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## FILI CLASS B UNIFORM

### PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish the correct manner of wearing the FILI Class B uniform. The basic requirement is to ensure that the uniform is worn in accordance with Army regulations, but must be distinctly different so as to set it apart from the regular Army uniform. The FILI Class B Uniform is distinctly different as it relates to headgear, tie, and nameplate.

### 1.0 HEADGEAR:

1.1 The authorized headgear worn by members of the FILI will be the Scottish glengarry with FILI badge, and Clan Gordon flash. Officers wear a red hackle, enlisted wear a red (top) and white (bottom) hackle, a retired officer or NCO with at least 20 years of service holding a leadership position is awarded a gold hackle. The winner of the Major's Annual Rifle Shoot is awarded a dark blue hackle. A black hackle is worn when the FILI is in mourning.

1.2 The glengarry will be the standard military style with red, black, and white dicing.

1.3 The glengarry is a private purchase item, and can be obtained on-line. Consult with the First Sergeant if there are any questions concerning the proper design of the glengarry.

1.4 The FILI glengarry badge and flash can be purchased from the FILI.

### 2.0 CLASS B SHIRT:

2.1 Only current Army regulation Class B, long and short sleeve shirts will be worn.

2.2 Long sleeve shirts may be worn all year, but must be worn with the tie. Ribbons may also be worn.

2.3 Short sleeve shirts may be worn July-September, no tie required, and no ribbons are worn.

2.4 Class B shirts are to be cleaned and pressed.

2.5 The shirt is a private purchase item which may be obtained on line, at Fort Bragg, or a thrift shop.

### 3.0 TIE:

3.1 The official tie worn by the FILI is modern Clan Gordon tartan.

3.2 The modern Clan Gordon tartan tie is a tribute to our first Commander, Captain Robert Adam.

3.3 Ties may be purchased from the FILI, or private vendor.

### 4.0 NAME PLATE:

4.1 The name plate follows the Army guidelines in all respects except the color. Army nameplates are black; FILI nameplates are red. They are worn on the right side of the shirt.

4.2 The authorized FILI nameplates are red laminated plastic, 1 inch by 3 inches, 1/16 inch thick with white border. Lettering is block-type, indented, 3/8 inch in height and centered on the plate.

4.3 Only last names are used on the nameplates.

4.4 No punctuation symbols, or special characters are authorized.

4.5 Nameplates are private purchase items. The First Sergeant will provide the current vendor information.

### 5.0 DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA (DUI):

5.1 The DUI is a metallic heraldic badge worn by the FILI representing our ties to the 119<sup>th</sup> Infantry. It is a symbol of honor and tradition.

5.2 The DUI is worn on the right side of the shirt, ¼ inch above the Outstanding Unit Citation.

5.3 For additional information on the DUI refer to the FILI Policy on Medals and Ribbons.

5.4 The DUI may be purchased from the FILI.

### 6.0 NCONG OUTSTANDING UNIT CITATION:

6.1 The FILI was awarded the NCONG Outstanding Unit Citation by the Adjutant General on 17 February 1994, for outstanding and meritorious service.

6.2 The official order with attached names of personnel assigned to the FILI at the time this citation was awarded is filed in individual personnel files located in the Adjutant's Office.

6.3 This citation honors NCONG units that carry out exceptional service so as to set themselves apart from other units.

6.4 The Outstanding Unit Citation ribbon is gray with a thin vertical blue stripe and a thicker red stripe toward each edge proceeding outward. It features a silver frame with a leaf pattern.

6.5 The Outstanding Unit Citation is worn centered 1/8 inches above the right breast pocket.

6.6 The Outstanding Unit Citation may be purchased from the FILI.

#### 7.0 SERVICE RIBBONS:

7.1 Service Ribbons are worn on the left side of the class B shirt.

7.2 Service Ribbons are worn in order of precedence from wearer's right to left. Refer to FILI Policy on Medals and Service Ribbons.

7.3 Service Ribbons are worn in one or more rows with 1/8 inch between rows.

7.4 No more than three (3) Service Ribbons are worn on one row.

7.5 FILI personnel are not required to wear service ribbons, however, if they do, it must be in accordance with this policy.

7.6 Service Ribbons will be purchased from the FILI.

#### 8.0 CLASS B TROUSERS:

8.1 Only Army regulation trousers will be worn by members of the FILI.

8.2 Trousers are straight-legged, without cuffs, with side and hip pockets.

8.3 Only General Officers wear dark blue trousers; all other personnel will wear light blue.

8.4 Ornamental gold braid is 1/2 inch and worn on each outside seam of the trouser leg, from the bottom of the waistband to the bottom of the trouser leg.

8.5 Trousers are a private purchase item and may be obtained on line or at army surplus or thrift shops.

#### 9.0 BELT AND BUCKLE:

9.1 The Army regulation belt and buckle will be worn. The belt is black cotton web with brass tip, and the standard issue brass buckle.

9.2 The belt is worn so that the tipped end passes through the buckle to the wearers left. The tipped end will extend beyond the end of the buckle so that only the brass tip is visible, and no fabric portion of the belt can be seen beyond the buckle. The plain end (no tip) of the belt may extend beyond the keeper portion of the inside of the buckle, as long as it is not visible when worn.

9.3 The brass buckle and brass tip of the belt will be highly shined when worn.

9.4 The face of the brass buckle will be plain without any design or applied insignia.

9.5 Belt and buckle are private purchase items that can be obtained on-line or at military surplus stores.

#### 10.0 SHOULDER MARKS or RANK TABS:

10.1 Only regulation Army shoulder marks are to be worn on the shoulders.

10.2 Officer's shoulder marks have a black background with a 1/8 inch gold stripe below embroidered grade insignia.

10.3 Non-Commissioned Officer shoulder marks are black background, with no gold stripe, and gold colored grade insignia.

10.4 The former shoulder marks for the class B uniform had a green background, and are not authorized for wear on the FILI uniform.

10.5 Either large or small regulation shoulder marks may be worn to ensure that the buttons are completely visible and that it lays flat on the shoulder and not scrunched up.

10.6 Shoulder marks are a private purchase item and may be obtained on-line or at a surplus store.

#### 11.0 ARMY SWEATERS:

11.1 The authorized Army issue black pull over sweater can be worn with the FILI Class B Uniform. This is the only sweater authorized for wear with the FILI Class B Uniform.

11.2 Service Ribbons will not be worn on the sweater.

11.3 A place on the right side of the sweater is designated for name tag, Outstanding Unit Citation, and Distinctive Unit Insignia.

11.4 Shoulder Marks will be worn on the epaulets.

11.5 Sweaters are a private purchase item and may be obtained on-line, surplus stores, or thrift shops.

#### 12.0 SOCKS:

12.1 Socks will be black in color.

12.2 No ankle socks or socks that extend further than the calves will be worn.

12.3 No designs will be printed on the socks, only solid black socks are authorized.

12.4 Socks are a private purchase item and may be obtained from clothing stores.

#### 13.0 FOOTWEAR:

13.1 Footwear will be black leather, Oxford style, with at least three (3) eyelets.

13.2 Footwear will be plain with no designs in the shoe material.

13.3 Footwear is a private purchase item, and may be obtained at clothing stores, on-line, surplus stores, or thrift shops.

#### 14.0 GIG LINE:

14.1 The "Gig Line" on a military uniform refers to the alignment of the buttons, zipper, and belt buckle on the Class B Uniform. It is considered a sign of attention to detail. The gig line is used to ensure a sharp, professional appearance.

14.2 When wearing the Class B Uniform, members of the FILI will maintain the gig line which will reflect pride in the unit.

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