

MCJROTC UNIFORM POLICY

- a. Cadets will be issued a Marine Corps uniform during orientation week. Uniforms are issued on a recoverable basis to cadets at no cost to the cadet. *Cadets are responsible for the care and cleaning of the uniform they are issued*
- b. *Wearing the uniform is a significant part of the cadet's MCJROTC grade.* Cadets will be required to wear their uniform at least four days per week. The SMI/MI will prescribe which uniform is the uniform of the day for each class. Cadets are required to know uniform wear assignments and will wear the prescribed uniform accordingly. *The MCJROTC uniform will be worn to and from school, and throughout the day while at school, on assigned uniform days.* Changing out of uniform for physical education or extracurricular activities is required. Cadets are only permitted to wear [Physical Training \(PT\)](#) gear during sessions in JROTC classes. Cadets are usually inspected in their uniform weekly, and because this is a graded event, if a cadet fails to make up the uniform day during the same week, he or she will receive [a failing grade for](#) uniform inspection. *Three failing uniform grades during a marking period may result in the failure of the MCJROTC Leadership Education class for the marking period.* Cadets are required to follow all grooming standards in order to pass inspection. For male cadets this includes maintaining the correct haircut and shave, among other requirements. For female cadets this includes wearing the correct hairstyle and fingernail length, among other requirements. All required grooming standards will be taught in the MCJROTC classes. This information can also be found in the cadet guidebook.
- c. *Federal law imposes certain restrictions on the wearing of a military uniform.* Cadets will be given detailed instruction on when, where, and how to properly wear the MCJROTC uniform. For Example: Cadets may only wear the MCJROTC uniform while at school and directly traveling to and from school. They may not wear the uniform in any other building including any type of store, restaurant, or doctor's appointments [whether accompanied by a parent/guardian or not](#). This is also true for any building in Federal City including the Ochsner Fitness Center and Subway [restaurant](#). Cadets can change out of their uniform before leaving school if necessary. The consequence for all off campus uniform violations is an [O](#)ut of [S](#)chool [S](#)suspension. *Unauthorized use of and the improper wearing of the issued uniform will result in disciplinary action.*
- d. Cadets are expected to keep the uniform clean, pressed, and in good repair. *Seasonal Service Uniforms and Dress Blue Uniforms require dry cleaning whereas the Utility Uniform and t-shirts may be laundered.* Dry Cleaning tickets can be picked up in the Supply office on Thursdays and Fridays. Uniform must go to Kim Chi Cleaners for dry cleaning. Uniforms must be dropped off by Saturday of the preceding week of inspection. A uniform at the cleaners DOES NOT excuse a cadet from inspection.
- e. The MCJROTC instructional staff will be able to fit most cadets without the need for major alterations. The Marine Corps will pay for major alterations to the uniform. Minor alterations, such as hemming of trousers and of skirts will be the responsibility of the cadet

but will not be done without the prior approval of a member of the MCJROTC instructional staff.

- f. An integral part of the MCJROTC program is to develop a sense of personal responsibility. *If the issued uniform or parts of it are lost, damaged, or stolen, the cadet will be held responsible for the monetary reimbursement to the U.S. Marine Corps of all/any items lost/damaged/stolen at the current uniform replacement cost. Costs are payable by check or cash to NOMMA's front office at which time the Cadet will be issued a receipt which should be presented to the Supply Office for the issue of the new gear.*
- g. NOMMA Cadets will be evaluated everyday on their ability to wear both the Military and School uniforms. Additionally, Cadets will have a minimum of two formal graded inspections per quarter. Cadets attending NOMMA can expect to wear the following uniforms:
 - School Uniform (Freshmen-Senior)
 - Green MARPAT digital Utility (Freshmen-Senior)
 - Marine Corps "Bravo" (Junior-Senior)*
 - Marine Corps "Charlie" (Sophomore-Senior)*
 - Marine Corps Dress Blues (Freshmen-Senior)**

**Selected Freshmen and Sophomores that achieve academic and behavior excellence may be issued the Marine Corps Bravo or Charlie uniform.*

***Cadets on the Drill/Color Guard teams, serving in key leadership positions, and identified band or choir members will be issued the Marine Corps Dress Blues.*

GROOMING STANDARDS

Cadets of NOMMA are required to comply with MCJROTC GROOMING STANDARDS as stipulated in Marine Corps Order 1533.6E.

1. Haircuts/hairstyles will be checked every day and especially during inspection.
2. Haircuts and hair styles are not permitted to be faddish or eccentric. Unpermitted haircuts include Mohawks, derivations of Mohawks and cuts or styles with shaved or designed portions of the scalp. Braids and/or derivations of braids may be permitted for females only if hair may be secured according to the LONG HAIR regulations.
3. Hair must be a natural color, coinciding with the eyebrows.
4. Male cadet haircut standards:
 - a. Sides and back trimmed so that the hair is evenly graduated from zero at the hairline to the top of the head. **Hair cannot touch the ears and should be tapered, not blocked.**
 - b. Sideburns will not go below the top of the ear orifice (place your index finger in your ear, your sideburns cannot go below the top of your finger).
 - c. The hair on the top of the head will not exceed 3 inches. It will be washed and neatly combed. Hair must be a natural color, coinciding with the eyebrows.
5. Female cadets hair standards:

- a. Wear their hair so that it does not fall below the bottom edge of collar.
 - b. Female hairstyles must be neat and conservative in appearance and must not interfere with the proper wear of all uniform headgear.
 - c. **Hairpins will be hidden and no other items are allowed in the hair,**
 - d. **SHORT HAIR** extends no more than 1 inch from the scalp, may be NO SHORTER than 1/4 inch, and may be evenly graduated. Bangs, if worn, MAY NOT FALL INTO THE LINE OF SIGHT, may not interfere with wearing of headgear, and must lie neatly against the head.
 - e. **MEDIUM HAIR** does not extend past the uniform collar, is longer than 1 inch in length, and may fall naturally. Graduated hair styles are accepted, but the length from the front to the back may not exceed one inch difference in length. Bangs MAY NOT FALL INTO THE LINE OF SIGHT, may not interfere with the wearing of headgear, and must lie neatly against the head. No portion of the bulk of the hair as measured from the scalp, may exceed 2 inches.
 - f. **LONG HAIR** extends beyond the collar's edge and will be neatly and inconspicuously fastened or pinned tight to the head. Female cadets may not wear a ponytail. No portion of the bulk of the hair may exceed 2 inches except for a bun, which may extend a maximum of 3 inches from the scalp and may be no wider than the width of the head. Hairstyles will be symmetrical (no side buns, etc.) and will not interfere with the proper wearing of headgear. Bangs MAY NOT FALL INTO THE LINE OF SIGHT, may not interfere with wearing of headgear, and must lie neatly against the head.
6. Jewelry: Cadets are **NOT** authorized to wear earrings in the MCJROTC utility uniform. Only Females are authorized to wear earrings (no larger than the *1/4* of an inch in diameter, **one on each ear**) in the NOMMA uniform. Cadets are not authorized to wear facial or body piercings; **No other jewelry** will be visible above or around the neck. Watches are the only authorized jewelry allowed on the wrist. Watches must be inconspicuous; not overly large and may be brown, black, tan, gold or silver. One ring on each hand is allowed, but not to be worn on the thumb.
7. Male cadets will be **clean-shaven daily**. Mustaches are the only facial hair authorized for male cadets. Mustaches must be trimmed so that the hair does not fall below the top edge of the upper lip and does not extend past the comers of the mouth. **Beards of any kind are NOT authorized. Shaving/slashing of eyebrows is NOT authorized. No designs are allowed to the hair, one straight part in the hair is authorized. Two or more parts on the scalp are not authorized.**

***The grooming regulations apply to the military and NOMMA uniforms and are expected to be followed at all NOMMA events (i.e. graduation, prom, dances, sporting events, extracurricular activities).**

Uniform	Utilities	Service / Blues	NOMMA
Hair	USMC Regulations	USMC regulations	USMC regulations, hair may be worn down
Watches	Yes, must be inconspicuous, Black, brown, or gold/silver tone band.	Yes, must be inconspicuous, Black, brown, or gold/silver tone band.	Yes, must be inconspicuous, Black, brown, or gold/silver tone band.
Bracelets	NO	NO	NO
Rings	Yes, one on each hand. Must be inconspicuous. Nothing on the thumb	Yes, one on each hand. Must be inconspicuous. Nothing on the thumb	Yes, one on each hand. Must be inconspicuous. Nothing on the thumb
Lipstick*	NO	Yes, shades of red only. NO PURPLE OR ORANGE.	Yes, shades of red only. NO PURPLE OR ORANGE.
Nails*	Clear polish, American or French manicure. Fingernails shall not extend more than 1/4 inch past the fingertips.	Yes, shades of red, American or French manicure, clear polish. Fingernails shall not extend more than 1/4 inch past the fingertips.	Yes, shades of red, American or French manicure, clear polish. Fingernails shall not extend more than 1/4 inch past the fingertips.
Eyeliner* Mascara* Makeup* and Fake Lashes*	Yes, may not be "faddish" or "eccentric." Must be natural in appearance.	Yes, may not be "faddish" or "eccentric." Must be natural in appearance.	Yes, may not be "faddish" or "eccentric."
Earrings*	NO	Yes, one per ear. In service uniform small, polished, yellow gold color, ball or round stud. In blues, gold or pearl studs, not to exceed 6 mm (1/4 inch).	Yes, one per ear, yellow gold or pearl ball stud not to exceed 6 mm (1/4 inch) in diameter.

*Applies to female cadets only. Male cadets are not authorized to wear in uniform or civilian attire