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MSGID/GENADMIN/CNO WASHINGTON DC/N1/JUN// SUBJ/UNIFORM POLICY UPDATE SURFACE WARFARE OFFICER LEATHER JACKET// REF/A/MSG/CNO WASHINGTON DC/N1/091545ZJAN20// REF/B/DOC/OPNAV/20DEC19// REF/C/DOC/COMNAVPERSCOM/01JAN03// NARR/REF A IS NAVADMIN 004/20, OPNAVINST 10126.5, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE SURFACE WARFARE OFFICER LEATHER JACKET. REF B IS OPNAVINST 10126.5, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE SURFACE WARFARE OFFICER JACKET. REF C IS NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. NAVY UNIFORM REGULATIONS.// RMKS/1. This NAVADMIN announces the revised occasion and manner of wear of the Surface Warfare Officer (SWO) leather jacket previously announced in reference (a). The SWO leather jacket is designated as organizational clothing with the exclusive designation for SWO community members of the U.S. Navy. Reference (b) establishes inventory and management policies, wear eligibility criteria and issuing procedures for the SWO leather jacket.

2. Occasion for Wear

- a. Organizational Clothing. The SWO leather jacket is primarily worn at-sea as an authorized outer garment for all designated at-sea uniforms. Authorized wear during shipboard evolutions, damage control efforts and General Quarters will be in line with the unit commanding officer discretion.
- b. Optional Uniform Outer Garment. The SWO leather jacket is authorized for optional wear ashore with Service (Service Khaki and Summer White) and Service Dress Blue (SDB) uniforms only. When worn with SDBs, it may be worn in lieu of the SDB coat when commuting, in public places, attending working level meetings or briefings and within office environments. The SWO leather jacket will not be worn with SDBs while attending ceremonies, official events, on Capitol Hill or if expressly prohibited by appropriate authority.

3. Manner of Wear

- a. The SWO leather jacket will be worn squarely on the shoulders, zipped three-fourths of the way up, collar down and sleeves fully extended between wrist and the lower thumb knuckle. A nametag is required to denote the identity of the wearer. The unit commanding officer will determine manner of wear during General Quarters and all shipboard evolutions.
- b. Nametags will be attached to the jacket via hook and loop tape on the left side of the wearer. Unit commanders may authorize the wear of the standard leather nametag in line with reference (c) or a unit specific embroidered fabric nametag. Fabric nametags will be 2 inches by 4 inches in dimension with gold block lettering 1/4 inch high, embroidered on cloth, reflecting unit design and colors.

Outer borders/edges may be embroidered or embossed in gold color. Fabric nametags will also include first name, middle initial, and last name, first name and last name or initials and last name and duty status (USN).

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Billet title (CO, XO, CHENG, OPS, etc.) and rank/grade are optional. Centered in the top field will be the primary gold warfare breast insignia.

- c. SWOs assigned to Joint Commands, other Service Commands or Independent Special Assignments will wear the black leather nametag unless authorized to wear a unit specific fabric nametag of the command assigned.
- 4. Address questions regarding this NAVADMIN, SWO leather jacket program management, issuance and distribution to CAPT Pamela S. Theorgood, Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics and Ordnance, via e-mail to pamela.s.theorgood(at)navy.mil or to Mr. Todd Nelms, SWO leather jacket
- 5. Retain this NAVADMIN until policy changes are incorporated in reference (c), superseded or canceled, whichever occurs first.
- 6. Released by Vice Admiral John B. Nowell, Jr, N1.// BT #0001

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