

First Class – Part One

Revision Sheet - Uniform

It is vital that you look after your uniform when it is handed to you, as the uniform remains the property of the RAF and you will be expected to return it when it becomes time for you to leave the Air Training Corps. Listed below are the key items of uniform that will be given to you when you pass First Class, Part One. Make sure you read the care instructions before you wash or iron them and do ask a member of staff or a senior cadet if you have any queries about how to wear or care for your uniform.

Uniform Items

- Trousers or Skirt
- Jumper
- Beret with Air Cadet badge
- Dark blue (aka 'Working Blue') Shirt
- Light blue (aka 'Wedgewood') Shirt
- Black Tie
- Belt
- Brassard
- Air Training Corps cloth badge
- 2028 Squadron cloth badge

You may also be issued with DPMs, or camouflage, uniform, but this is dependent upon the Warrant Officer and supplies available.

Socks & Tights

Cadets will be expected to provide their own socks or tights. Male cadets must wear black socks. Female cadets must wear 15 Denier black tights with their skirts at all times (ie- this is not dependent upon the weather). Sometimes female cadets wear uniform trousers in which case they would be expected to wear black socks as well.

Shoes & Boots

Cadets will generally be expected to supply their own shoes and boots. Suppliers such as *Cadet Direct* will be able to help with this. DPM boots must be polished to a dull shine, mens' parade shoes must be polished to a shine all over and a high shine on the toe-caps. Womens' parade shoes do not have a toe-cap so must be polished to a shine all over, although some cadets create a higher shine area on the toe of the shoe. Be aware that these high shine areas are liable to cracking if they are bent or flexed.

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When to wear what

Cadets will be able to consult the Training programme (on the board or the Squadron website) to see what dress is required for each parade. The CO will announce when cadets are to start or stop wearing their jumpers. Cadets are expected to arrive attired in the correct uniform at all times, no excuses. The four categories of dress are:

- Working Blues – dark blue shirt, jumper in the winter months
- Wedgewoods – light blue shirt, tie, jumper in the winter months
- DPMs – camouflage uniform
- Civvies – your own clothes. This is generally the option on social nights