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This supplement implements and extends the guidance of Air Force Instruction (AFI) 36-801, 29 April 1994. It standardizes the civilian uniform worn by Air Force Reserve Command civilian fire protection personnel. It clarifies and modifies the requirements as appropriate to ensure the safety of firefighters. The AFI is printed word-for-word without editorial review. Air Force Reserve Command supplementary material is indicated by "" in boldface type. This supplement describes Air Force Reserve Command procedures to be used in conjunction with the basic instruction. Upon receipt of this integrated supplement discard the Air Force basic.

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Chapter 4

NOTE: Where an option is permitted within the AFI or supplement, such as color, the uniform must be standard within each fire department. Specify these options in a department operating instruction or local supplement.)

4.1.

4.1.1. (Added) Definitions:

4.1.1.1. (Added) Fire Officer--fire chief, assistant chiefs for operations, assistant chief for technical services, assistant chief for training, and station chiefs.

4.1.1.2. (Added) Firefighter--personnel assigned duties as firefighter, nozzleman, handlineman, hoseman, driver operator, or lead firefighter/crew chief.

4.1.1.3. (Added) Operations Personnel--Firefighters, lead firefighters, station chiefs, and fire alarm center operators.

4.4.1. (Added) Unauthorized Wear and Uniform Items. Wear the uniform properly at all times. This AFI and supplement authorizes all uniform items. Uniform items may be worn as or with civilian clothing when it is not recognizable as a component of the uniform.

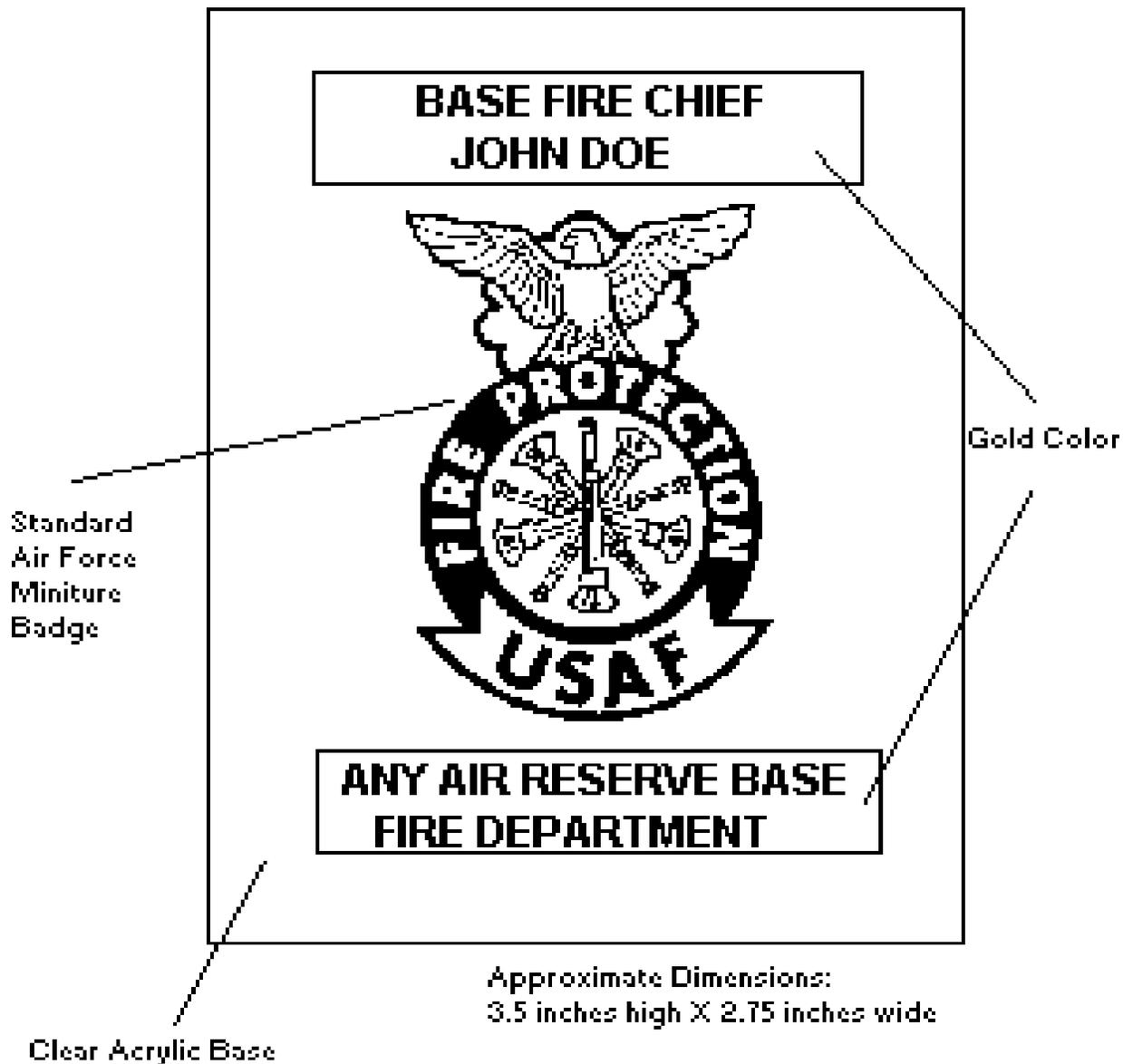
4.4.2. (Added) Exceptions to Uniform Wear. Within the fire station and immediately adjacent to the fire station, members may remove the uniform shirt during normal duty hours when the required undershirt is worn (see paragraph 4.5.14 (Added)). They may also remove the uniform shirt when performing manual fire related duties away from the fire station area which do not require direct public contact. Wear fitness clothing instead of the uniform when performing physical fitness exercise. Within the fire station during non-duty hours, the fire chief may permit wear of appropriate exercise attire. However, only the clothing specified in paragraph 4.3 may be worn under protective clothing.

4.5.6. Fire Alarm Center supervisors wear white shirts.

4.5.8.1. Fire Chief and Assistant Chiefs wear white caps.

4.5.12. The AFRC optional fire chief's uniform is black blazer with gray pants. Blazer is single breasted, two-button style with gold buttons. Wear a pocket tab (see figure 4.5) with black tie and white shirt, black (conservative style) shoes, and black socks. Do not wear a cap with the optional uniform. Wear a black belt with conservative buckle. Do not wear uniform insignia except a tie tack or pin symbolizing the rank or field.

Figure 4.5. (Added) Pocket Tab.



4.5.13. The maximum tag size in AFRC is 5/8 by 2-3/4 inches.

4.5.14. (Added) Undershirt. Wear a T-shirt style undershirt, with or without pockets. Exposed portions of the shirt are white, blue, or black as determined by the fire chief. Include a logo on the front over the left breast, no larger than 3-inches square (optional). As a local option, the fire chief may approve an alternative logo for employees represented by the bargaining unit. However, the logo must conform to the same dimensions. The local department patch is recommended as the logo. Print (optional) the name of the fire department (for example "Dobbins ARB Fire Department") in block letters across the back of the

shirt. The print does not exceed 2 inches in height with a 3/4-inch stroke. The logo and printing are of a contrasting color and standard within the department.

4.5.15. (Added) Socks. Exposed portion of socks is black.

4.5.15.1. (Added) Hose. Hose is neutral or skin color nylon that extends above the bottom of the skirt or pants.

4.5.16. (Added) Footwear. Shoes for operations personnel (excluding alarm room operators) are black low cut or chukka style safety shoes. Shoes for all other personnel are black, plain toe, conservative style dress shoes.

4.5.17. (Added) Optional Gloves. Gloves are conservative style in colors of gray, black, or blue.

4.5.18. (Added) Optional Scarf. Scarves are conservative style in colors of gray, black, or blue.

4.5.19. (Added) Optional Cold Weather Accessories. Ski masks or other cold weather dress are conservative style. Colors are gray, black, or blue.

4.5.20. (Added) Monogram. A monogram is above the right breast pocket, within 1/2 inch of the pocket flap. The color of the monogram matches the uniform pants, and is 1/2 to 3/4 inch block letters. The monogram includes the last name. With approval of the fire chief, the first name or initial may also be included.

4.5.21. (Added) Skirt. The skirt is constructed of the same material and color as that specified for trousers. It is conservative in style with side fasteners.

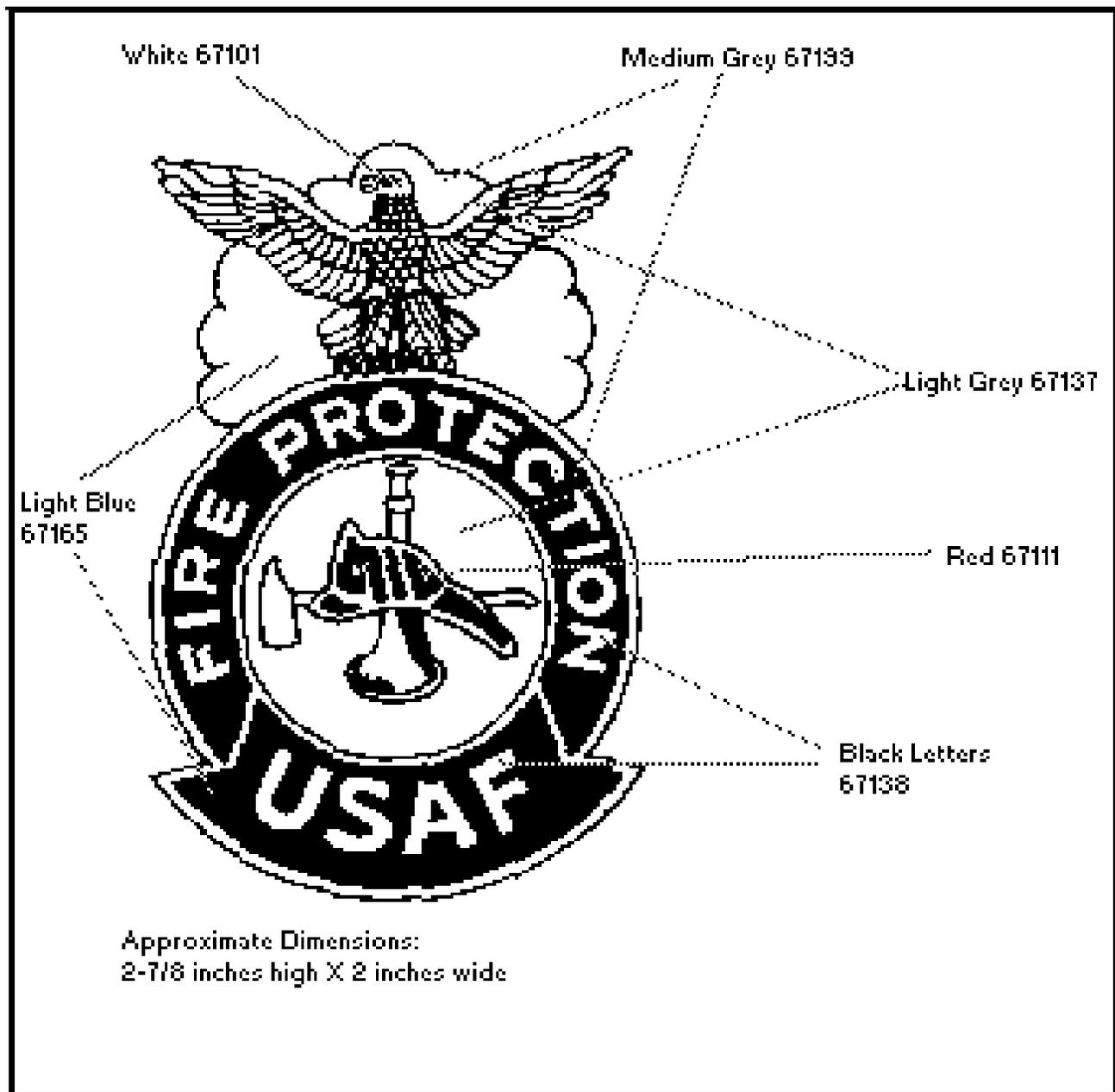
4.6.1. Female alarm center operators may wear skirts or pants.

4.7.1. The fire chief determines whether to wear the collar insignia or epaulets. Collar insignia are cloth for operations personnel (except alarm center operators) and metal for all others.

4.7.2. Bullet 7 (Added) Firefighter: Fire Department Scramble.

4.7.3. Baseball cap color matches the uniform pants and is standard within the department. Center the local fire department cloth patch on the front riser (optional). Center the individual's last name on the rear of the cap in 1/2 inch block letters (optional). Do not use other markings.

4.7.5. The badge is a cloth patch (see figure 4.6) on all work mode uniforms for operations personnel (alarm center operators excluded). All other personnel wear metal badges.

Figure 4.6. (Added) Fire Protection Patch.

4.7.6. Wear the local fire department patch on the left shoulder. Wear the American Flag patch on the right shoulder with the stripes trailing (blue field toward heart). The only other patches authorized are those closely related to fire protection duties such as EMT and HAZMAT. These patches must be standard in the department, including the location where affixed to the uniform.

4.7.7. Wear the ASNP on the coverall and work coat/jacket.

4.7.8. Wear the name tag on dress uniforms, the work uniform of alarm center operators, and the work uniform of all fire officers except station chiefs.

4.7.9. Do not use unauthorized insignia, patches, badges, or other decorations.

4.7.10.1. Fire officers defined in paragraph 4.1.1 will wear gold insignia. All others will wear silver/bright finish.

4.7.11. (Added) Undershirt. Wear the prescribed undershirt (see paragraph 4.5.14) whenever the uniform shirt is removed. Other types of undershirts may be worn so long as the exposed portion is the specified color and the uniform shirt is not removed.

4.7.11.1. (Added) Other Underwear. Wear appropriate underwear when in uniform. Male personnel wear undershorts of the boxer or brief style. Female personnel wear brassiere and undershorts (panties). Exercise shorts or swim wear may be substituted.

4.7.12. (Added) Monogram. Wear the monogram specified in paragraph 4.4.20 on the work uniform for all operations personnel except the alarm center operators.

4.10. (Added) Optional Formal Uniform. Wear the formal uniform for occasions when the work and dress uniforms do not reflect the proper image. Funerals, banquets, parades, award ceremonies, etc, are examples of such occasions.

4.10.1. (Added) Blouse. The blouse is a navy blue or black double or single breasted style with gold finish buttons for officers and silver finish buttons for all others. Wear the Air Force Fire Protection Badge centered above the left breast pocket. Do not wear the name tag. Wear the American Flag and local fire department patch as prescribed in paragraph 4.7.6.

4.10.2. (Added) Trousers/Skirts. Trousers and skirts will match the blouse. Trousers are dress style without cuffs. Wear skirts specified in paragraph 4.5.21.

4.10.3. (Added) Shirt. Wear only a white, long sleeve shirt with military creases. Wear the name tag and local fire department patch and the American Flag as prescribed in paragraph 4.7.6.

4.10.4. (Added) Tie. The tie is solid black.

4.10.5. (Added) Shoes. Shoes are plain toe, dress shoes with glossy finish. Females wear black, plain toe, glossy finish, with medium height heel.

4.10.6. (Added) Socks. All visible material will be black.

4.10.6.1. (Added) Optional Hose. Females wear neutral or natural skin color nylon hose that extends above the bottom of the skirt.

4.10.7. (Added) Cap. Wear the cap specified in paragraph 4.5.8 for outside ceremonies. Do not wear the cap for indoor ceremonies.

4.10.8. (Added) Insignia. Wear the collar and cap insignia specified in paragraphs 4.7 and 4.7.10.1, except that all collar brass is metal (appropriate color/finish) and the epaulet is not worn. The fire chief determines the size of insignia.

4.11. (Added) Jewelry. Only watches, rings, and uniform insignia are acceptable jewelry when in uniform. Do not wear bracelets, necklaces, earrings, and other jewelry. Watches worn by operations personnel (alarm center operators excluded) are of the type that will break if caught. Remove rings worn by these same personnel when on duty. When rings are authorized, limit the number to one per hand.

4.12. (Added) Dress and Appearance. Uniformed personnel present a higher standard of appearance than non-uniformed personnel. Uniforms are in good condition in terms of wear, color, and maintenance. Material is not torn or frayed and is not faded excessively as determined by the fire chief. Uniforms are wrinkle-free and clean at all times.

4.12.1. (Added) Hair. Hair style is modest; do not wear radical or trendy styles. Hair color may be any color considered natural and modest. Hair does not extend beyond the top of the collar more than one inch nor beyond the center of the ear on the side for males; hair may extend to the top of the collar on the side for females. Depth of hair or hair style does not interfere with the proper wear of the uniform or protective equipment. Sideburns may not extend below the lowest portion of the ear. Mustaches are neatly trimmed, do not extend more than ½ inch vertically below the top of the upper lip, or horizontally more than ¾ inch below the corner of the mouth. Do not wear goatees and other facial hair.

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