

ARTICLE VII

Uniforms, Badges, Salaries, Etc.

Section 701. Uniforms.

The only standard parts of the uniforms shall be as follows:

- A. Hats:** Regulation hat with name of state below braid and number of Pup Tent above braid. Name of the Pup Tent can be added at extra cost. Block lettering and block letters; name of state shall not be abbreviated. **Seam Squirrel Hat:** shall have embroidered or felt block lettering as desired on one side only, with state below braid, with Cootie emblem on each side over braid. "SEAM SQUIRREL" above braid with number above that. The year or years of service shall be added between the Pup Tent number and "SEAM SQUIRREL". Semi-metal trimmings around emblem. **Grand Officer Hat:** Name of state below braid. "GRAND" to appear on the hat. The year or years of service shall be added above "GRAND". Cootie emblem on each side over the braid. Metal trimmings and rhinestones in the upper corners. **Supreme Officers' Hats:** the same as Grand only "MOC" on the front. Hat quality must be 100 percent wool, 16 ounce material or better. The **SUPREME COMMANDER** of the organization shall wear a hat symbolic of his/her office, which shall be of gold colored felt; lettered and trimmed with red embroidery work and with rhinestones, lettered to show clearly the years they have served. Supreme Commanders who have completed their term of office may continue to wear the gold hat with their dates of service in that position should they choose to.
- For the convenience and affordability of New Atoms seeking to enter the Seams of a Pup Tent and used as a recruiting tool as not to require a new Cootie not holding office in a Pup Tent to be required to purchase a "New Member Hat".
 - Official Hats would be required for Pup Tent Seam Squirrels, Blanket Bums, Hide Gimlets and C.C.D.B.'s of a Pup Tent and Grand Commanders, Senior Vice, Junior Vice and Quartermasters and Supreme Officers. Hats for all Cooties not covered above would be authorized if desired by the individual Cootie.
- B. Tassels:** According to the highest rank; all must be three and one-half (3-1/2) to five (5) inches. No Cootie shall wear more than one rank. Ranks to be as follows:
- a. **Green:** Cooties
 - b. **Black:** Pup Tent Officers, to revert to **Green with Black Knob** when retiring from office
 - c. **Black and White:** Past Pup Tent Seam Squirrels
 - d. **Green and White Mixed:** All District or Area Pup Tent Officers, to revert to former tassels when retiring from office
 - e. **Green and White Mixed with Black Knob:** Past District or Area Pup Tent Commanders
 - f. **White:** Grand Pup Tent Officers
 - g. **White with Black Knob:** Past Grand Line Officers; other Grand Officers revert to former tassels when retiring from office
 - h. **Purple:** Past Grand Commanders
 - i. **Red-White-Gold Mixed:** Supreme Commander
 - j. **Gold:** Supreme Council of Administration Members
 - k. **Gold with Black Knob:** Supreme appointed officers (other than Supreme Council Members)
 - l. **Red-White-Gold Mixed with Red Knob:** Past Supreme Commanders
 - m. **Red with Gold Knob:** Past Supreme Council Members
 - n. **Red with Black Knob:** Past Supreme Officers (other than Past Supreme Council Members)
 - o. **Black with Gold Knob:** All-Star Pup Tent Seam Squirrels, CCDB's and Hungry Cooties
 - p. **White with Gold Knob:** All-Star Grand Quartermasters and Adjutants
 - q. **Red-White-Blue Mixed:** All-Star Grand Commanders
 - r. All Pup Tent and Grand Appointive Officers, other than "line" class, shall revert to their former tassels. "Line" officers for this purpose shall be: all elective officers, Chief of Staff, Inspector, VFW Booster Chairperson and Adjutant, when applicable. **All tassels for Hospital Officers have been abolished.** Such Hospital Officers shall be designated by patches on hats or shirts and wear the tassel of the class of the office they are holding, as Pup Tent, District or Area Pup Tent, Grand Pup Tent of Supreme Pup Tent.