



## **POLICY 3.0**

### **WI EMSHG Uniform and authorization of use**

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#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Uniform policy is to (1) Provide descriptions of all authorized WI EMS HG uniforms and components, and (2) Provide guidance for all activities prescribing uniform wear in order to present a professional uniform image statewide. Any procedures or components, regarding uniforms or grooming, not discussed in these regulations are prohibited. Only properly authorized members are allowed to wear WI EMSHG uniforms and components of the uniforms by the commander.

#### **CLASS "A" UNIFORM**

##### **POLICY**

1. This policy will apply to all Wisconsin EMS Honor Guard (WIEMSHG) personnel.
2. All command officers are responsible for training the personnel to ensure proper compliance.
3. All members are responsible to abide by this policy.
4. The WI EMS HG uniform is worn with pride and dignity. All uniform components shall be maintained free of needed repair, clean, and free of obvious signs of wear. The uniform is limited to the requirements and shall contain only the appropriate accessories as listed in this policy.
5. All personnel shall keep themselves properly uniformed at all times while at a funeral or event.
6. Uniform apparel shall not be worn casually.
7. Perfume, cologne, aftershave, scented lotion, etc., should be used in moderation or avoided altogether. Jewelry should not be excessive and should be limited to items that do not functionally restrict the member or create a danger to others.
8. Facial jewelry, such as eyebrow rings, nose rings, lip rings and tongue studs, is not permitted to be worn during funerals or events. Tattoos/Ink shall be covered by uniform.
9. Members not in good standing are not allowed to be in uniform.
10. Members are responsible for maintaining issued uniform items. Unserviceable or outsized items need to be reported to the District Director for replacement.

#### **CLASS A UNIFORM**



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### 1. Cap /Cover

- White cover, plain black visor.
- Blue and gold chin strap. SOL button side.
- Cap device is Blue Star of Life with gold trim.
- State Commander and Executive Officer may have scramble on visor.
- Cover will be worn in military style with visor pulled down to eyes.



### 2. Dress Shirt

The uniform shirt is to be clean, pressed, fitted and properly worn. Components of the formal uniform shirt are as follows:

- The shirt will be a long sleeve buttoned white perma-pressed with badge tab reinforcements, epaulets, pleated pockets with lined scalloped flaps and hook and loop closures.
- Shirt pocket flaps shall be buttoned at all times. Pockets shall be free of objects that create bulges or that otherwise detract from a professional appearance.
- WI EMS HG patch will to be worn on each shoulder with the top of the patch one inch from the shoulder seam.
- Gold Caduceus each collar, centered on the collar with 0.25-inch of collar visible on either side of any insignia Caduceus positioned so lower point points toward the collar tip. Commander wears 5-point star, Executive officer wears eagle. Chaplain wears cross.
- Name tag attaches ¼” above the right pocket flap. Service Badge shall be affixed above left pocket flap.
- The shirt will be kept free and clear of all other badges, patches, pins, decorations, etc.
- A plain white t-shirt shall be worn under uniform shirts. Colored t-shirts or those containing graphics or lettering are not allowed. Uniform shirts must be tucked into trousers.

### 3. Neck tie or Ascot

- Clip on, Velcro fastener, or dress tie. Dark Navy in color to match jacket, 3” hand with buttonhole feature to secure tie to shirt. Ascot (Gold/yellow) at Commanders discretion based on other units performing with us.

### 4. Class “A” Dress Jacket

- Class “A” Jacket is Navy Blue double breasted.
- Six button front (button with Star of Life logo).
- Two pocket flap front,
- Badge tab (left), name tag flap (right).
- WI EMS HG patch will to be worn on each shoulder with the top of the patch one inch from the shoulder seam.
- Gold Caduceus each collar, centered on the collar, and positioned as noted. 0.25-inch of collar must be visible on either side of any insignia Caduceus positioned so lower point points toward the collar tip. Match the set on shirt.



## Jacket Continued

- Sleeve Stripes:
  - 1 stripe: All members
  - 2 stripes: HG district training Officers
  - 3 Stripes: District Director
  - 3 stripes: HG Executive Officer
  - 4 Stripes: State Commander
- Epaulets/Shoulder boards:
  - Members, plain
  - Commander: gold caduceus and four stripes.
  - Executive Officer: gold caduceus and three stripes.
  - Chaplain gold cross on each sleeve above stripes.
- Stripe for Jacket is two color  $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide. Center at  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Royal Blue, piped each side by Yellow. This stripe color matches pants.



## 5. Honor Guard Cord

Bright cord in two colors Royal Blue (dominate color) and Gold (yellow), single citation card with a brass tip, button loop. Attaches under left shoulder epaulet.



## 6. Dress Slacks/Pants

The dress slacks are to be clean, pressed, fitted and properly worn. Components of the formal uniform trousers are as follows:

- Uniform trousers shall be navy blue in color. Material will be perma-press. No jeans or wrinkle type material.
- Trousers shall be designed as 4 pocket dress slacks, front and back permanent military creases. Traditional EMT field pants with equipment pockets are not appropriate.
- Trousers are to be worn with a black or navy-blue belt. No suspenders will be allowed.
- Vertical strip on the legs will be 1" Royal blue with 1/8" Yellow gold piping on each side of strip, which matches color of jacket stripes, simply wider royal blue.



## 7. Shoes

Perma-shine high-gloss finish Black only. Socks made of material of your choice in black.

## 8. Accessories

**White Gloves:** Honor Guard members shall wear pure white cotton or cotton/poly gloves during color/honor guard presentation and events.

**Badge:** WI EMS HG Badge is provided by the State HG Association for each member, and remains property of the WIEMSHG. This badge shall be worn only on the class "A" jacket affixed to badge tab for authorized events. For class "B" events (shirt only/no jacket) it shall be worn on the dress shirt affixed to badge tab. The badge shall not be worn or displayed in any other fashion. If lost or stolen, it must be reported to the WI EMS HG Association through your district director

**Name Tag:** A name tag for the class "A" Jacket shall be purchased by the chapter to assure all are alike. The name tag is gold in color with Black block letters. Tag size is ¾" x 3" with military clutch back attachments. No logos or emblems.

**Members who have performed at the National EMS Memorial** shall wear the gold oak leaf on the right lapel of the jacket.

No other pins, badges, patches or decorations shall be worn on the WI EMS HG uniform. Each member shall assure the uniform remains in good repair at all times.

**The WI EMS HG patch is copyright protected and shall not be worn on any on any appeal unless authorized by the State Commander in writing.**

### Class "B" Uniform

Composition and classification: The Class "B" Uniform will be composed of the following:

- White WI EMS HG uniform shirt with plain white t-shirt underneath
- Navy tie
- Dress trousers
- Black leather belt
- Black socks
- High gloss dress shoes
- White dress hat with badge
- White gloves
- Mourning Band on badge when attending funerals or memorial services.

Aviator style sunglasses with gold frame are allowed with the uniform during ceremonies.

The Class "B" Uniform is considered a dress uniform.

Occasions for wear included extreme heat conditions as directed by command:

- Any non LODD EMS funeral where WI EMS HG is requested
- Any LODD Fire/LE funeral where WI EMS HG is requested
- When performing Color Guard duties at social functions

## **Class “C” Uniform**

Composition and classification:

The Class “C” Uniform will be composed of the following:

- Red WI EMS HG Polo shirt
- Khaki colored slacks
- Black Belt
- Black shoes or boots

There is no designated headgear; hats can be worn, as long as they blend with the uniform. When being used in an advance party to an LODD event, hats are discouraged.

The Class “C” Uniform is considered a casual dress uniform. Pants, belt, shoes supplied by each member.

Occasions for wear:

- Advance detail for a LODD
- EMS conferences
- When preparing for an event where wearing a dress uniform is impractical.
- Travel
- When attending a meeting on behalf of the Honor Guard, where the use of the dress uniform is impractical.

## **COATS**

The black all-weather coat is a six button, double-breasted model with a belt, convertible collar that buttons at the neck, gun flap, shoulder loops, adjustable sleeve straps, welt pockets with two inside hanging pockets, and zip-out liner. Members may wear the all-weather coat with or without the liner.

They will wear the coat buttoned, except for the neck closure, which personnel may wear open or closed (As directed by the OIC of the event). Members may wear the coat with the class “A” and “B” uniforms. Only pin-on grade insignia is worn on the epaulets on this coat. (Like the dress uniform jackets.)



**END**

You will be provided with the website to order your uniform shortly. Badges are provided.