

UNIFORMS OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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There are two known publications outlining uniforms:

- 1) Enclosure three; Uniform Code; Effective 12 August 2005; found in National Bylaws & Administrative Procedures
- 2) Uniform Manual; August 2002

Although the Uniform Manual has photos and is more comprehensive it is hard to come by and may not be updated soon.

Being that Enclosure three is the most recent updated publication it must take precedence when the contradictions are found.

This information is posted on the Marine Corps League, Department of Ma. web site per order of Commandant Joseph Caterina and compiled by Uniform Committee Chairman John Rutovich in hopes of bringing to the Membership a better understanding and appreciation of a clean cut and dignified Uniform in which to represent **our League.**

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



UNIFORM MANUAL
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HOW TO PROPERLY WEAR THE MARINE CORPS COVER

NOTE: the **ONLY** approved head wear is the standard Marine Corps League red cover. "Smokey the bear", USMC service covers, berets, etc. are **NOT AUTHORIZED**.

LEFT SIDE

On the left side of the cover, one of two identifying insignia shall be worn. All regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps large Eagle, Globe and Anchor cover insignia, in either highly shined natural brass or Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate Members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the gold Associate member insignia, which is rectangular in shape and has the letters MCL.

RIGHT SIDE

A. DETACHMENT/DEPARTMENT IDENTIFICATION- The Detachment or Department name (for Department Officers) shall be on the lower most part of the cover. It should be centered, fore and aft, on the cover.

B. TITLE IDENTIFICATION- The cap strip or embroidery title which denotes your title or office in the Marine Corps League shall be worn above the Detachment/Department identification. It shall be centered on the cover. In the case of National Officers, elected or appointed, their office identification is worn as explained in A.

C. LIFE MEMBER- The LIFE strip or embroidery shall be worn at the upper rear corner of the side flap (not on the crown). The LIFE MEMBER strip will be worn centered above the Detachment/Department designation.

D. MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOGS PATCH- If you are a member on the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, you will wear the round patch according to procedures set forth by the Kennel.

SPECIAL RULES

A. if you were elected or appointed officer at the Department or National level, and you no longer hold any position at that level, you will revert back to the cover of your present status.

B. The following past officers shall be accorded the right to wear the cover of their previous office with the time of tenure: Past Chief Devil Dog and Past National Director of the Young Marines.

C. If you held the office of Commandant at any level, you are authorized to wear your cover with either a cap strip or embroidered which gives the dates of your tenure, no matter what other elected or appointed offices you may now hold.

D. No pins, medals or any other devices shall be worn on the Marine Corps League Cover other than the EGA.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE UNDRRESS UNIFORM (SHORT SLEEVE) - MALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers. Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs. White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White short sleeve aviator shirt with two pockets, button down flaps and epaulets.

E. COLLAR ORNAMENTS

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the sunburst ornaments with the anchors facing inboard. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

F. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE PATCH

The patch is to be worn by regular members of the Marine Corps League on the left sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. Associate members will wear the patch as described above, with a rocker which says "Associate".

G. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS SHOULDER PATCH

To be worn on the right sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam.



H. U.S. FLAG PATCH

To be worn by those members of the League who are not members of, nor desire to be members of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, and all associate Members. The U. S. Flag patch (with white border) shall be worn on the right sleeve, one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. The field of blue shall be on the right side (to the wearer's front). The Flag patch was approved at the 1994 National Convention in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. The field of blue was approved by the National Board of Trustees on 29 September 1994 in Quantico, Virginia.

I. RIBBONS

Either Department of Defense or Marine Corps League ribbons to be worn one eighth (⅛) inch above the left breast pocket. DO NOT INTERMIX. Shooting badges will not be worn with MCL ribbons.

J. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

K. NAMEPLATE (OPTIONAL)

To be worn one eighth (⅛) inch above the right breast pocket.

L. TROUSERS

Either Dress Blues, USMC with red stripe or Black, without cuffs. This was approved at the 1990 National Convention in Sacramento, CA.

M. BELT

Khaki belt, USMC with brass open buckle to be worn with Dress Blue trousers. For the black trousers, a

black web belt with the gold square buckle with EGA will be worn.

N. SOCKS

Black

O. SHOES

Black shoes with plain toe

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE UNDRRESS UNIFORM (SHORT SLEEVE)- FEMALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments
Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers. Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs. White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White short sleeve shirt aviator shirt with two pockets, button down pocket flaps and epaulets or white blouse woman's, USMC as worn with the Dress Blues.

E. COLLAR ORNAMENTS

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the sunburst ornaments with the anchors facing inboard. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

F. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE PATCH

The patch is to be worn by regular members of the Marine Corps League on the left sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. Associate members will wear the patch as described above with a rocker which says "Associate"

G. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS SHOULDER PATCH

To be worn on the right sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam.



H. U.S. FLAG PATCH

To be worn by those members of the League who are not members of, nor desire to be members of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, and all associate Members. The U. S. Flag patch (with white border) shall be worn on the right sleeve, one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. The field of blue shall be on the right side (to the wearer's front). The Flag patch was approved at the 1994 National Convention in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. The field of blue was approved by the National Board of Trustees on 29 September 1994 in Quantico, Virginia.

I. RIBBONS

Either Department of Defense or Marine Corps League ribbons to be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the left breast pocket. DO NOT INTERMIX. NO shooting badges will be worn with MCL ribbons.

J. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

K. NAMEPLATE (OPTIONAL)

To be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the right breast pocket.

L. SLACKS OR SKIRT

Black "A" line skirt, black slacks or slacks, Blue, Dress USMC WM.

M. HOSE

Nylon black, black socks with slacks

N. SHOES

Black with plain toe. Either oxfords or pumps will be acceptable.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE UNDRRESS UNIFORM (LONG SLEEVE)-MALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White long sleeve aviator shirt with two pockets, button down flaps and epaulets.

E. NECKTIE

Black, with gold USMC or MCL tie bar.

F. COLLAR ORNAMENTS

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the sunburst ornaments with the anchors facing inboard. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

G. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE PATCH The patch is to be worn by regular members of the Marine Corps League on the left sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. Associate members will wear the patch as described above with a rocker which says "Associate".

H. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS SHOULDER PATCH

To be worn on the right sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam.



I. U.S. FLAG PATCH

To be worn by those members of the League who are not members of, nor desire to be members of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, and all associate Members. The U.S. Flag patch (with white border) shall be worn on the right sleeves, one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. The field of blue shall be on the right side (to the wearer's front). The Flag patch was approved at the 1994 National Convention in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. The field of blue was approved by the National Board of Trustees on 29 September 1994 in Quantico, Virginia.

J. RIBBONS

Either Department of Defense or Marine Corps League ribbons to be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the left breast pocket. DO NOT IMTERMIX. Shooting Badges will not be worn with MCL ribbons.

K. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

L. NAMEPLATE (OPTIONAL)

To be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the right breast pocket.

M. TROUSERS

Either Dress Blue, USMC with red strip or black. Associate members will not wear the red strip. Approved at the 1990 National Convention, Sacramento, California.

N. BELT

Khaki belt, USMC with open buckle to be worn with Dress Blue trousers. For black trousers, a black web belt with a gold square buckle with EGA.

O. SOCKS

Black.

P. SHOES

Black shoes with plain tip.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE UNDRRESS UNIFORM (LONG SLEEVE)- FEMALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments. Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers. Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs. White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant.

Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White long sleeve aviator shirt with two pockets, button down pocket flaps and epaulets or white blouse, woman's, USMC, worn with Dress Blues.

E. TIE

Black cross tie.

F. COLLAR ORNAMENTS

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the sunburst ornaments with the anchors facing inboard. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

G. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE PATCH

The patch is to be worn by regular members of the Marine Corps League on the left sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. Associate members will wear the patch as described above with a rocker which says "Associate".

H. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS SHOULDER PATCH

To be worn on the right sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam.



I. U.S. FLAG PATCH

To be worn by those members of the League who are not members or, nor desire to be members of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, and all associate Members. The U.S. Flag patch (with white border) shall be worn on the right sleeve, one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. The field of blue shall be on the right side (to the wearer's front). The Flag patch was approved at the 1994 National Convention in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. The field of blue was approved by the National Board of Trustees on 29 September 1994 in Quantico, Virginia.

J. RIBBONS

Either Department of Defense or Marine Corps League ribbons to be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the left breast pocket. DO NOT INTERMIX. Shooting badges will not be worn with MCL ribbons.

K. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

L. NAMEPLATE (OPTIONAL)

To be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the right breast pocket.

M. SLACKS OR SKIRT

Black "A" line skirt, black slacks or slacks Blue, Dress, USMC WM

N. HOSE

Nylon black, black socks with slacks

O. SHOES

Black with plain toe. Either oxfords or pumps will be acceptable.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CASUAL UNIFORM - MALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments. Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers. Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White long sleeve aviator shirt with two pockets, button down flaps and epaulets.

E. NECKTIE

Black, with gold USMC or MCL tie bar.

F. BLAZER

Red, two Marine Corps League buttons on the front and three MCL buttons on the cuff.

G. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CREST

The Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion seal will be worn.

H. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

I. TROUSERS

Black.

J. BELT

Black web belt with Marine Corps emblem on gold buckle.

K. SOCKS

Black.

L. SHOES

Black shoes with plain tip.



Note- When wearing this uniform, NO Sunburst emblems, ribbons, miniature medals or name plate will be worn.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CASUAL UNIFORM - FEMALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White long sleeve aviator shirt with two pockets, button down pocket flaps and epaulets or white blouse, women's, USMC as worn with the Dress Blues.

E. TIE Black cross tie.

F. BLAZER

Red, two Marine Corps League buttons on front and three MCL buttons on the cuffs.

G. CREST

Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion Seal will be worn.

H. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

I. SLACKS OR SKIRT

Black "A" line skirt or Black slacks.

J. HOSE

Nylon black hose with skirt or black socks with slacks.

K. SHOES

Black with plain toe. Either oxfords or pumps will be acceptable.



Note- When wearing this uniform, **NO** Sunburst emblems, ribbons, miniature medals or name plate will be worn

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE FORMAL UNIFORM - MALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs. White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White shirt, formal (standard collar), pleated with gold cufflinks and studs.

E. NECKTIE

Black military bow tie.

F. BLAZER

Red, two Marine Corps League buttons



on the front and three MCL buttons on the cuff **OR** Marine Corps League Red Mess Jacket, with MCL buttons, gold waist chain and sunburst emblems.

G. CUMMERBUND

A gold cummerbund or a gold vest front will be worn.

H. MEDALS

Miniature medals may be worn on blazer. Large medals may be worn on the Mess Jacket.

I. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CREST

The Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion seal is optional on the blazer.

J. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.

K. TROUSERS

Black tux trousers or black trousers.

L. BELT

Black web with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle on black trousers.

M. SOCKS

Black.

N. SHOES

Black shoes with plain tip.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE FORMAL UNIFORM- FEMALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments
Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers
Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs. White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Enlisted Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL

DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

White formal, pleated, standard collar, with gold cuff links and studs.

E. TIE

Black cross tie.

F. BLAZER

Red, Two Marine Corps League buttons on front and three MCL buttons on the cuffs.

OR

Marine Corps League red Mess Jacket, with MCL buttons, gold waist chain and Sunburst emblems.

G. CREST

Marine Corps League Crest or Bullion Seal is optional on the blazer. No crest on the Mess Jacket

H. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN

To be worn from the neck as rated.



I. SKIRT

Long, black, with slit on left side, no higher than mid knee cap.

J. EARRINGS

Small pearl or gold, not to exceed 9MM. (Optional)

K. HOSE

Nylon black

L. SHOES

Black pumps with plain toe.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CEREMONIAL UNIFORM- MALE AND FEMALE

A. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

Red cover for Detachments Red cover with gold crown for Department elected and appointed officers Gold cover for National elected and appointed officers, all MODD Kennel officers and Past Chief Devil Dogs. White Cover for the incumbent National Commandant. Gold cover with white crown for all past National Commandants.

B. COVER EMBLEM

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the Enlisted Marine Corps Insignia, either highly shined natural brass or the Hamilton gold plated anodized brass. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

C. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COVER PATCH (ROUND)

To be worn on the right side of the cover in accordance with Kennel regulations.

D. SHIRT

Khaki, USMC, long or short sleeve shirt with military creases. A khaki tie will be worn with the long sleeve shirt

E. COLLAR ORNAMENTS

Regular members of the Marine Corps League shall wear the sunburst ornaments with the anchors facing inboard. Associate members shall wear the rectangular Associate member insignia.

F. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE PATCH

The patch is to be worn by regular members of the Marine Corps League on the left sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. Associate members will wear the patch as described above with a rocker which says "Associate".

G. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS SHOULDER PATCH

To be worn on the right sleeve one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam.



H. U.S. FLAG PATCH

To be worn by those members of the League who are not members of, nor desire to be members of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, and all associate Members. The U. S. Flag patch (with white border) shall be worn on the right sleeve, one and one half (1 ½) inches from the shoulder seam. The field of blue shall be on the right side (to the wearer's front). The Flag patch was approved at the 1994 National Convention in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. The field of blue was approved by the National Board of Trustees on 29 September 1994 in Quantico, Virginia.

I. RIBBONS-

ONLY Marine Corps League ribbons will be worn, one eighth (1/8) inch above the left breast pocket. **NO** Department of Defense ribbons or shooting badges will be worn.

J. MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS COLLAR, DOG TAG AND PIN, (Optional)

To be worn from the neck as rated.

K. NAMEPLATE (OPTIONAL)

To be worn one eighth (1/8) inch above the right breast pocket.

L. TROUSERS

Dress Blues, USMC with red stripe. Associate members will not wear the red stripe.

M. BELT

Khaki belt, USMC with brass open buckle, male only.

N. SOCKS

Black

O. SHOES

Black shoes with plain toe.

ENCLOSURE THREE (3)
UNIFORM CODE - MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

ADOPTED NATIONAL CONVENTION BOSTON 1986 - EFFECTIVE 1/1/87
Revised National Convention Cherry Hill - 8/94 - Effective
9/1/94
Revised and Re-Formatted Convention Cleveland - 8/05 -
Effective 8/12/05

PREFACE

The guidance of this Uniform Code is presented as a standard to establish uniformity and define appropriate wear of the Marine Corps League Uniforms. The word "uniform" itself is defined as "(1) Always the same, as in character or degree; unvarying (2) Conforming to one principle, standard, or rule; consistent". Because many features about these uniforms clearly resemble United States Marine Corps uniforms, it is very likely that an unmindful public may see that we are the **Marines**; and when today's Marines see us wearing uniforms that are a likeness to their own, they will be seeing us as **one of their own**. Our appearance reflects upon the Marine Corps and Marines everywhere, and we should ever be aware of that responsibility. Uniforms prescribed in this Uniform Code are considered appropriate to preserve the respect and dignity of the Marine Corps League and the United States Marine Corps.

I. MEDALS AND RIBBONS

- A. Marine Corps League and Department of Defense medals and/or ribbons should NEVER be mixed on any uniform. The wearer has only the choice of wearing authorized medals and/or ribbons of either, but never both together and mixed.
- B. Large (Standard) Marine Corps League medals or Department of Defense medals should not be worn with any Marine Corps League Uniform.
- C. Miniature Marine Corps League medals -OR- miniature Department of Defense medals, wings, and badges may be worn ONLY with the FORMAL DRESS Uniform, either on the Evening Dress Jacket, or on the MCL red blazer when worn as the optional jacket for the FORMAL DRESS UNIFORM.

D. Enclosure Four (4) should be referenced for proper precedence of Marine Corps League medals and/or ribbons.

E. Members are expected to know their individual authority to wear Department of Defense medals, ribbons, badges, devices, and awards and the proper way to wear those decorations. Appropriate military uniform directives should be referenced for proper precedence of Marine Corps or other Department of Defense medals and/or ribbons.

II. WEARING OF MINIATURE MEDALS

A. Miniature medals may be worn on the FORMAL DRESS Uniform ONLY.

B. Miniature medals worn on the Evening Dress Jacket should be worn centered on the left lapel, and below the tip of the lapel notch.

C. The following applies only if wearing the red blazer as an optional jacket with the FORMAL DRESS Uniform.

- 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.
- 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.

III. 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 miniature medals should be four (4) inches, (3 ribbon Bar). Although a holding bar of maximum length has room for a maximum of five (5) medals side by side, it can however accommodate ten (10) medals 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
 - Two medals, mounted side by side on a 1-5/16" bar (1 ribbon bar)
 - Three medals, mounted on a 1-5/16" bar (1 ribbon bar) overlapped
 - Four medals, mounted side by side on a 2-5/8" bar (2 ribbon bar)
 - Five medals, mounted on a 2-5/8" bar (2 ribbon bar) overlapped
 - Six to ten medals, mounted on a 4" bar (3 ribbon bar) overlapped
 - Eleven medals, 2 rows - first row (5), second row (6)
 - Twelve or more medals should be tiered on rows as above.

IV. SHOULDER PATCHES

Shoulder patches are worn on the UNDRESS Uniform and the CEREMONIAL Uniform ONLY.

- A. The Marine Corps League shoulder patch will be worn on the left sleeve, centered on the sleeve and 1-1/2" below the shoulder seam.
- B. The United States flag patch (2"x 3 1/2") will be worn on the right sleeve, centered on the sleeve and 1-1/2" below the shoulder seam. The United States flag patch will have a white border, and will have the Field of Blue to the right (to the wearer's front).
- C. If a member of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, the MODD patch will be worn in place of the United States

flag patch, centered on the sleeve and one 1-1/2" below the shoulder seam.

- D. No Service or Unit patches are to be worn on the Marine Corps League Uniform.

V. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVERS

- A. 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.
- B. The Past National Commandants are authorized to wear a Gold with White crown cover. Past National Division Vice Commandants, Past National Executive Directors, Past National Directors of Young Marines, Past Chief Devil Dogs, Past Department Commandants, Past Pack Leaders, and Past Detachment Commandants, 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 members will revert back to the appropriate cover for their current elected or appointed office, removing their prior officer identification strips.
- C. The only insignia authorized for wear on Marine Corps League covers is the solid gold Marine Corps Emblem on the left side. The Devil Dog patch, if authorized, will be worn up front on the right side of the 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, and should be worn above other strips. NO DIVISION PINS OR OTHER PINS/ORNAMENTS ARE AUTHORIZED ON MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVERS.

VI. SPECIAL UNIFORM AUTHORIZATION

The standard Marine Corps League cover is the minimum uniform item worn by members to be considered "in uniform". Although clothing and apparel worn with the standard cover may or may not have a Marine Corps or Marine Corps League

theme, and may be appropriate attire, that attire is not a uniform of the League. **ONLY** those uniforms that are outlined under **"UNIFORM - MALE"**; **"UNIFORM - FEMALE"**; **"ASSOCIATE MEMBER UNIFORM"**; and **"CEREMONIAL UNIFORM"** are approved uniforms of the Marine Corps League. No variation(s) of the prescribed uniforms are authorized. 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. Proposed changes to the Uniform Code must be submitted through the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures amendment process.

VII. MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CREST

The metallic embroidered Marine Corps League Crest 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 commercially sold pocket crest, with the Marine Corps Emblem or Marine Corps League Seal permanently set onto the plastic sleeve, may also be worn as optional wear.

VIII. LAPEL PINS

The following lapel pins may be worn only on the red blazer or the Evening Dress Jacket. The Past National Commandant Pin may be worn inboard with the National Marine of the Year outboard. National Marine of the Year may be worn inboard with a Past Department or Detachment Commandant Pin (only one past commandant pin). Kennel Devil Dog of the Year Pin may be worn outboard of National Marine of the Year. The Chapel of Four Chaplains, MCL Membership, or Retired Marine lapel pins may also be worn. (Although there are several types of MCL Membership pins, i.e. Past Commandant, Life Member, Five Year Membership, Ten Year Membership, etc., only one MCL Membership pin should be worn.) Whatever pins are approved for wear, only two pins may be worn at any time - wearer's choice. Only one (1) miniature ribbon of individual choice may be worn above the lapel pin on the red blazer or evening dress jacket, provided miniature medals are not worn on the evening dress.

IX. NAMETAG

The UNDRESS Uniform and CEREMONIAL Uniform provide that an optional nametag may be worn. A nametag should not be worn with other uniforms.

X. MEDALLIONS

The medal and ribbon presented by the Chapel of Four Chaplains or the Department Marine of the Year Medal and Ribbon (for those Departments that award this device) may be worn with the CASUAL or FORMAL DRESS Uniform (male and female) in lieu of the Military Order of Devil Dog collar at the option of the awardee. Only one such ribbon and medal may be worn at any time.

UNIFORM - MALE

UNDRESS - (Long Sleeve)

- Standard Cover (Paragraph V)
- Devil Dog collar, if authorized (optional)
- Nametag (optional) (Paragraph IX)
- White shirt, with military creases (to be Airline pilot style with two (2) pockets with button down flaps and shoulder epaulets)
- Marine Corps League Sunburst insignias on collar, centered 1/2" inside the collar tip, with wings on the emblem parallel to the deck
- Shoulder patches as authorized (Paragraph IV)
- Marine Corps League ribbons -OR- Department of Defense authorized ribbons, wings, badges. (MCL AND DoD CANNOT BE MIXED) (NO MEDALS on this uniform)
- MCL ribbons should be centered over the left breast pocket, 1/8" above the pocket flap. DoD awards and decorations should be worn as authorized to the individual.
- Tie, Black, with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar (No open collar).
- Trousers, blue dress (with NCO "red" stripe) with Belt, Marine Corps khaki web, with web belt brass buckle
- Shoes, black, plain toe (military style, highly glossed)
- Socks, black
- OPTIONAL: Trousers, black, dress, with the black leather belt and square gold buckle with Marine Corps emblem may be worn as an option to the blue dress trousers and khaki web belt.

UNDRESS - (Short Sleeve)

The short sleeve UNDRESS Uniform is the same in every way to the long sleeve UNDRESS Uniform with the following exceptions:

- The shirt shall be the same Airline pilot style, but short sleeves instead of long.
- The shirt shall be worn with an open collar and no tie or tie bar is worn.

CASUAL (Red Blazer)

- Standard Cover (Paragraph V)
- Devil Dog collar, or other, if authorized (optional) (Paragraph X)
- White shirt, plain collar (No button-down collars. No sunburst insignias on collar)
- Tie, black, with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar
- Blazer, Red, with two (2) Marine Corps League buttons on front and three (3) Marine Corps League buttons on each sleeve cuff
- Marine Corps League Crest (Paragraph VII)
- Lapel pin(s) (optional) (Paragraph VIII)
- Trousers, black, dress
- Belt, black leather, with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle
- Shoes, black, plain toe (military style, highly glossed)
- Socks, black
- OPTIONAL: A black leather dress belt may be worn as a substitute to the black leather belt with Marine Corps emblem on square gold buckle. (The dress leather belt with a ratcheting gold Marine Corps emblem buckle is an approved optional dress belt.)
- NOTICE: No ribbons or medals are worn with the CASUAL Uniform. Sunburst insignias are not worn on the shirt collar and the Marine Corps dress blue trousers are NOT WORN with the CASUAL Uniform.

FORMAL DRESS

- Standard Cover (Paragraph V) (recommended not worn at indoor formal events/ceremonies)
- Devil Dog collar, or other, if authorized (optional) (Paragraph X)
- Military bow tie - black
- White shirt, formal (standard collar), pleated front. (NO RUFFLES)
- Gold cuff Links and gold studs
- Cummerbund, gold -OR- Gold vest front (only approved design)
- Trousers, black tux; -OR- trousers, black, with black dress belt (The dress leather belt with a ratcheting gold Marine Corps emblem buckle is an approved optional dress belt.)
- Marine Corps League Red Evening Dress Jacket, medium weight gabardine material with Marine Corps League buttons, gold waist chain, and sunburst insignias at locating holes in jacket collar.
- Lapel pin(s) (optional) (Paragraph VIII)
- Shoes, black plain toe (military style, highly glossed)
- Socks, black
- Miniature medals, wings, badges (Paragraph I, II, and III).
- OPTIONAL: The Red Blazer may be worn as an option to the Red Evening Dress Jacket with the FORMAL DRESS Uniform. If the red blazer option is chosen, the following applies.
 - The Marine Corps League Crest (Paragraph VII) is optional if miniature medals are worn.
 - Miniature medals may be worn per Paragraph I, II & III.

UNIFORM - FEMALE

UNDRESS - (Long Sleeve)

- Standard cover, male or female style (Paragraph V)
- Devil Dog Collar, if authorized (optional)
- Nametag (optional) (Paragraph IX)
- White shirt, with military creases (to be Airline pilot style with two (2) pockets with button down flaps and shoulder epaulets).

- Marine Corps League Sunburst insignias on collar, centered 1/2" inside the collar tip, with wings on the emblem parallel to the deck
- Shoulder patches as authorized (Paragraph IV)
- Marine Corps League ribbons -OR- Department of Defense authorized ribbons, wings, badges. (MCL AND DoD CANNOT BE MIXED) (NO MEDALS on this uniform)
- MCL ribbons should be centered over the left breast pocket, 1/8" above the pocket flap. DoD awards and decorations should be worn as authorized to the individual.
- Tie, black, cross over (Marine Corps style) -OR- Tie, Black, with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar
- Skirt, black, straight (length should be 1-2" below knees) -OR- Trousers, black, dress, with the black leather belt and square gold buckle with Marine Corps emblem.
- Shoes, black, plain closed toe, pumps, (with skirt) -OR- Shoes, black, plain toe, Women's Oxford, (with trousers).
- Hose, nylon, black, (with pumps) -OR- Socks, black, (with trousers).
- Earrings, (optional) Small white pearl (or pearl like) -OR- gold ball, not to exceed 9mm. When worn, earrings will fit tight against the ear and will not extend below the ear lobe.
- OPTIONAL: Trousers, blue dress (with NCO "red" stripe) with Belt, Marine Corps khaki web, with web belt brass buckle (when in color guard)

UNDRESS - (Short Sleeve)

The short sleeve UNDRRESS Uniform is the same in every way to the long sleeve UNDRRESS Uniform with the following exceptions:

- The shirt shall be the same Airline pilot style, but short sleeves instead of long -OR- White blouse, women's, (USMC style worn with the Dress Blues)
- The shirt or blouse shall be worn with an open collar and no tie or tie bar is worn.

CASUAL

- Standard cover, male or female style. (Paragraph V)
- Devil Dog collar, or other, if authorized (optional) (Paragraph X)
- White blouse, women's, (USMC style worn with the Dress Blues) -OR- White shirt, long sleeve, plain collar (No button-down collars. No sunburst insignias on collar)
- Tie, black, cross over (Marine Corps style), -OR- Tie, Black, with Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar
- Blazer, Red, (women's style) with two (2) Marine Corps League buttons on front and three (3) Marine Corps League buttons on each sleeve cuff
- Marine Corps League Crest (Paragraph VII) (optional)
- Lapel pin(s) (optional) (Paragraph VIII)
- Skirt, black, straight (length should be 1-2" below knees) -OR- Trousers, black, dress, with the black leather belt and square gold buckle with Marine Corps emblem, or black dress belt. (The dress leather belt with a ratcheting gold Marine Corps emblem buckle is an approved optional dress belt.)
- Shoes, black, plain closed toe, pumps, (with skirt) -OR- Shoes, black, plain toe, Women's Oxford, (with trousers)
- Hose, nylon, black, (with pumps) -OR- Socks, black, (with trousers).
- Earrings, (optional) Small white pearl (or pearl like) -OR- gold ball, not to exceed 9mm. When worn, earrings will fit tight against the ear and will not extend below the ear lobe.
- NOTICE: No ribbons or medals are worn with the CASUAL Uniform. Sunburst insignias are not worn on the shirt collar and the Marine Corps dress blue trousers are NOT WORN with the CASUAL Uniform.

FORMAL DRESS

- Standard Cover - NOT WORN BY WOMEN
- Devil Dog collar, or other, if authorized (optional) (Paragraph X)
- White shirt, formal (standard collar), pleated front. (NO RUFFLES)
- Gold cuff Links and gold studs

- Tie, black, cross over (Marine Corps style) -OR- black military bow tie.
- Cummerbund, gold -OR- Gold vest front (only approved design)
- Skirt, black, straight, ankle length, with slit on left side no higher than mid-knee or bottom of kneecap -OR- Trousers, black, dress, with black dress belt. (The dress leather belt with a ratcheting gold Marine Corps emblem buckle is an approved optional dress belt.)
- Marine Corps League Red Evening Dress Jacket, medium weight gabardine material with Marine Corps League buttons, gold waist chain, and sunburst insignias at locating holes in jacket collar.
- Lapel pin(s) (optional) (Paragraph VIII)
- Shoes, black, plain closed toe, pumps, (with skirt) -OR- Shoes, black, plain toe, Women's Oxford, (with trousers)
- Hose, nylon, black, (with pumps) -OR- Socks, black, (with trousers).
- Earrings, (optional) Small white pearl (or pearl like) -OR- gold ball, not to exceed 9mm. When worn, earrings will fit tight against the ear and will not extend below the ear lobe.
- Miniature medals, wings, badges (Paragraph I, II, and III).
- OPTIONAL: The Red Blazer may be worn as an option to the Red Evening Dress Jacket with the FORMAL DRESS Uniform. If the red blazer option is chosen, the following applies.
 - o The Marine Corps League Crest (Paragraph VII) is optional.
 - o Miniature medals may be worn per Paragraph I, II & III.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER UNIFORM

The Uniform Code for both male and female apply to all Associate Members with the following exceptions:

- The Associate member is to wear the 1/2" x 1/2" gold "MCL" insignia in lieu of the Marine Corps Emblem on the cover and in lieu of sunburst insignias on the shirt collars. "MCL" should read parallel to the deck.

- The Marine Corps League "Associate" shoulder patch will be worn in lieu of the standard Marine Corps League shoulder patch. (Paragraph IV, A)
- Flag patch, on right shoulder, may be worn (Paragraph IV, B)
- No Blazer Crest/Bullion Seal will be worn unless one is designed and approved by a National Convention.
- Marine Corps Dress Blue trousers may be worn, but without the NCO "red" stripe.

CEREMONIAL UNIFORM

Regular members of Departments and/or Detachments having "COLOR GUARDS" may wear the "CEREMONIAL Uniform" **ONLY** when participating in those ceremonies. This uniform is authorized for both Males and Females.

- Standard Cover (Paragraph V)
- Devil Dog collar (optional)
- Nametag (optional) (Paragraph IX)
- SHIRT,
 - KHAKI (tan), long sleeve with military creases, with TIE, KHAKI, and Marine Corps or Marine Corps League gold tie bar
- -OR-
- KHAKI (tan), short sleeve with military creases, open collar without tie/tie bar.
- Marine Corps League Sunburst insignias on collar, centered 1/2" inside the collar tip, with wings on the emblem parallel to the deck
- Shoulder patches as authorized (Paragraph IV)
- **Marine Corps League Ribbons "ONLY" -OR- "NO" ribbons at all.** (No DoD ribbons, wings, or badges)
- MCL ribbons should be centered over the left breast pocket, 1/8" above the pocket flap.
- Trousers, blue dress (with NCO "red" stripe) with Belt, Marine Corps khaki web, with web belt brass buckle
- Shoes, black, plain toe (military style, highly glossed)
- Socks, black