

FLIGHT SUITS and OUTERWEAR for AUXILIARY AVIATION



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A. AUXILIARY FLIGHT SUIT

- 1. The Auxiliary Flight Suit is authorized to be worn during flight on any aviation mission performed under orders, during flight standby status (B), or when attending aviation workshops unless the order-issuing authority specifies another uniform.
- 2. This Flight Suit shall be the same in pattern, color and design to those worn by Active-Duty Coast Guard aviators.
- 3. The Flight Suit shall be manufactured of fire-retardant material (Nomex) similar to that specified for Active-Duty Coast Guard aviators.

B. AUXILIARY FLIGHT SUIT MARKINGS

- 1. Patches
 - i. Right Breast. A Cloth Patch shall be displayed on the right breast of the Flight Suit, as shown below in Figure 1. The Patch colors shall be similar to those of the Active-Duty aviation patch, with the color order of the Patch reversed, as illustrated.
 - 1. Patch size shall be approximately 2-1/4' by 3-3/8"
 - 2. Lettering on the Patch shall be in all capital letters with three lines of lettering, as shown.

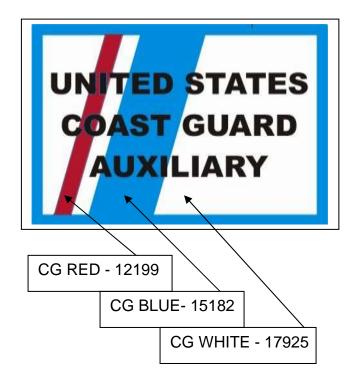
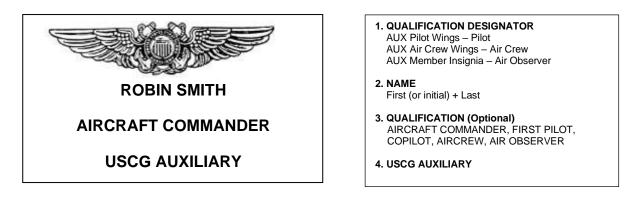


Figure 1 – Auxiliary Flight Suit Right Breast Patch

- ii. Left Breast. A Patch shall be displayed on the left breast of the Flight Suit, as shown below in Figure 2.
 - 1. Leather Patch. The Leather Patch shall have the lettering in silver, embossed on black leather.
 - 2. Cloth Patch. An embroidered Cloth Patch is also authorized and shall have either a silver-thread on a black cloth background or be a patch that is specific to and authorized by the Air Station.
 - 3. Patch size shall be approximately 2" by 4"
 - 4. Lettering on the Patch shall be all capital letters.

Figure 2 – Auxiliary Flight Suit Left Breast Patch





- iii. Left Sleeve
 - 1. A patch of the American National Ensign shall be worn centered on the left sleeve, positioned with the top of the patch ³/₄" below the shoulder seam. The flag shall be positioned with the field forward. This patch shall be approximately 2-1/4" by 3-1/2" in size.

Figure 3 – American National Ensign Patch



- iv. Right Sleeve
 - A patch of the insignia of the member's Coast Guard or Auxiliary District, or of the relevant Coast Guard Air Station shall be worn centered on the right sleeve, positioned with the top of the patch ³/₄" below the shoulder seam. Choice of the insignia shall be made by the order- issuing authority

Figure 4 – Air Station Patch



2. Auxiliary Office Insignia

i. Aviators may wear the insignia of their highest current or past Auxiliary office on the shoulders/epaulets of the Flight Suit. These insignia must be sew-on type, on a background matching the color of the Flight Suit. The outside edge of the office insignia shall be placed ³/₄" in from the shoulder seam or outside end of the epaulet (if present).

Figure 5 – Auxiliary Office Insignia



3. Auxiliary Operational Mission Participation Designator

i. At the discretion of the order - issuing authority, Auxiliarists may wear a sleeve patch indicating recognition of Operational Mission Participation. This patch is illustrated in Figure 3, below and shall indicate the level of participation by depicting the number of mission flight hours so recognized by the order-issuing authority. It shall be worn 1/4" below the District or Air Station Patch on the right sleeve. This patch shall be approximately 3/8" by 2" in size.

ii. This patch shall have silver border and silver lettering on a black background. Lettering shall be all capitalized.

Figure 6 - Auxiliary Operational Mission Participation Patch



C. FLIGHT UNIFORM

- 1. The normal uniform for Auxiliary flight, flight standby (B status) or aviation workshops shall consist of:
 - i. Flight Suit with authorized patches and office insignia (see Figure 4)
 - ii. Black Flight Boots and a blue Auxiliary undershirt unless otherwise specified by the order-issuing authority.
 - iii. Optional flight jackets specified in this document.
 - iv. Headgear: garrison cap, baseball cap, black watch cap (flight line only), or protective gear, as required. (see Figure 5)
 - v. Black leather gloves during frigid weather on the flight line. Only Nomex flight gloves are authorized during flight.
 - vi. Mission Commander selects uniform for the mission unless specified by the Order Issuing Authority (OIA). The uniform shall be the same for all flight crew members.

Figure 7 – United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flight Suit



D. COVERS

- a. Aviators may wear the following Covers with the Flight Suit:
 - i. Garrison Cap
 - ii. Auxiliary Ball Cap
 - iii. Helicopter Flight Helmet
 - iv. Black Watch Cap Cold weather only
- b. Covers are not to be worn on the flight line at the Air Station. The Garrison cap is preferred over a ball cap as they can be folded into a pocket when on the flight line.
- c. The Black Watch Cap it limited to preparing the aircraft for flight outdoors in frigid weather. It may be carried onboard in case of emergency ditching but should not be worn in flight as it is not fire resistant.

Figure 8 - Covers for Auxiliary Aviation





Garrison Cap



Watch Cap Frigid Weather ONLY

F. GLOVES

- d. Flight gloves are authorized for use in-flight as specified in COMDTINST M13520.1C:
 - i. Flight gloves are to be freedom green and are available in summer and winter weight. The back of the hand and wrist of the glove are to be constructed of NOMEX to provide protection from fire in-flight while the palm is typically constructed of soft leather for tactile feel.
 - ii. Flight gloves are authorized to be used in-flight only and not for aircraft inspection or maintenance. They may become contaminated with oil or fuel and negate the fire-resistant properties of the gloves.
 - iii. Black leather cold weather glovers are authorized to be used on the flight line in frigid weather but may not be worn during flight.

Figure 10 - Flight Gloves for Auxiliary Aviation



Black Leather



Nomex Flight Gloves

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E. FLIGHT JACKETS

- e. Aviators may wear the following Flight Jackets with the Flight Suit:
 - i. Summer Flight Jacket (type CWU-36/P), Freedom Green
 - ii. Winter Flight Jacket (type CWU-45/P), Freedom Green
 - iii. Reversible Flight Jacket (type MA-1), Sage Green
 - iv. Coast Guard Brown Leather Flight Jacket (type G-1)
 - v. Sage green flight jackets may be used until no longer serviceable.
- f. Freedom Green Flight Jackets will be worn as follows:
 - i. Flight Jackets will have the same patches as authorized for the Flight Suit (Name, USCGAUX, National Ensign, and Air Station patches). No other patches are authorized.
 - ii. The Flight Jacket name patch shall be identical to the black leather name patch worn on the Flight Suit.
 - iii. Auxiliary office insignia is not authorized
 - iv. May be worn only with Flight Suits. The Flight Jacket is not authorized for wear with any other uniform.
 - v. The Flight Jacket shall be worn with the zipper zipped at least ³/₄ of the way up.
 - vi. Flight jacket shall be maintained in a clean and serviceable condition. If torn, stained or frayed beyond reasonable repair, it shall be replaced with a new jacket.
 - vii. Members having the MA-1 jacket may wear them while they are serviceable. When no longer serviceable they must be replaced with a CWU-36/P or a CWU-45/P.
 - viii. If purchasing a new jacket, only the CWU-36/P and CWU-45/P are authorized.
 - ix. If the Freedom Green Flight Jacket is constructed of Nylon, it is not authorized to be worn in-flight. Only NOMEX CWU-36/P and CWU-45/P jackets may be worn in-flight.
- g. Brown Leather Flight Jackets (G-1) may be worn with the Flight Suit if authorized by the Air Station. The USCG G-1 Flight Jacket is to be worn as follows:
 - i. If a name patch is affixed, it shall be black leather and identical to the name patch affixed to the Flight Suit and consistent with Figure 2 of this document.
 - ii. No other patches are authorized for the Brown Leather Flight Jacket unless specified by the Air Station.
 - iii. The G-1 leather Flight Jacket may be carried onboard in case of emergency ditching but should not be worn in flight as it is not fire resistant

Figure 9 - Flight Jackets for Auxiliary Aviation



CWU-36/P



CWU-45P



MA-1



G-1