



COMMISSIONER CABINET Monthly Training



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District Commissioner

How To Perform A Uniform Inspection





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Set the Example!

- ▶ Perfect uniform score
- ▶ Modest display of badges
 - Commissioner's badges should reflect service at Council or District level
 - Consider no more than 9 knots
(BSA Guide to Awards & Insignia - P61)



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While Scouters may wear the insignia to which they are entitled, a ‘total display’ may not be in the best taste if the uniform looks overcrowded.

The Commissioner who wears only his Commissioner emblem, council shoulder patch and service star on his uniform is never guilty of poor taste.



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Who:

- ▶ Unit Commissioner
- ▶ Integral part of Annual Commissioner Service Plan



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Why:

- ▶ Encourages complete uniforms
- ▶ Persuade new members to obtain a uniform
- ▶ Develops unit pride



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When:

- ▶ Cub Scout Packs – **Fall**
 - ▶ Boy Scout Troops – **Spring & Fall**
 - ▶ Venturing Crews – **Never***
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- ▶ At the request of the unit leader



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How:

- ▶ Obtain a supply of inspection sheets
 - 2x each youth/adult
- ▶ Supply unit leader with a set
- ▶ Unit Leader distributes sheets 7–14 days before inspection
- ▶ Members are instructed to take home and check their uniforms



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How:

- ▶ Short & Snappy
- ▶ Friendly *but* dignified manner
- ▶ Use common sense
- ▶ Basic rule is neatness
- ▶ Positive experience



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How:

- ▶ Involve Pack or Troop leaders
 - SPL with you to inspect Troop
 - PL with you to inspect Patrol
 - DC with you for their Dens



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How:

- ▶ Use unit committee members as inspecting officers
 - Work in teams.
 - One check uniforms
 - One inspect insignia



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How:

- ▶ Use inspection sheets
- ▶ Find things to compliment during inspection
- ▶ Brief complimentary statement at end



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How:

- ▶ Follow up with unit leaders on any serious uniform issues
- ▶ Review leader uniforms in private



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What about!?

- ▶ Boys without Uniforms?
- ▶ Leaders who aren't properly uniformed
- ▶ When to wear the uniform
- ▶ When not to wear uniform



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What about!?

- ▶ Uniforms when travelling



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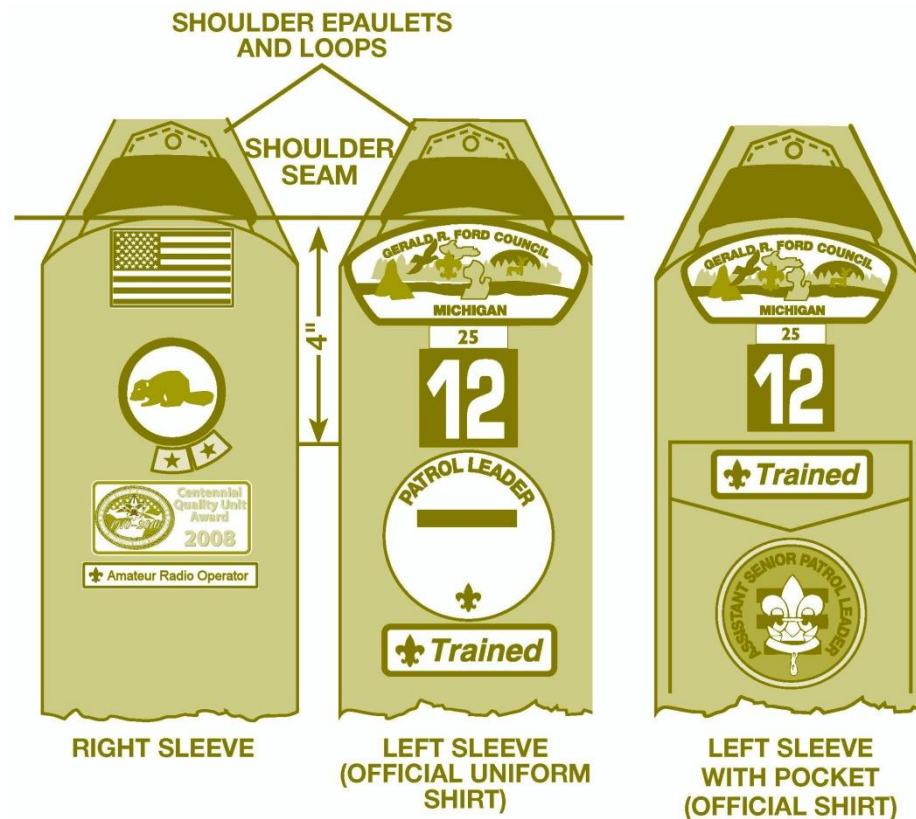
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Right sleeve



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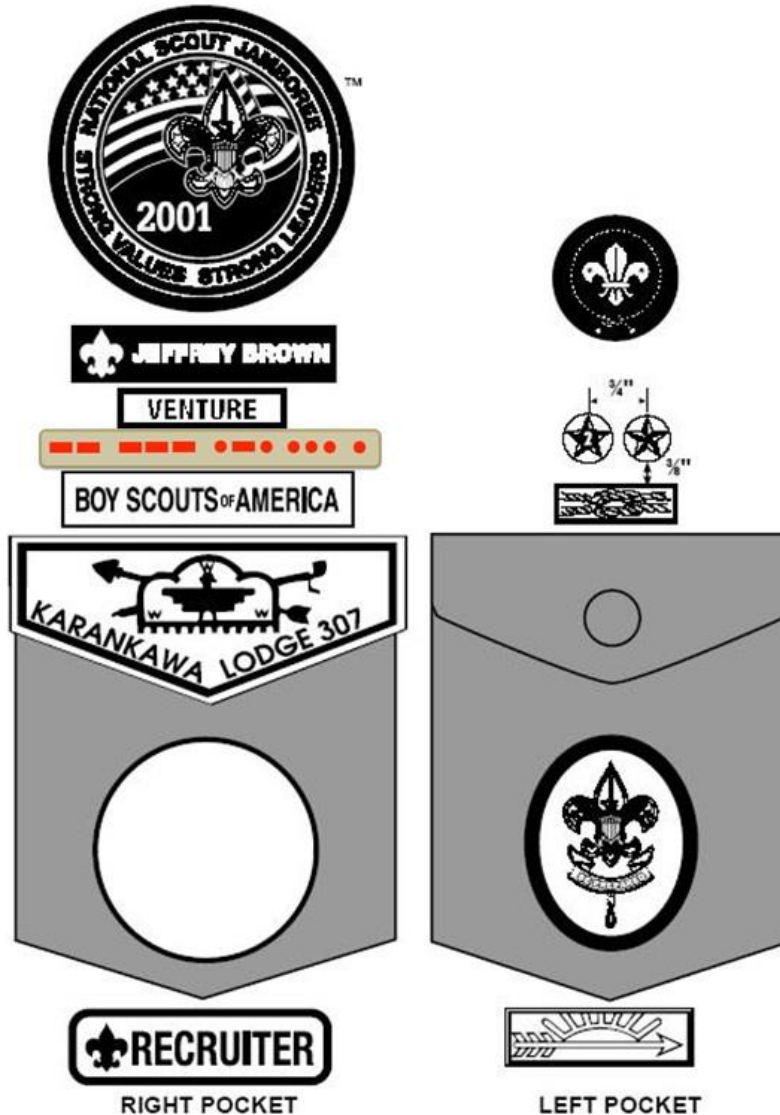


Extra points – where does this go?



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Right pocket



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Resources

- ▶ #33066 Guide to Awards & Insignia
- ▶ Uniform Inspection Sheets
 - 34282 Tiger–Wolf–Bear
 - 34760 Webelos
 - 34283 Boy Scout–Varsity
 - 34048 Leader



Questions?



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