

VDFR 600-10 Appendix Q

Uniforms and Insignia Wear and Appearance in the VDF

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1. Purpose and Administrative.

a. Purpose. This **VDF Regulation (VDFR) 600-10, Appendix (APDX) Q** prescribes the classification and authorization for uniforms in the Virginia Defense Force (VDF). It also prescribes the wear of uniforms, insignias and accouterments authorized for VDF uniforms. This regulation is not intended to be all inclusive and should be viewed as a supplement to Army Regulation (AR) 670-1, "Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia," and Department of the Army (DA) Pamphlet (PAM) 670-1, "Guide to the Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia."

b. Replacement. This regulation cancels and replaces VDFR 670-1 with Changes 1 & 2, "Wear and Appearance of Virginia Defense Force Uniforms and Insignia," dated 1 February 2016.

c. Proponents. The joint proponents for regulation are (1) the Assistant Chief of Staff, Personnel Management and Administration (G1); (2) the Command Chief Warrant Officer (CCWO); and the Force Command Sergeant Major (FORCSM). The proponents have the authority to recommend to the Commanding General (CG) exceptions to this regulation, so long as the exceptions are consistent with controlling law and good order.

2. Responsibilities.

a. Advisory Council. An Advisory Council consisting of the Deputy Commanding Officer (DCO), CCWO, FORCSM, Chief of Staff (COS), and Major Subordinate Commanders (MSC Cdrs) will meet at times designated by the CG or DCO to discuss uniform changes and provide the CG their recommendation(s).

b. Assistant Chief of Staff for Personnel Management and Administration. The G1 will ensure this regulation is promulgated to all members, and supplemented as directed.

c. Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics (G4). The G4 will ensure stocks of uniform items specified in this regulation are maintained for the known eligible Force strength, plus 50 percent of that number.

d. Senior Non-Commissioned Officers (NCOs). NCOs are the backbone of the VDF, including maintaining high-quality personnel appearance among those VDF members under their care, so as to present the public, Federal armed forces, and DMA observers, with the most positive possible VDF image. Senior NCOs are especially responsible to the CG and all commanders to oversee uniform and general appearance standards.

3. Regulatory Background and Policy.

a. VDF is a Constitutional Militia Organization. Title 44 of the Code of Virginia (COV amended), Section 44-1, states "The militia shall be divided into three classes, the National Guard, which includes the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard, the Virginia State Defense Force, and the unorganized militia."

b. VDF is a Congressionally and State Authorized State Defense Force. United States Code Title 32, Chapter 1, Section 109 authorizes states to maintain a defense force in addition to its National Guard. Per the COV Title 44, the VDF is Virginia's State Defense Force (SDF).

c. VDF Will Wear Army Uniforms as Specified by Properly-Constituted Authority. AR 670-1 prescribes the Department of the Army (DA) policies and procedures for wearing Army Uniforms and insignia. AR 670-1 Paragraph 2-7k states: "State defense forces (SDF) may adopt the Army service and [Class C/utility] uniforms, provided all service uniform buttons, cap devices, and other insignia differ significantly from that prescribed for wear by members of the U.S. Army. State insignia will not include "United States, ""U.S., ""U.S. Army," or the Great Seal of the United States. Personnel of the SDF may wear a State-designed SDF distinguishing badge or insignia centered on the [service uniform] pocket flap. The red nametape or nameplate will include the full title of the SDF (for example, "Texas State Guard"). The [Class C] utility uniforms will contain a State SDF tape in lieu of "U.S. Army" over the left breast pocket. States wishing to adopt the Army service and utility uniforms will register with the Chief, National Guard Bureau [NGB]."

d. The Adjutant General (TAG) is the Properly-Constituted Authorizing Official for VDF Uniforms. The Department of Military Affairs' (DMA) TAG is the deciding official for authorizing VDF uniforms based on his representing the NGB as the senior NG Commander in the state, under whom the VDF serves by law. The CG advises the TAG and decides details of how each uniform will be worn to best follow Army regulations, while maintaining a distinctive VDF flavor. An Advisory Council will advise the CG as described above.

e. VDF Members will Maintain High-Quality Personal and Uniform Appearance, with the Following Particulars.

(1) Members will only wear uniforms authorized by the TAG, with distinctive items as specified by the CG.

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(2) VDF personnel will follow wear, appearance, and grooming standards promulgated in (a) AR-670-1 and DA PAM 670-1; (b) this regulation; and (c) other VDF regulations addressing such matters (specifically, “professional appearance” including being within the height-to-weight ratio described in **VDFR 600-10, APDX B**, Enclosure (4) Tables, unless the member has a medical exemption, approved by the VDF Force Surgeon or designee).

(3) Minimally VDF personnel will wear only clean and serviceable uniforms (not torn, patched, stitched, mismatched shades, or faded). Class C uniforms should be pressed without starch and, and caps formed with light starch or equivalent.

(4) All insignia, badges, and tabs on Class C uniforms will be subdued in accordance with Army policy, except for the Virginia (VA) flag patch. All awarded ribbons, badges, tabs, and devices worn on any other authorized VDF uniform per below will be authorized per **VDFR 600-10 APDX E**, “Awards, Service Ribbons, and Skills Devices for VDF,” and be worn IAW AR 670-1.

4. Authorized VDF Uniforms.

a. The Army Combat Uniform (ACU)/Class C. The VDF ACU uniform is worn in the woodland pattern. Specifics of ACU/Class C wear and appearance are in Enclosure (1) to this APDX. The ACU/Class C is the only mandatory VDF uniform. Mandatory uniform items and equipment, and associated optional equipment like load-carrying equipment (LCE), are also discussed in Enclosure (1). Further consult Enclosure (1) and AR 670-1/DA PAM 670-1 for details as to wear and VDF distinctions.

b. Army Blue Service Uniform (ABSU)/Class A/B. The ABSU is an optional uniform for VDF members, and may be worn for regular duty commitments and formal occasions.

(1) The ABSU includes a midnight blue coat worn with lighter blue trousers for male soldiers and a midnight blue coat worn with either lighter blue slacks or midnight blue skirt for female soldiers. The trousers/slacks for non-commissioned and commissioned officers include a stripe of gold braid on the outer side of the leg. Generals wear midnight blue trousers/slacks with gold braid instead of the lighter blue used in lower ranks. The blue service uniform is worn with a white shirt, a black four-in-hand necktie for males, or black neck tab for females, and black leather shoes.

(2) Consult Enclosure (2) to this APDX and AR 670-1/DA PAM 670-1 for details as to wear and VDF distinctions.

c. Army Blue/White Mess Uniform. The Mess Dress is an optional uniform for VDF members, and may be worn only for formal occasions. Mess dress is the military term for the formal evening dress worn in the mess or at other formal occasions. This is generally worn as the military equivalent of white tie or black tie. The Army has two versions, a blue winter version and a white summer version, each worn with different accessories depending on the formality of the occasion. Consult AR 670-1/DA PAM 670-1 for details as to wear. Consult with the G1 as to VDF distinctions.

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d. Special Duty Uniforms. The Army has various special duty uniforms, such as mechanics, mess persons, color guard, etc. No Special Duty Uniform is currently authorized for VDF wear.

e. Other Service Retiree Uniforms. Any VDF member whose DD-214 or NGB Form 22 shows s/he retired from a Federal armed service, or comparable evidence of retirement from another SDF, may wear that services'/SDF uniform with their retired rank to ceremonial and formal occasions when the VDF member is representing only him or herself, and not the VDF.

5. Uniform Item Sources. Per Enclosure (1), VDF supplies members, E-1 to E-6, certain required uniform items. VDF members, E-7 and above, must purchase their own uniforms, insignia, and devices found in the Enclosure (1) required uniform items list, except as indicated by double asterisks. Enclosure (3) contains a non-exhaustive list of known uniform items providers. It is provided to assist members buying their own uniform items, but is not an endorsement or directed source.

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Enclosure (1) Wear and Appearance of VDF Army Combat Uniform (ACU)/Class C Uniform

1. The VDF ACU/Class C uniform is the only uniform members are required to have. Officers and enlisted members above Staff Sergeant (E-6) will purchase their own ACU/Class C uniforms, insignia, and accoutrements – unless otherwise stated below. Enlisted personnel Private (E-1) to Staff Sergeant (E-6) will be issued required uniform items during VDF new entrant training, or replacement items from VDF stocks (if available). Officer and enlisted required clothing and equipment items, and optional items follow (references are to DA Pam 670-1 which apply except as specified below):

REQUIRED UNIFORM ITEMS AND QUANTITIES **Asterisk and italics denote items which G4 will issue during Recruit Sustainment Program to new entrants (E-1 to E-6) per above paragraph.*

a. Coat/Shirt ACU Woodland Pattern (2) (see para 4–8). *

(1) *Member Name tapes (member purchase), & VIRGINIA tape** (2) Velcro VIRGINIA nametapes, (1) non-Velcro VIRGINIA nametape VA tape issued to all new entrants)*

(2) Rank insignia

(3) *State flag patch ** (2) Velcro Virginia flags, (1) non-Velcro Virginia flag, (issued to all new entrants).*

(4) *VDF subdued shoulder patch (SSI) ** (2) Velcro SSI, and (1) non-Velcro SSI issued to all new entrants).*

(5) *Distinctive Unit Insignia (DUI) ** (issued to those with the ASU, and two for enlisted wearing beret with ASU)*

b. Trousers ACU Woodland Pattern (2) (see para 4–9). *

c. Undershirt, brown or tan 499 (2) (see para 20–32e).

d. Undergarments (see para 20–32).

e. Belt, rigger, tan 499 (1) (black permitted per above) (see para 20–3a).

f. Socks, tan, green, or black; cushion sole (see para 20–28a).

g. Boots, combat, coyote, leather, tan 499 or brown 498 (1) (see para 20–5a).

h. Patrol Cap/Hat (1) (see para 4–10).

i. Coat. Authorized coats include: (1) *Field Jacket, M-65, Woodland Pattern**; (2) Coat, Extended Cold Weather Clothing System (ECWCS Gortex) Woodland Pattern; (3) Polar Fleece

Coat, coyote brown or black; (4) Coat, Black, All Weather (Male and Female); and (5) Windbreaker, Black.

j. Gloves, black, plain (1)

k. Poncho, Woodland Camo or OD (1) *

OPTIONAL ITEMS

l. Marching pack or duffle bag (Woodland Camo or OD).

m. Personal hydration systems (see para 4–7j).

n. Scarf, utility, OG 208 (see paras 4–7e and 20–25d)

o. Load-Carrying Equipment (LCE). *New entrants E-1 to E-6 are issued OD individual equipment belt; straps, should frame; two canteens and cases; and back-waist pack.* Members may also buy at their expense other LCE (that is, field gear) in Woodland Camo or OD pattern for uniformity whenever possible.

2. Wearing the ACU/Class C Basic Uniform.

a. Coat/shirt and Trousers, T-shirt, and Belt. The ACU/Class C coat/shirt and trousers (TruSpec style) must be serviceable, meaning VDF personnel will wear only clean and serviceable (not torn, patched, stitched, mismatched shades, or significantly faded, or mismatched as to slight fading and not fading) items. Uniforms should be pressed without starch and with a brown 498 or tan 499 T-shirt. The tan 499 or desert tan rigger's belt is authorized, as is the black colored webbed fabric belt with black tip and black open face buckle.

b. Boots. The ACU/Class C will be worn with Army Combat Boots, Coyote (tan 499 or brown 498). Socks are to be green, brown or black. Commercial versions of this boot that are AR 670-1 compliant are authorized, to include the following regulations: be at least eight (8) inches high; be made of rough side out cattle hide leather (coyote colored) with a plain toe and rubber outsoles matching the boot; and be without zippers, metal cleats, or side tabs.

c. Headgear.

(1) Patrol Cap. The standard ACU/Class C headgear is the patrol cap (Woodland Pattern) with subdued rank insignia for officers and enlisted personnel, or branch insignia for chaplains. Insignia may be pin or sew-on, worn centered on the front of the headgear-- left to right and top to bottom. Caps may be formed with light starch or equivalent. The same type and design of nametape as worn on the ACU coat/shirt may be worn centered on the hook-and-loop pads centered on the bottom third of the patrol cap's back side.

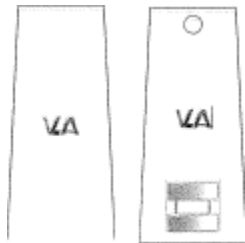
(2) Black Knit Cap. Commanders may authorize, for extended periods of outdoor activity in a field environment, the black knit cap, with no rank on it.

d. Cold Weather Coats.

(1) ECWCS (Gortex) Parka: Subdued rank insignia and subdued VA insignia will be worn on ECWCS the Parka Front Tab as illustrated below.



(2) Field Jacket, M-65, (Woodland Pattern): Subdued rank insignia and VA insignia will be worn as illustrated below. Subdued (O.D. fabric and black thread) "VIRGINIA" tape, as worn on the ACU, will be worn over the left breast and a subdued nametape as worn on the ACU will be worn on the right breast.

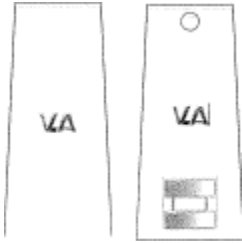


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(3) ECWCS Generation 3 Polar Fleece, black or coyote tan: Subdued (O.D. fabric and black thread) "VIRGINIA" tape, as worn on the ACU, will be worn over the left breast and a subdued nametape will be worn on the right breast as worn on the ACU. Subdued (O.D. fabric and black thread) rank insignia, as worn on the ACU, will be worn on the fleece above the nametape. Name tapes and rank insignia will be sew-on or affixed using hook and loop fastener, but not a combination of both.

(4) Coat, Black, All Weather (Male and Female) and Windbreaker, Black:

Enlisted personnel will wear a VA insignia on the all-weather coat and windbreak, centered on the shoulder loops an equal distance from the outside shoulder seam to the outside edge of the button, with the base of the VA insignia toward the outside shoulder seam. Enlisted personnel will wear non-subdued rank insignia on each collar. Officers will wear a VA insignia centered on the shoulder loops, an equal distance from the inside edge of their rank insignia to the outside edge of the button, with the base of the insignia toward the outside shoulder seam – as illustrated below.



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3. Modifications to AR 670-1 and DA PAM 670-1 ACU Wear and Appearance Regulations.

a. Member Name Tape and "VIRGINIA" Tape.

(1) Subdued member nametapes (OD green webbed fabric with black thread) in all-capital letters will be worn over the right breast pocket IAW DA PAM 670-1. Members must purchase their own member name tapes

(2) The "U.S. ARMY" cloth nametape over the left breast pocket as described in DA PAM 670-1 will be replaced with an OD green webbed fabric with black thread tape that will read in capital letters, "VIRGINIA." The "VA DEF FORCE" branch tape is not authorized. Two Velcro Virginia nametapes are issued to *all* new entrants.



Virginia Name Tape

(3) Name and VIRGINIA tapes can be sewn on or affixed using hook and loop fastener material, but not a combination of both.

b. Rank Insignia. Rank insignia will be worn over the solar plexus IAW DA PAM 670-1. The insignia can be sewn on or affixed using hook and loop fastener material. The rank will be subdued only, and may be OD green fabric or OCP pattern. Members must purchase their own rank insignia.

c. Virginia Flag. The U.S. flag discussed in DA PAM 670-1 will be replaced with a patch representing the flag of the Commonwealth of Virginia. It shall be worn on the pocket flap on the right shoulder of the ACU. The patch shall consist of the Seal of Virginia on a navy blue background, shall be 2"x3", and shall be affixed using hook and loop fastener material only. Two Velcro Virginia Flag patches are issued to *all* new entrants.



Shoulder Sleeve Insignia-Virginia Flag

d. Other Shoulder Insignia.

(1) The VDF subdued (black and OD green) shoulder sleeve insignia (SSI) is authorized for wear the left shoulder, centered on the lower Velcro patch of the ACU/Class C uniform. The VDF SSI will be affixed using hook and loop fastener material only. Two Velcro subdued SSI are issued to *all* new entrants.



Shoulder Sleeve Insignia-Virginia Defense Force

(2) Combat Service Patches. Combat service patches (subdued only) authorized during any U.S. armed forces federal service as verified by the member's DD-214 or NGB Form 22, may be worn on the right shoulder below the VA flag and centered on the lower Velcro patch of ACU/Class C uniform, and will be affixed using hook and loop fastener material only.

e. Skills Badges and Tabs, and Duty Status Badges.

(1) All skills badges and tabs will be worn IAW DA PAM 670-1. Only those authorized in **VDFR 600-10 APDX E**, "Awards, Service Ribbons, and Skills Devices for VDF," will be worn.

(a) Only subdued skills badges and tabs may be worn.

(b) Skills badges will be sew-on (OD green webbed fabric with black thread) or pin-on versions (dull, flat black colored metal), but not a combination of both. Skills badges will be worn above the left breast pocket IAW DA PAM 670-1, except for those members who in the past earned the Military Police Shied, it is worn centered on the left breast pocket.

(c) Skills tabs will be affixed using hook and loop fastener material only.

(2) Cloth Duty Status badges indicate a special skill holder is qualified per professional standards, and on duty to apply those skills. The medical badge, a 2"x 2' red cross on OD Green background, and the Public Information Office "PIO" (2"x 3" OD Green with black stitching) badge, are currently the only authorized VDF duty status badges. They are worn on the left shoulder above the SSI patch.

Enclosure (2) Wear and Appearance of Army Service Uniform

1. The Army Service Uniform (ASU) is optional for VDF members. It includes a midnight blue coat worn with lighter blue trousers for male soldiers and a midnight blue coat worn with either lighter blue slacks or midnight blue skirt for female soldiers. The trousers/slacks for non-commissioned and commissioned officers include a stripe of gold braid on the outer side of the leg. Generals wear midnight blue trousers/slacks with gold braid instead of the lighter blue used in lower ranks. The ABSU is worn with a white shirt, a black four-in-hand necktie for males, or black neck tab for females, and black leather shoes.

a. Headwear includes a midnight blue service cap with branch-of-service colors, or beret -- per below details.

b. Enlisted rank is indicated by chevrons on the upper sleeve, while officer rank is indicated by passant shoulder straps with branch-of-service color backing as described per below details.

c. Consult below and AR 670-1/DA PAM 670-1 for details.

2. Male ASU and Variations.

a. The male ASU consists of the following ((references are to DA Pam 670-1 which apply except as specified below):

(1) Coat, Army blue, male (Army blue 450 or 150) (see para 11-7).

(2) Trousers (see para 11-8). (a) Light blue (Army blue 451 or 151); (b) Dark blue (general officers only) (Army blue 450 or 150).

(3) Shirt, white, short- or long-sleeved (see para 11-9).

(4) Necktie (see para 20-22).

(5) Undergarments (see para 20-32).

(6) Belt, black, web waist, brass tip; and buckle, belt, brass (see paras 20-3c and 20-3e).

(7) Headgear (see paras 11-10 and 20-4).

(8) Footwear (see para 20-27).

(9) Socks (see para 20-28).

(10) Undershirt (see para 20-32f).

b. The variations of the male ASU are as follows:

(1) The male Class A ASU includes the Army blue coat and low-waist trousers, white short- or long-sleeved shirt, and four-in-hand necktie (see DA PAM figs 11-1 through 11-5). Either the frame cap or beret is worn with this uniform (see paras 11-3 and 11-5 for accessories and other items authorized for wear on the male Class A ASU).

(2) The male Class B ASU includes the low-waist trousers and white short- or long-sleeved shirt. The coat is not worn. Soldiers will wear a four-in-hand necktie with the long-sleeved white shirt (see figs 11-6 through 11-8). Either the frame cap or beret is worn with this uniform (see paras 11-3 and 11-5 for accessories and other items authorized for wear on the male Class B ASU and note the VDF distinctive discussion below as well.).

(3) The male ASU dress variation includes the Army blue coat and low-waist trousers, long-sleeved white shirt, and four-in-hand tie (before retreat) or bow tie (after retreat). When this uniform is worn for evening social occasions (after retreat), headgear is not required. Combat boots and organizational items, such as brassards and MP accessories, are not authorized for wear with the male ASU dress variation.

(4) When worn with a black bow tie, the Army dress uniform constitutes a formal uniform and corresponds to a civilian tuxedo (see figs 11-9 and 11-10) (see paras 11-3 and 11-5 for accessories and other items authorized for wear on the male ASU dress variation).

3. Female ASU and Variations.

a. The female ABSU and dress variation consist of the following (references are to DA Pam 670-1 which apply except as specified below).

(1) Coat, Army blue, female (Army blue 450 or 150) (see para 12-7).

(2) Slacks (see para 12-8).

(a) Light blue (Army blue 451 or 151).

(b) Dark blue (general officers only) (Army blue 450 or 150).

(3) Skirt, blue (optional) (Army blue 450 or 150) (see para 12-9).

(4) Shirt, white, short- or long-sleeved (see para 12-10).

(5) Neck tab, black, service (see para 20-21b).

(6) Undergarments (see para 20-32).

(7) Belt, black, web waist, brass tip; and buckle, belt, brass (see paras 20-3c and 20-3e).

(8) Headgear (see paras 12-11 and 20-4).

(9) Footwear (see para 20–27).

(10) Socks or stockings (see para 20–28)

b. The variations of the female ASU and dress variation are as follows:

(1) Service Class A/Dress. All components are worn; subject to election of either the slacks or the skirt (optional purchase item).

(2) Service Class B. The coat is not worn. Female Soldiers may elect to wear either the slacks or the skirt. The neck tab is only required if wearing the long-sleeve shirt. 12–3. Occasions for wear

4. VDF Sleeve Braid and Shoulder Board. Non-prior service VDF officers ASU sleeve braid and shoulder boards will correspond to the U.S. Army Engineer Corps (EC). The EC branch was chosen primarily because it will maintain uniformity with traditional SDF colors (red and white) and to maintain consistency with the approved service uniform established for the unorganized militia officers of the Virginia Military Institute. Prior service officers may use that branch the VDF member qualified for during prior federal service per DD-214 or NGB Form 22. Enlisted members follow AR 670-1 guidance.

5. VDF ASU Headgear Variations.

a. Service Cap, Army Blue.

(1) Hat Band. The hat band will be the color for the Army Engineer Branch for non-prior service VDF officers; or for prior service officers, that branch the VDF member qualified for during prior federal service per DD-214 or NGB Form 22; and for enlisted members IAW AR 670-1 guidance.

(2) Hat Emblem. The Army ASU Great Seal Cap emblem will be replaced with the “VDF” partial seal of Virginia emblem in gold-colored metal, as illustrated below for officers, and with the “VDF” partial seal of Virginia emblem in silver-colored metal, as illustrated below for enlisted.



VDF Army Service Uniform Cap Insignia

b. The black beret is authorized for wear with the ASU only. Per the below figure, the universal State Defense Force (SDF) flash red with white stars circling its border, sewn to the front stiffener, will be the only authorized flash worn.



VDF Red Beret Flash (example for officer and enlisted)

(1) Officers wear non-subdued rank insignia centered on the SDF flash; chaplains wear their branch insignia.

(2) Enlisted personnel wear the VDF George Washington Division Distinctive Unit Insignia (see below), centered on the SDF flash.

6. VDF Coat Lapel Insignia.

a. Non-prior service VDF officers will replace U.S. Army coat lapel branch insignia with the standard SDF coat lapel branch insignia (i.e.; crossed musket and sabre) in gold-colored metal. They will wear the Army Engineer shoulder board (scarlet with white piping).



SDF Crossed Musket and Saber “Militia Branch” Insignia (for officer wear)

b. Prior service officers may wear that coat lapel branch insignia qualified for during prior federal service per DD-214 or NGB Form 22. They will also wear the Army branch shoulder board reflecting that qualification.

c. VDF officers assigned to Chaplain and Medical specialty branch will wear the U.S. Army branch coat lapel insignia and shoulder board corresponding to their specialty branch.

d. VDF enlisted coat lapel insignia consists of the crossed musket and sabre branch insignia. The “crossed musket and sabre” is placed on a 1-inch diameter disk in gold-colored metal (see below).



SDF Crossed Musket & Saber "Militia Branch" Insignia (for enlisted wear on disk)

e. The Army ASU "US" Coat lapel insignia will be replaced with the "VA" coat lapel insignia.

(1) Officers. The coat lapel insignia consists of the block letters "VA" in gold-colored metal, 7/16" high, without periods following the letters per below.

(2) Enlisted Personnel. The enlisted coat lapel insignia consists of the block letters "VA" in gold-colored metal, 7/16" high, without periods following each letter. The "VA" is placed on a 1-inch diameter disk in gold-colored metal (see below).



VA Coat Lapel Insignia, Officer



VA Coat Lapel Insignia, Enlisted

7. VDF ASU Buttons. The large and small Army ASU Great Seal buttons will be replaced with VDF bright brass Seal of Virginia Buttons, as illustrated below.



VDF Seal of Virginia Buttons

8. VDF Distinctive Unit Insignia. Distinctive unit insignia (DUI) authorized for wear on the beret flash (enlisted members), ASU A/B uniform, is the George Washington VDF DUI (see below). The DUI must be worn in accordance with AR 670-1.



George Washington Virginia Defense Force Distinctive Unit Insignia (DUI) (pin-on colored enamel insignia)

9. Shoulder Patches.

a. SSI. The VDF non-subdued shoulder sleeve insignia is authorized for wear, IAW DA PAM 870-1 placement instructions on the left shoulder (see below).



Virginia Defense Force (Full-color) Shoulder Sleeve Insignia (SSI)

b. Combat Service Patches. Combat service patches (non-subdued only) authorized for any U.S. armed forces federal service as verified by the member's DD-214 or NGB Form 22, may be worn on the right shoulder IAW DA PAM 870-1 placement instructions.

c. Skills Badges and Tabs. All skills badges and tabs will be worn IAW DA PAM 670-1. Only those authorized in **VDFR 600-10 APDX E**, "Awards, Service Ribbons, and Skills Devices for VDF," will be worn.

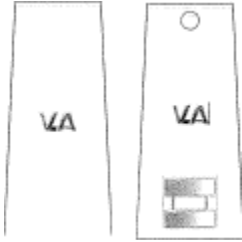
10.. VDF Nameplate. The nameplate is a red, laminated plastic plate, 1 inch by 3 inches, 1/16 inch thick, with a white border not to exceed 1/32 inch in width. It is worn on the ASU Class A jacket or ASU Class B shirt IAW AR 670-1. The lettering is block type, indented, non-serif, white lettering, and centered on the plate. It will have two lines. The first line will be the individual's last name in all capital block/non-serif letters, 5/16 inch in height; the second line will read "**Virginia Defense Force**" in all capital, block/non-serif letters, 3/16 inch in height. Textured non-gloss finish is the only authorized finish on the nameplate (see below).



Virginia Defense Force Nameplate.

11. ASU Class B Shirt Shoulder Boards. Enlisted personnel will wear a VA insignia on the ASU Class B Shirt Shoulder Board, centered on the shoulder loops an equal distance from the outside shoulder seam to the outside edge of the button, with the base of the VA insignia toward

the outside shoulder seam. Enlisted personnel will wear non-subdued rank insignia on each collar. Officers will wear a VA insignia centered on the shoulder loops, an equal distance from the inside edge of their rank insignia to the outside edge of the button, with the base of the insignia toward the outside shoulder seam – as illustrated below.



Enlisted and Officer Wear of VA Insignia on Shoulder Boards

Enclosure (3) Uniforms and Insignia Providers

This Enclosure (3) contains a non-exhaustive list of known uniform items providers, but is provided to assist members buying their own uniform items, but is not an endorsement or directed source.

ASU (Class A/B) and Mess Dress uniforms: Marlow White at <https://www.marlowwhite.com/>

ASU cap devices and DUIs: acquired via the ACTDET.

ASU Beret Flash: https://www.usamm.com/products/army-red-beret-flash?variant=851631015&gclid=Cj0KCQjwrs2XBhDjARIsAHVymmQ0QONP-VyOLDz_FWCJhL9OdXKD7zKleQG9CPdd_IBUm1PD34OYOpwaAp00EALw_wcB

ASU and Mess Dress VDF buttons: Waterbury Button Company, Pattern 09514, in Mirra Bright Gold finish) with the seal of Virginia superimposed are available in two different sizes for uniform placement as described in AR 670-1 at https://www.buttonbaron.com/Virginia-Buttonby-Waterbury_p_865.html They might also be found at the Civil War Museum in Richmond.

ASU “VA” lapel and the crossed saber/musket lapel pins: Vanguard Uniforms Company at <https://www.vanguardmil.com/pages/army-collection>

Class C uniforms: “Tru-Spec” at <https://www.truspec.com/>

These are other recommended sources for uniform accoutrements and insignia:

<https://store.1800nametape.com/virginiadefenseforce.aspx>

<https://www.vanguardmil.com/pages/army-collection>

<https://www.amazon.com/>

<https://www.tacticalgear.com>

<https://www.usamm.com/products>

<https://www.armysurplusworld.com/red-cross-patch-hook-and-loop>