewn one inch (1") or one and one-half inches (1 ½") below the right shoulder seam.

3. Approved and authorized pins or insignias may be worn on jacket collars. SCO pins must be centered one half inch (1/2") above the right pocket of the shirt. Longevity pins must be centered on the left pocket cover of the shirt.
 - a. Hash marks (1- Hash mark for every three (3) years of service) will be worn on the left sleeve of the new style jackets. The hash mark will be centered on the sleeve directly below the DOC patch, four (4") inches up from the sleeve cuff.
 - b. Cloth badges will be centered above the left pocket so that the center point of the bottom of the star is one half (1/2") inch above the left pocket of the shirt.
 - 1) If the badge holes are not covered, adjust accordingly.
 - c. Uniform staff with the rank of Sergeant or above will wear an approved metal badge on their shirts and on their winter jackets.
 - d. All Corporals and above will wear their rank insignia on the lapel of the new style jackets. The insignia will be centered on the lapel one-half (1/2") inch up from the shoulder.
4. The sleeves on shirts are not allowed to be rolled up.
5. A tie or an approved "dickey" must be worn when conducting official business off the institution such as inmate transports, hospital duty, courtroom appearances, etc. Only "clip on" ties are authorized.
 - a. The Warden may require a tie be worn during VIP tours and inspections.
 - b. When a tie is not worn, only the top button of the shirt may be unbuttoned.
6. Only plain white T-shirts may be worn underneath the approved shirt.
7. Only black socks may be worn with low-cut shoes.
8. The approved belt must be worn at all times.
9. Issued baseball style caps with a stenciled DOC star may be worn.
10. When the weather and particular duty requires, an approved stocking cap, gloves, coveralls or bib-overalls may be worn.
11. Authorized uniform/belt accessories include:
 - a. Flashlight with a case
 - b. A black or brown pouch for disposable gloves
 - c. An appropriate tie clasp
 - d. Cuff case/cuffs
 - e. Key clip/holder
 - f. OC and holster

- g. CPR micro shield/pocket mask
- h. DOC issued badge/ID
- i. Body alarm
- j. Radio/holster
- k. Duty firearm and magazine(s) secured within the issued belt-type holster- authorized staff only
- l. Protective vest, when issued a DOC firearm
- m. Approved telephone case/telephone

12. Additional standards may be issued in writing by the Warden or designee.

- B. Uniform staff with the rank of Corporal or Sergeant will have the proper chevron indicating the rank on both sleeves of the winter coat, jacket and long-sleeved shirt(s). When wearing short sleeved shirts, officers with the rank of Corporal and Sergeant shall wear pins showing the chevrons of the officer's rank on the collar points.
- C. Uniform staff with the rank of Sergeant and above will wear white shirts as a part of their authorized duty uniform.
- D. Only regulation uniforms shall be worn. Uniforms shall be clean, in good condition and void of stains or patched areas. Uniforms shall fit properly, without excessive bagginess or tightness in the trousers or shirt.

6. Uniform Issue, Return and Exchange:

- A. Uniform staff will be issued an initial uniform supply consisting of (1) jacket with liner, (2) pair of trousers, (3) shirts, (2) name tags, (1) belt, (1) necktie or dickey, (1) ID card/badge, training manuals, (4) numbered chits, (1) radio, (1) radio case and charger, (1) handcuff with cuff case, (1) cuff key and key clip/holder, (1) CPR micro shield, and (1) raincoat. Staff authorized to carry OC will be issued (1) OC canister with a holster or will check this out from the control room.
- B. Staff failing to complete the 1040-hour probationary period will be required to turn in all issued items in serviceable condition. Staff will be charged the total cost of any item returned in unserviceable condition or lost.
- C. Staff completing the 1040-hour probationary period but failing to complete an additional 1040 hours of consecutive employment, will be required to turn in all issued items in appropriate condition. Staff will be required to pay ½ the cost of any item returned in unserviceable condition or lost.
- D. Upon completion of 2080 hours, each uniform staff will be issued (2) additional uniform shirts and (1) additional pair of uniform pants.
- E. Issued uniform items that are unserviceable, may be exchanged through the staff member assigned to oversee issuance of uniforms and equipment at the facility. The Uniform Officer is responsible for tracking all state property issued to staff.

- F. All issued clothing and equipment shall be turned into the appropriate supervisor upon termination/separation of employment. All uniforms and accessories issued by the DOC to staff, remain the property of the DOC and must be returned to the DOC when no longer in service. Uniforms and property shall not be sold, lent, borrowed or given to members of the public.

7. Uniform and Equipment Purchase:

- A. Uniforms may only be purchased through the staff member assigned to oversee issuance of uniforms.
1. Officers may purchase additional items of approved equipment at his/her own expense. The equipment must be of the same type (make and model) of the equipment issued. Staff should consult their supervisor with questions about what type of equipment or items are permitted.
 2. Issued uniform item(s) damaged in the line of duty may be replaced at no expense to the staff member by the DOC, with approval by the Deputy Warden or designee.
 3. Staff may be held responsible for replacement costs (all or part) for uniforms and equipment that is damaged, altered, destroyed or lost through acts of willful negligence or misconduct.

8. Uniformed Staff Footwear Allowance

- A. DOC provides each uniformed staff member with up to \$150.00 footwear allowance, every two years. This can be for one pair of boots or multiple pairs, as long as the dollar amount does not exceed what is set in policy. Footwear must provide safe, secure footing and offer protection against hazards (all weather with slip resistant soles). Footwear shall be plain toed, design free and solid black in color.
1. Staff members on special teams may receive up to \$150.00 every year for boot allowance.
 - a. Special teams include CERT and Honor Guard.
 2. Maintenance staff may also receive \$150.00 every two years.
- B. Allowance date is two years from last purchase date for uniformed staff and maintenance staff, unless an exception is made by the Deputy Warden (example – footwear damaged in the line of duty). For special teams, the allowance date is one year from the last purchase date.
- C. The DOC reserves the right to make a final determination regarding all footwear. Staff who purchase unacceptable footwear with a footwear allowance issued by the DOC may not be reimbursed.

9. Footwear Purchasing Protocol:

- A. Footwear must be purchased by staff while off-duty.
- B. Staff may purchase approved footwear from any vendor and submit reimbursement to the business office. The state will reimburse up to \$150.00 every two years for uniform staff and maintenance staff, and \$150.00 every year for staff on special teams.
1. Staff must obtain approval from the Uniform Officer prior to the boot purchase.

2. Documentation showing the purchased item and amount (receipt) must be submitted along with the necessary reimbursement form to the Uniform Officer.
3. The Uniform Officer will sign the reimbursement form and submit to the business office for payment.
4. The staff member is responsible for any amount of the purchase exceeding the limit set in policy.
 - a. Example: Boots cost \$200.00. The state will pay up to \$150.00. The staff member must pay the \$50.00 difference.
 - b. Example: Boots cost \$100.00. The state will pay \$100.00.

10. Uniform Staff Footwear Requirements:

- A. Footwear shall be black in color.
 1. Law enforcement or military style is preferred.
 - a. Cowboy style boots are allowed.
 - b. Walking shoes, athletic shoes are allowed, provided they can be properly shined with polish, (no-canvas).
 2. Shoe material must be polished regularly and in good repair/condition. Approved material includes:
 - a. Leather.
 - b. Vinyl.
 - c. Simulated leather.

11. Responsibility and Oversight:

- A. Supervisors shall be responsible for ensuring staff compliance with this policy. Intentional, willful violations by a staff member will be documented by the supervisor. Violation of dress and grooming standards may present a safety issue and is subject to immediate correction. Any staff member disputing the application of the standards contained within this policy may request resolution through his/her appropriate chain of command.
 1. Staff with questions or concerns about dress and grooming standards, shall contact their supervisor.
- B. Any staff member who does not meet the standards of this policy may be required to take corrective action before reporting for duty or before continuing their duties. This may include rectifying the issue on personal (not state time) and returning to duty when the issue is resolved.

V Related Directives:

DOC policy 1.1.A.1 [Mission, Vision and Values](#)

DOC policy 1.1.C.1 [Staff Code of Ethics](#)

DOC policy 1.5.D.1 [Inmate Visiting](#)

VI Revision Log:

Removed revision history 2002-2009.

November 2010: Revised formatting of Section I. Deleted definition of flip flops. Revised ss (D of On Duty Dress Standards) to reference closed toed shoes.

January 2012: Deleted Non-Public" and Replaced with "Public". Added A. "Wardens, the Superintendent of STAR, the Executive Director of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, and Director of Community Corrections may implement operational memorandums describing facility/department specific dress codes, mandatory equipment, and dress/grooming standards for DOC staff members." to Section 1 Renumbered remainder of Section 1. Added 3. and 4. in Section 1 B. Deleted "denim" in Section 1 B.1. Added "informal or casual" to Section 1 B. 3. Added a. and b. to Section 1 C. 4. Added "or is inappropriate or offensive" to Section 1 E. Deleted 2. "Female staff is only permitted to wear piercing jewelry in their ears" in Section 1 E. Deleted "as noted in this section" and Replaced with "in their ears" in Section 1 E. 2. Added "by the Warden, Superintendent, Director or his/her designee" to Section 1 F. Added Section 3 "Off Duty/Non-Job-Related Activities".

December 2012: Added "Employment" and "specific situations" to Section 1 C. 1. Added "Staff supervisors may make the final determination of what jewelry may be worn by a staff member during the performance of their assigned duties" in Section 1 F.

October 2013: Added language from institutional OM's into the policy. Numerous other revisions made to the policy. Changed title from "Employee Dress and Grooming Code" to "Staff Dress and Grooming Standards".

November 2014: Added "watches" and "tie tacks, pins, buttons" in Section 1 E. Added "graphics" to Section 2 B. 2. Added "Hair in the front shall be groomed so it does not touch the eyebrows" in Section 2 B. 3. Added "Mustaches shall not extend over the lip or beyond the corners of the mouth and shall be neatly trimmed" in Section 2 C. a. Added "Staff are authorized to carry DOC issued chemical agents within the designated holster upon demonstrating competency and completing the required DOC training" to Section 6 A.

November 2015: Added "staff trained in SCBA" in Section 2 C. Deleted "Non-Job-Related Activities" and Replaced with "Display of the Uniform" in title of Section 4. Revised numbering in Section 4 and Added 6. and 7. to Section 4 A. Added 3. to Section 7 A.

May 2016: Added "Staff assigned to an institution housing DOC offenders will wear attire that is recognizable and distinguishable from inmate attire" in Section 1 A. 3. Deleted "Superintendent" in Section 1 C. Added "and/or badges" in Section 1 F. Added 2. to Section 1 F. Deleted "supervisor" and Replaced with "The Secretary of Corrections, Warden, Director or designee" and Added "on a case-by-case basis" in Section 1 H. Added "Exceptions may be granted by the Warden for cultural or religious reasons, on a case-by-case basis. Staff may request an exception by contacting their supervisor or the Warden" in Section 2 B. 3. Added "may reflect negatively on the DOC" in Section 4 A. 1. Added "except in the necessary performance of assigned duties" in 4. and 5. in Section 4. A. Added "incomplete uniforms are not allowed. Staff will not mix uniforms" in Section 5. A. Added h.-k. to Section 5 A. 11. Added "on an individual case-by-case basis" in Section 5 A. 12.

November 2016: Reviewed with no changes.

July 2017: Added "It is the policy of the DOC that all staff members will present a professional, businesslike image while on the job. Each staff member's dress, grooming and personal hygiene will be appropriate to the work situation and create a favorable role model and public image" Deleted "Dress and grooming standards for staff members during the performance of assigned duties will be appropriate and reflect a professional appearance" and Replaced with "Certain employees may be required to meet special dress, grooming and hygiene standards, such as wearing uniforms or meeting certain safety-related grooming standards, depending on the nature of their job" in Section 1 A. Added "members of the Parole Board" and "those issued a DOC ID" to the definition of "Staff Member". Added B. and C. to Section 1. Revised 2 and 3 in Section 1 C. Added definition of "Uniform" and Uniformed Staff". Added "Staff who choose not to wear the approved casual dress will report to duty in business professional, business casual dress of their DOC issued uniform" in Section 1 E. 2. Added "This will be determined by the trainer/instructor" in Section 1 E. 1. Added 3. to Section 1 E. Added G. to Section 1. Added K. to Section 1. Added k. to Section 5 A. 11. Added

“Shoes/boots must provide safe, secure footing and offer protection against hazards” in Section 8 A.

Revised language in Section 11 and **Added** 1. to Section 11 A.

November 2017: **Added** F. to Section 4.

November 2018: **Added** “free of wrinkles” in Section 1 B. 1. **Added** “While not an inclusive list,” and

Added “gang affiliation” “nudity” and “political in nature” in Section 1 B. 5. **Added** “Jeans may not

have large holes or tears which expose skin” in Section 1 D. 3. b. **Added** “All staff working within a

DOC institution shall wear closed toe footwear” in Section 1 E. **Deleted** “a maximum of one pair” and

Added “by staff assigned to work within an institution who have contact with inmates” in section 1 G.

2. **Added** 3. and 4. to Section 1 G. **Added** “ear spacers” to Section 1 G. 5. **Added** 3. to Section 1 H.

Deleted C. “Facial hair can interfere with the proper operation of the Self-Contained Breathing

Apparatus (SCBA) masks. Uniform staff trained on SCBA and required to wear respiratory devices may

grow mustaches and/or sideburns only” in Section 2. **Added** 2. and 3. to Section 2 C. **Added** “Radios

may be issued to staff who have been properly trained in use of a DOC radio” in Section 3 C. **Added**

“All uniforms and accessories issued by the DOC to staff, remain the property of the DOC and must be

returned to the DOC when no longer in service” in Section 6 F. **Added** 2. to Section 9 B.

April 2019: **Added** within the secure perimeter in Section 1 E. and G. **Added** “gender” to Section 1 G. 1.

and 2. **Added** “gender” to Section 3 B. C. and C. 2.

December 2019: Minor language and structure changes.

December 2020: **Deleted** “elsewhere in DOC policy” and Replaced with “in the Inmate Visiting policy (See

DOC policy 1.5.D.1 *Inmate Visiting*)” in Section 1 A. 1. **Deleted** “tank tops with straps thinner than 3

inches” and “halter tops” and **Replaced** with “sleeveless tops (unless worn under a cardigan or jacket),

backless tops,” in Section 1 B. 3. **Deleted** “and raincoat” and **Replaced** with “and (1) raincoat” in Section 6

A. **Deleted** “\$60.00” and “annually” and **Replaced** with “\$150.00” and “every two years.” in Section 8 A.

Added “This can be for one pair of boots or multiple pairs, as long as the dollar amount does not exceed

what is set in policy.” in Section 8 A. **Deleted** “An additional \$60.00 footwear allowance may be made for

staff assigned to special teams” and Replaced with “Staff members on special teams may receive up to

\$150.00 every year for boot allowance.” in Section 8 A. 1. **Added** “a. Special teams include CERT and

Honor Guard.” and “2. Maintenance staff may also receive \$150.00 every two years.” in Section 8 A. 1.

Deleted “one” and **Replaced** with “two” in Section 8 B. **Added** “for uniformed staff and maintenance staff”

and “For special teams, the allowance date is one year from the last purchase date.” in Section 8 B.

Deleted “must return the footwear and purchase the appropriate footwear” and **Replaced** with “may not be

reimbursed” in Section 8 C. **Deleted** “Most vendors/retailer accept state vouchers. Staff making the

purchase is responsible for verifying vouchers are accepted by the vender/retailer prior to purchase. Some

facilities have designated locations/retailers where all footwear is purchased.” **Replaced** with “Staff may

purchase approved footwear from any vendor and submit reimbursement to the business office. The state

will reimburse up to \$150.00 every two years for uniform staff and maintenance staff, and \$150.00 every

year for staff on special teams.” in Section 9 B. **Added** “1. Staff must obtain approval from the Uniform

Officer prior to the boot purchased. 2. Documentation showing the purchased item and amount (receipt)

must be submitted along with the necessary reimbursement form to the Uniform Officer. 3. The Uniform

Officer will sign the reimbursement form and submit to the business office for payment.” in Section 9 B.

Deleted Section 9 C. “C. Purchase orders must be used within 30 days of the issued date. 1. Extensions

may be obtained through the staff member assigned to oversee issuance of uniforms.” **Deleted** Section 9

D. “D. Staff will return the signed copy of the purchase order and copy of the sales receipt to the uniform

staff person or the business office. 1. Vendor gets the white copy. 2. Purchaser gets the yellow copy. a.

Purchaser returns the yellow copy to the business office, with the invoice, after the shoes/boots are

received. b. Business office gets the pink copy.” **Moved** Section 9 D. 3. To Section 9 B. 4. **Deleted**

“amount provided on the voucher” and **Replaced** with “limit set in policy” in Section 9 B. 4. **Deleted**

“\$100.00”, “\$60.00” and “\$40.00” and **Replaced** with “\$200.00”, “\$150.00” and “\$50.00.” in Section 9 B. 4.

a. **Added** “b. Example: Boots cost \$100.00. The state will pay \$100.00.” in Section 9. B. 4. **Added** “DOC

policy 1.1.A.1 *Mission, Vision and Values*” and “DOC policy 1.1C.1 *Staff Code of Ethics*” to Related

Directives.

April 2021: **Added** definitions for Ear Gauging, Ear Plug, Ear Taper, and Ear Tunnel. **Deleted** “Plaxo”

and **Added** “Snapchat, TikTok” to the definition of Social Media. **Deleted** “The following standards apply

only to those staff working within the secure perimeter of a DOC institution:” from Section 1 G. **Deleted**

1 G 1 and renumbered subsequent numbers. **Deleted** "Female gender" to Section 1 G 1 (formerly item 2). **Added** a new #2 "Ear tunnels and tapers are not permitted. Solid ear plugs may be worn but may not be any larger than 2 centimeters." to Section 1 G. **Deleted** "No facial jewelry, such as rings, posts, studs, bars or other foreign material may be worn in the eyebrow, nose, lip, tongue or other exposed body part. Ear spacers are not permitted. Nose rings must be removed or covered while on duty." and **Replaced** with "Facial jewelry must be removed, unless it requires a professional removal procedure, then it must be covered while on duty and working with inmates." in Section 1 G 4. **Added** 5 and 6 to Section 1 G. **Deleted** "Uniform" from Section 2 B 1 and 2. **Deleted** "Male gender uniform staff hair cannot extend past the top collar of the shirt." and **Replaced** with "Staff working with inmates must wear their hair up and off the top of the shoulders. If hair length touches or extends lower than the top of the shoulders, hair shall be worn up, such as rolled in a bun at the back or on top of the head. Ponytails or braided hair styles are permitted only if hair does not touch the upper shoulders." to Section 2 B 3. **Deleted** "male gender uniform" from Section 2 C. **Deleted** "Male gender uniform" from Section 2 C 2. **Deleted** "1/4 inch" and **Replaced** with "1/2 inch" in Section 2 C 3.

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