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**YOUNG MARINES UNIFORM REGULATIONS**

1. Uniform Regulations. Young Marines are authorized to wear appropriately modified versions of the Marine Corps uniform. The National Executive Director issues the modifications designed to clearly identify the wearer as a member of the YM. The Young Marine uniform is worn during Young Marine Drills (Meetings) or other authorized Young Marine activities as determined by the unit commander.



2. Young Marine Uniform. The official uniform in the Young Marines Program for both youth and adult is the woodland pattern camouflage blouse, trousers and khaki web belt, boots, cover and white T-shirt as shown in Figure 2-1. The camouflage uniform can only be modified as in figure 2-2. Either the red National T-shirt or the unit T-shirt can be substituted for the white T-shirt. This is the only modification that can be made at the unit commander's discretion. No other modifications or deviations are authorized such as shooting badges, scuba bubbles, jump wings, fourragiere, lanyards or other uniforms such as the digital uniform. The unit may designate a Physical Training (PT) uniform consisting of Shorts and T-Shirt, white socks and athletic shoes, as in Figure 2-3. A sweatshirt and pants may be added for cold weather. The Service A and C uniforms in Figure 2-4 and Figure 2-5 may be worn by Young Marines on special occasions such as parades, and birthday balls. Service A or C uniforms are gender specific. Collar devices for the Service A blouse are the Young Marines Disc Insignia collar devices. Rank insignia is to be worn on the Khaki Shirt. The Young Marines Disc Insignia is used on the cover for the service A and C uniforms only. See standards for optional Young Marine uniforms page A-8. Young Marines do not travel in any uniform. Young Marines should always travel in civilian attire with the red National T-shirt. The Service A and C uniforms are optional uniforms and not required.

3. Care and Wear of the Uniform. The Young Marine is responsible for keeping their uniform clean and neatly pressed at all times. The parts are the uniform are:

- a. Cover. The woodland-style authorized camouflage utility cap is worn with the authorized woodland-style camouflage uniform. The cover will be machine or hand laundered in warm water. It may be starched or sized but may not be bleached. The authorized cover comes with the ironed on Marine Corps emblem and is authorized by all personnel. Adults and Young Marines do not wear rank or any other device on their covers.

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- b. Camouflage Blouse. Worn with Young Marine olive drab breast pocket patch centered above the left breast pocket, flush to the pocket seam and flush to the edge of the pocket, (see figure 2-6). The Young Marine shoulder patch is worn on the wearer's left sleeve with the unit designation arc centered above the patch, on the shoulder seam, (see figure 2-7). The blouse will be machine or hand laundered in warm water. It may be starched or sized but may not be bleached. Young Marine of the Year (YMOY) rocker is to be worn on wearer's left sleeve centered below the Young Marine shoulder patch.
- c. Nametape. An olive drab nametape is worn centered over the right pocket, flush to the pocket seam and flush to the edges of the pocket.
- d. Ribbons. Ribbons are worn so that the lowest row of ribbons is 1/8-inch above the left breast pocket patch and centered. Ribbons are worn in the order of precedence as established in the Young Marine Awards Manual. They are preferably worn in rows of three, (see figure 2-6). However, they may also be worn in rows of four. Ribbons that become soiled or faded should be replaced.
- e. Additional Awards and Devices. The Distinguished Order of Merit (DOM) will be worn as follows: The subdued patch of the badge will be permanently affixed to the right breast pocket of the official Young Marine woodland style camouflage uniform. The Badge (cast and in color) will be worn on the right breast pocket of the Young Marine Alpha or Charlie uniform. It can also be worn on a blazer or displayed as in a shadow box. The Presidential Service Volunteer Award may be worn above right breast pocket, centered 1/8" above nametape. Only one Presidential Service Volunteer Award may be worn at any given time
- f. Chevrons. Rank insignia are worn on both collars of the camouflage blouse, khaki shirt or field jacket. They are placed vertically with the single point up and center of the insignia on a line bisecting the angle of the point of the collar. The lower outside edges of the chevron are placed 1/2 inch from the edge of the collar (see figure 2-8)



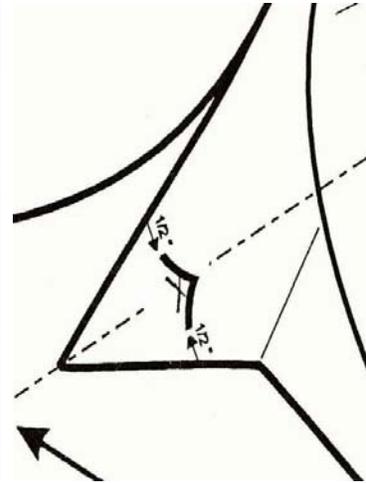
**Front blouse patches and ribbons**

Figure 2-6



**Left shoulder patches**

Figure 2-7



**Chevron Placement Diagram**

Figure 2-8

- g. White T-shirts. Will be worn with the camouflage uniform. Unit Commanders should pay particular attention to times when the camouflage blouse is removed to expose the white t-shirt. In order to protect the dignity of our female members, the camouflage blouse should never be removed if participating in events where water is involved i.e., water tag, working parties, inclement weather, etc. During these type events, the white t-shirt can become transparent, potentially leading to unnecessary embarrassment or harassment. The unit T-shirt or the red National T-shirt may be substituted by the unit commander for such events.

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- h. Camouflage Trousers. Worn with straight or pouch pockets. Nametapes will be sewn over the right rear pocket of the trousers, centered and flush over the top seam, (see figure 2-9). The trouser will be machine or hand laundered in warm water. It may be starched or sized but may not be bleached
- i. Khaki Web Belt. Worn with the Marine Corps style brass or anodized buckle. Green or black cargo belts are also authorized except during formal inspections.
- j. Boots. The standard black leather or black hot weather tropical (jungle) combat boots will be worn. Old-style black combat boots (with eyelet lacing) may also be worn. Whenever possible, boots should be kept polished with a high shine on the toes and heels. **For those who have chosen the Young Marine-unique rough out boot, these do not require polish, but will be clean and free of dirt by brushing.** Black or green socks will be worn with the boots.
- k. Unit or Special T-Shirts. Each unit should have a unit T-shirt with the unit name and the Young Marine designation imprinted on the shirt. Colors may vary. These T-shirts should be part of each Young Marines PT uniform. They may also be worn for activities and functions where the camouflage uniform is inappropriate, for example, car washes, certain community service projects, etc. The unit T-shirt or the red National T-shirt may also be worn under the camouflage uniform on the unit level if the unit commander desires. All Young Marines are expected to keep themselves clean and well groomed whether in uniform or not.



**Right rear trouser pocket patch**

Figure 2-9

4. Uniform Marking. All uniforms items and items used on Young Marine activities must be marked with the Young Marines Last and First Name with a permanent black laundry marker. The listed items below must be marked in the following manner:

- a. Web Belt. On **inside** only, near the buckle end.
  - b. Cover. Inside on the sweatband.
  - c. Blouse. Inside on the neckband.
  - d. Drawers. Inside the waistband.
  - e. Gloves. Inside at the wrist.
  - f. Necktie. On the inside of the neck loop.
  - g. Dress Shirts and Undershirts. Inside back, on neckband.
  - h. Shoes/Boots. Inside near the top.
  - i. Socks. Outside on top of the foot.
  - j. Sweater. Stamped on manufacturing label or use marking tape/label sewed on inside the back of sweater, below the neckband, with thread to match the sweater.
  - k. Trousers; Skirts; Slacks. Inside near the top.
  - l. PT Shorts. Inside immediately below the waistband.
  - m. Bag, Duffel. On the outside of the bottom of the bag.
5. Responsibility for the Uniform. You should follow these rules to help safeguard your uniform:

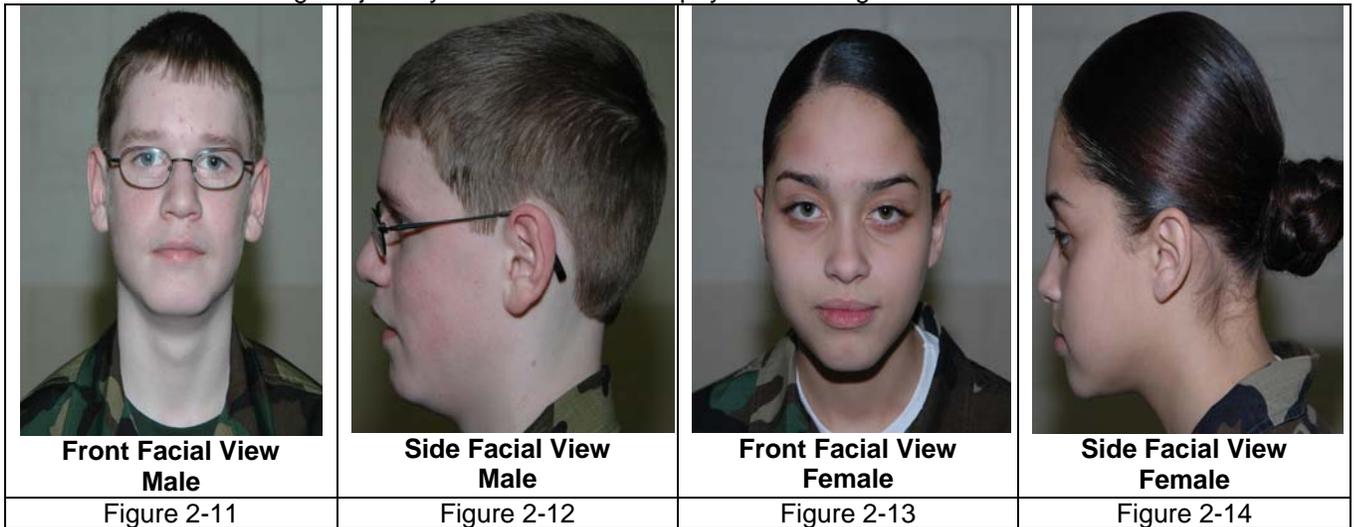
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- a. Don't leave your uniform unattended.
- b. Mark your name in every item of clothing
- c. Promptly replace damaged or poorly fitting parts of your uniform.

6. Grooming and Personal Appearance Standards. Young Marines shall adhere to the following standards:

a. Male Young Marines.

- 1) Hair will be neat and closely trimmed. Hair will be short enough so that it does not touch the ears or hang on the nape of the neck. The hair may be clipped at the edges of the side and back and will not be over 3 inches in length fully extended on the upper portion of the head. Head hair will be styled so as not to interfere with the proper wear of uniform headgear. Hair, which protrudes from beneath properly worn headgear in an unsightly manner, is considered excessive, regardless of length. Male Young Marines are not authorized to wear braids of any sort nor to have eccentric designs cut in their hair.
- 2) Beards are unauthorized. However, mustaches and sideburns may be worn, as long as they conform to current Young Marine grooming standards. When worn, the mustache will be neatly trimmed and must not extend beyond the length of the upper lip. The individual length of a mustache hair fully extended must not exceed 1/2 inch. Except for a mustache, sideburns, eyebrows, and eyelashes; hair may be grown on the face only when a medical officer has determined that shaving is temporarily harmful to the individual Young Marine's health. Sideburns will not extend below the top of the orifice of the ear. Sideburns will not be styled to taper or flare. The length of an individual hair of the sideburn will not exceed 1/8 inch when fully extended.
- 3) The only jewelry permitted is watches, medical items, religious medallions, class or Young Marines ring. All jewelry will be removed for physical training.



b. Female Young Marines.

- 1) Grooming. Hair may touch the collar, but will not fall below the collar's lower edge. Hair that would fall naturally below the collar's lower edge will be neatly and inconspicuously fastened or pinned. During physical training periods in which physical training clothing is worn, hair will be allowed to fall naturally, without being fastened or pinned. This does not apply when conducting physical training in the utility uniform.

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- 2) Hair will be styled so as not to interfere with the proper wear of the uniform headgear. All headgear will fit snugly and comfortably around the largest part of the head without distortion or excessive gaps. Hairstyles, which do not allow the headgear to be worn in this manner, are prohibited.
  - a) Faddish and exaggerated styles to include shaved portions of the scalp other than the neckline, designs in the hair, unsecured ponytails and styles that are distinctly unbalanced or lopsided are prohibited. Multiple braiding and buns are authorized. If hair extensions are used in the braiding of the hair, the extensions must have the same general appearance as the individual's natural hair. Braided hairstyles will be conservative, and conform to other guidelines listed herein.
  - b) Barrettes, combs, rubber bands, etc. are authorized, if concealed by the hair. Inconspicuous hairpins and bobby pins, if required, are authorized. Hairnets will not be worn unless authorized for a specific type of duty.
- 3) Cosmetics. Cosmetics are authorized for wear in uniform if permitted by the parent or legal guardian. It shall be applied conservatively and must complement the individual's complexion and skin tone. Exaggerated or faddish cosmetic styles are considered inappropriate and shall not be tolerated. Non-eccentric lipstick and nail polish colors, to include colorless nail polish are authorized for wear with the uniform. Fingernails with multiple colors and decorative ornamentation are considered eccentric and may **not** be worn. Nail length, to include false nails, will be no longer than 1/4 inch from the tip of the finger.
- 4) Jewelry. The only jewelry permitted is watches, medical items, religious medallions, class or Young Marines ring. All jewelry will be removed for physical training activities. Small, polished ball, or round stud earrings, (post, screw-on, or clip), not to exceed six millimeters (about 1/4 inch) in diameter, may be worn with any uniform. When worn, earrings will fit tightly against, and will not extend below, the earlobe. Only one earring will be worn on or in each earlobe in the lowest hole.

**7. Adult Members Uniform Standards**

- a. Registered Adult Members. The only official uniforms authorized for registered adult members are the Young Marine Camouflage Utility Uniform and the Young Marine Adult Alternative Uniform. All adult members are authorized to wear the Young Marine Camouflage Utility Uniform in accordance with the grooming standards as set forth below. Registered Adults who work directly with the Young Marines are highly encouraged to wear the official Young Marine Camouflage Utility Uniform for the benefit of their charges. The unit commander may request that an adult member wear the Young Marine Adult Alternative Uniform if the camouflage uniform is deemed inappropriate for wear by said commander. Adults requested to wear the alternative uniform will do so as specified below. Registered adults will wear one of the above uniforms whenever working with Young Marines except in those instances where the uniform of the day is PT gear or civilian clothing. **Digital uniforms are not authorized on any level.**
- b. Military Members. Active duty military personnel are authorized to wear Service or Dress Uniforms to Young Marine functions as authorized by their respective Service. Active duty personnel shall not mix Young Marine uniform items such as Young Marine patches and collar devices with any armed forces uniforms patches or devices. This rule also applies to military members serving on active-duty, in the reserves forces, or National Guard, and retirees.

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c. Wearing the official Young Marines Camouflage Utility Uniform: When wearing the Young Marine Camouflage Utility Uniform, registered adults will follow the same guidelines as set forth for the youth with the following exceptions:

- 1) Active duty Marines, former and retired Marines are authorized to wear the anodized brass-collar emblem with the Silver Eagle, Globe and Anchor attached. **The only personnel authorized to wear the Marine Corps collar emblem are Active Duty, Reserve, or former Marines.** This also applies to retirees, medical discharge, and all other discharges under honorable conditions. At no time are adult members who were not in the Marine Corps, allowed to wear the Marine Corps collar emblem. **Young Marines are not authorized to wear the Marine Corps collar emblem.** They are also authorized to wear the "U.S. Marines" nametape en lieu of the "Young Marines" nametape over the left breast pocket, (see figure 4). Those Marines who are members of the Marine Corps League may wear the MCL Sunburst collar device en lieu of the brass and silver Young Marine Collar Device (see figure 5).



(Figure 4)



(Figure 5)



(Figure 6)

- 2) Adult members who are not Marines are authorized to wear the Young Marines Disc Insignia, a solid gold colored anodized brass emblem depicting the Young Marine logo, (see Figure 6). When wearing the camouflage uniform, the blouse will have an olive drab nametape over the right pocket, centered and flush with the pocket seam and the edges of the pocket. **A matching olive drab tape labeled YOUNG MARINES will be worn over the left breast pocket.**
- 3) Former Young Marines who are now registered adults are authorized to wear the Former Young Marine Collar Disc Insignia, a solid gold colored anodized brass disc with the Young Marine Swoosh in silver centered on each disc. (see Figure 7)



(Figure 7)

- 4) The unit designation arc is sewn on the left sleeve against the shoulder seam with the Young Marine patch underneath, flush against the unit designation arc.
  - 5) The unit commander will have an additional arc on his shoulder. It will be sewn on directly underneath the Young Marine patch and will be labeled UNIT COMMANDER.
- d. Wearing the Young Marine Adult Alternative Uniform. Registered Adult Members who have been requested by the unit commander to wear the Young Marine Adult Alternative Uniform will wear this uniform as follows:

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- 1) **Boots.** The standard black leather or black hot weather tropical (jungle) combat boots will be worn. Old-style black combat boots (with eyelet lacing) may also be worn. Whenever possible, boots should be kept polished with a high shine on the toes and heels. For those who have chosen the Young Marine-unique rough out boot, these do not require polish, but will be clean and free of dirt by brushing. Black or green socks will be worn with the boots.
  - 2) **Trousers.** The Young Marine approved trousers will be the khaki 511 style and will be worn with the khaki web belt. These trousers are only available through the Young Marines Gear Store and match the khaki color of the cover as described below. Trousers are worn unbloused.
  - 3) **Shirt.** The approved shirt for this uniform will be the black "STAFF" T-shirt, black unit T-shirt, or a black polo-style shirt. The shirt is worn tucked into the trousers. Unit Commanders will authorize appropriate cold and inclement weather sweaters and jackets.
  - 4) **Cover.** The approved cover for use with this uniform will be a Marine Corps style khaki utility cover. No emblems or devices worn or ironed on, are authorized for wear on this cover. The registered adult alternative uniform cover is only available through the Young Marines Gear Store.
- e. **Rank.** The wearing of rank insignia of any kind by adult members on official Young Marine Uniforms is strictly prohibited.
- f. **Awards/Ribbons.** Adult members are not authorized to wear Young Marine awards. Ribbons for adult members have been discontinued and are no longer authorized for wear on the Young Marine Uniform. The only authorized awards for registered adults to wear are the DOM (Distinguished Order of Merit) and the Presidential Volunteer Service Award, and can only be worn on the Young Marine Camouflage Utility Uniform.
- g. **Campaign Cover.** The wearing of the Campaign Cover or "Smoky" is strictly prohibited for all Young Marines and Adult members. This prohibition applies to current Drill/Basic Military Training (BMT) Instructors of all Services acting in their capacity as a Young Marine instructors or staff member and former Drill/ BMT Instructors.

**8. Grooming and Personal Appearance Standards for Adult Members .**

All members of the Young Marines Program shall adhere to the following standards: Adult members shall maintain neat and well-groomed appearance. Unit Commanders **must** take into consideration, prior to assigning registered adults a position that require the individual to wear the **official Young Marine Camouflage Utility** Uniform or direct involvement with Young Marines, the grooming and appearance standards as directed below.

- 1) **Standards for male registered adults in uniform.**
  - a) **The Official Young Marines Camouflage Utility Uniform.**
    - (1) **Grooming.** Hair will be neat and closely trimmed. Hair will be short enough so that it does not touch the ears or hang on the nape of the neck. The hair may be clipped at the edges of the side and back and will not be over 3 inches in length fully extended on the upper portion of the head. Head hair will be styled so as not to interfere with the proper wear of uniform headgear. Hair, which protrudes from beneath properly worn headgear in an unsightly manner, is considered excessive, regardless of length.
    - (2) Beards are unauthorized for members in uniform. However, mustaches and sideburns may be worn, as long as they conform to current Young Marine grooming standards. When worn, the mustache will be neatly trimmed and must not extend beyond the length of the upper lip. The individual length of a mustache hair fully

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extended must not exceed 1/2 inch. Sideburns will not extend below the top of the orifice of the ear. Sideburns will not be styled to taper or flare. The length of an individual hair of the sideburn will not exceed 1/8 inch when fully extended.

(3) Jewelry. Earrings are not allowed for male adult members **wearing the official Young Marines Camouflage Utility Uniform**. The only jewelry permitted, when in uniform, is watches, wedding bands, **class or Young Marines ring**, medical bracelets, or medical and religious medallions. **All jewelry will be removed for physical training activities.**

b) **The Young Marines Alternative Uniform**. When requested to wear the alternative uniform by the unit commander, the above standards do not apply with the exception of sub-paragraph (3) Jewelry.

2) Standards for female registered adults in uniform.

a) **The Official Young Marines Camouflage Utility Uniform**.

(1) Grooming. Hair may touch the collar, but will not fall below the collar's lower edge. Hair that would fall naturally below the collar's lower edge will be neatly and inconspicuously fastened or pinned. During physical training periods in which physical training clothing is worn, hair will be allowed to fall naturally, without being fastened or pinned. This does not apply when conducting physical training in the utility uniform.

(2) Hair will be styled so as not to interfere with the proper wear of the uniform headgear. All headgear will fit snugly and comfortably around the largest part of the head without distortion or excessive gaps. Hairstyles, which do not allow the headgear to be worn in this manner, are prohibited.

(3) Faddish and exaggerated styles to include shaved portions of the scalp other than the neckline, designs in the hair, unsecured ponytails and styles that are distinctly unbalanced or lopsided are prohibited. Multiple braiding and buns are authorized. If hair extensions are used in the braiding of the hair, the extensions must have the same general appearance as the individual's natural hair. Braided hairstyles will be conservative, and conform to other guidelines listed herein.

(4) Barrettes, combs, rubber bands, etc. are authorized, if concealed by the hair. Inconspicuous hairpins and bobby pins, if required, are authorized. Hairnets will not be worn unless authorized for a specific type of duty.

(5) Cosmetics. Cosmetics are authorized for wear in uniform. It shall be applied conservatively and must complement the individual's complexion and skin tone. Exaggerated or faddish cosmetic styles are considered inappropriate and shall not be tolerated. Non-eccentric lipstick and nail polish colors, to include colorless nail polish are authorized for wear with the uniform. Fingernails with multiple colors and decorative ornamentation are considered eccentric and may **not** be worn. Nail length, to include false nails, will be no longer than 1/4 inch from the tip of the finger.

(6) Jewelry. The only jewelry permitted is watches, medical items, religious medallions, wedding ring, class or Young Marines ring. All jewelry will be removed for physical training activities. Small, polished ball, or round stud earrings, (post, screw-on, or clip), not to exceed six millimeters (about 1/4 inch) in diameter, may be worn with any uniform. When worn, earrings will fit tightly against, and will not extend below, the earlobe. Only one earring will be worn on or in each earlobe in the lowest hole.

b) **The Young Marines Alternative Uniform**. When requested to wear the alternative uniform by the unit commander, the above standards do not apply with the exception of sub

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paragraph (6) Jewelry.

**9. Standards for Optional Young Marine Uniforms**

Young Marines Service Uniforms. All Young Marines Service Uniforms are optional and **not** required for Young Marines and Adult members. Young Marines and Adult members are authorized to wear Young Marine modified equivalent uniforms of U. S. Marine Corps Alpha, Bravo, and Charlie uniforms as described below. There is no Young Marines version of the U.S. Marine Corps Dress Blues Uniform or its variants. The Dress Blue Uniform or any variation of this uniform is not authorized for wear by Young Marines or Adult Members. However, Marines and former Marines may wear this uniform as authorized by the Marine Corps Uniform regulations and the Department of the Navy regulations.

- a. Service "A". This uniform is appropriate for formal and semi-formal occasions.
- 1) Service Cover with the Young Marines Disc Insignia, a solid gold colored anodized brass emblem depicting the Young Marine logo, placed over the insignia slot located on the left side of the cover. Adult members who are former Marines are authorized to replace the Young Marines disc insignia with the brass-cover emblem with the Silver Eagle, Globe and Anchor attached.
  - 2) Service Coat with the Young Marine shoulder patch worn on the left sleeve with the unit designation arc centered above the patch on the shoulder seam. Young Marines shall wear the Disc Insignia, a solid gold colored anodized brass emblem depicting the Young Marines logo on the collars over each insignia slot. Adult members who are former Marines are authorized to replace the Young Marines disc insignia with the brass-collar emblems with the Silver Eagle, Globe and Anchor attached.
  - 3) Khaki long sleeve shirt with rank insignia on each collar. Females may wear either the long or short sleeve khaki shirt and green neck tab with this uniform. Adult members replace the rank insignia with the appropriate Young Marines disc insignia.
  - 4) Khaki Tie and gold-plated or anodized Tie Clasp. The Tie Clasp may not exceed ¼-inch in length. Young Marines and Adult member are authorized to wear the USMC Officer, Staff Noncommissioned Officer or Enlisted Tie Clasps as part of the Young Marine Service uniform.
  - 5) Black socks of synthetic or natural materials or a composite both.
  - 6) Black dress shoes must be approved for wear by the unit commander prior to purchase. The shoes shall be of commercial black leather or synthetic semi-gloss or high gloss (patent) finish. Shoes consisting of double/platform soles or heels or metal heel or toe plates are prohibited.
- b. Service "B". This uniform is prescribed for formations, parades or ceremonies in temperate climates from November through March. This uniform should not be worn for formal or semi-formal social events. It is the same as the Alpha uniform except that the Service coat is not worn and the long sleeve khaki shirt must have the Young Marine shoulder patch worn on the left sleeve with the unit designation arc centered above the patch on the shoulder seam. Adult members replace the rank insignia with the appropriate Young Marines brass-collar insignia.
- c. Service "C". This uniform is prescribed for formations, parades or ceremonies in temperate climates from April through October. This uniform is authorized year-round in consistently warm climates and the tropics. It is the same as the Service "B" except that the long sleeve khaki shirt and tie or green neck tab is replaced by the short sleeve khaki shirt. The short sleeve khaki shirt must have the Young Marine shoulder patch worn on the left sleeve with the unit designation arc centered above the patch on the shoulder seam. Adult members replace the rank insignia with the appropriate Young Marines brass-collar insignia.

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10. Other Optional Uniform Items.

- a. Service Sweater (woolly pulley). May be worn at the individual's option as a component of the Service Bravo or Charlie uniforms. May also be worn under the camouflage uniform.
- b. Tanker Jacket. May be worn at the individual's option as a component of the Service Bravo or Charlie uniforms. When worn the jacket will be zipped at least to the top (i.e., the highest point) of the external slash pockets. When worn with the sweater, the sleeves and the waistband of the sweater will be rolled up or under to ensure they do not extend below the jacket's sleeves/waistband. The tanker jacket will not be worn with nametapes. However, the Young Marine shoulder patch and Unit arc should be worn below the wearer's left shoulder seam. Plastic or metal chevrons are to be worn on the shoulder straps. The single point will be inboard and placed so that it is an equal distance from the front and rear edges of the shoulder straps with the lowest point of the insignia's outer edge 3/4 inch from the armhole seam.
- c. Field Jacket. Is intended for wear with the utility uniform. When issued, it should be the principal outer garment worn with utilities. The wearing of nametapes on the field jacket will be at the discretion of the Unit Commander. However, the Young Marine shoulder patch and Unit arc should be worn below the left shoulder seam. The camouflage Gortex field jacket is also authorized for wear. When wearing the Gortex field jacket the Young Marine shoulder patch and Unit arc should be worn below the left shoulder seam.
- d. All Weather Coat (AWC). The AWC may be worn with the Service or Camouflage uniforms. It may be worn with or without the liner at the individual's option. Plastic or metal chevrons are to be worn vertically, on each side of the collar with the single point up and the center of the insignia on a line bisecting the angle of the point of the collar. The lower outside edge of the insignia will be equally spaced 1/2 inch from both sides of the collar. The AWC will not be worn with nametapes. However, the Young Marine shoulder patch and Unit arc should be worn below the left shoulder seam.
- e. Scarf. Young Marines may wear the green wool scarf when the AWC, Tanker Jacket or Field Jacket is worn with the Service or Utility uniform. When worn, the scarf will overlap to form a "V" at the base of the throat, hiding the garment beneath.
- f. Gloves. Young Marines may wear or carry black leather, vinyl, cloth or knit gloves with the Service or Camouflage Utility uniform.

11. Uniform Marking.

- a. Web Belt. On inside only, near the buckle end.
- b. Cover. Inside on the sweatband.
- c. Blouse. Inside on the neckband.
- d. Drawers. Outside below the waistband, near the front.
- e. Gloves. Inside at the wrist.
- f. Necktie. On the inside of the neck loop.
- g. Dress Shirts and Undershirts. Inside back, on neckband.
- h. Shoes/Boots. Inside near the top.
- i. Socks. Outside on top of the foot.

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- j. Sweater. Stamped on manufacturing label or use marking tape/label sewed on inside the back of sweater, below the neckband, with thread to match the sweater.
  - k. Trousers; Skirts; Slacks. Inside near the top.
  - l. PT Shorts. Inside immediately below the waistband.
  - m. Bag, Duffel. On the outside of the bottom of the bag.
12. Initial Issue from National Headquarters. All new Young Marine Recruits and new Registered Adults receive at no charge the following items:
- a. Young Marines
    - i. Upon Registration:
      - 1. 1-Young Marine Activity Guide (8, 9 and 10 year olds only)
      - 2. 1-Young Marines Basic Guidebook (Young Marines only)
    - ii. Upon graduation (database must be updated and invoice submitted):
      - 1. 1-Red National Young Marines T-Shirt
      - 2. 1-Belt Set (Web belt, brass buckle, and a pair of boot bands)
      - 3. 1-Young Marines OD Breast Patch
      - 4. 1-Young Marines Shoulder Patch
      - 5. 1-Camouflage Cover
  - b. Adults – Upon approval by NHQ
    - 1. 1-Unit Arch
    - 2. 1-Unit Commander Arch
    - 3. 1-**Black** National Young Marines **Staff** T-Shirt
    - 4. 1-Belt Set (Web belt, brass buckle, and a pair of boot bands)
    - 5. 1-Young Marines OD Breast Patch
    - 6. 1-Young Marines Shoulder Patch
    - 7. 1-Camouflage Cover

All other uniform items used in the Young Marines program must be purchased from the National Headquarters or other designated source approved by the Unit Commander.