

Team Minot,

With winter here, I wanted to pass on a few uniform standards concerning the wear of cold weather gear to everyone.

- Watch Cap ((Knit) (Black or Navy Blue) w/BDUs) (Black or Sage Green w/ABUs) -- Commercial design. Wear when approved by installation commanders and only with authorized outer garments and service dress uniform. Grade insignia is not worn.
- APECS can be worn with Black or Sage Green liner. BDU Gore-Tex jacket will be worn with black liner only.
- Gortex/APECS pants must be worn with an authorized jacket/parka.
- Gloves or Mittens (black or sage green) -- With outer garments only. EXCEPTION: May wear with BDU/ABU without outer garments; leather, knitted, tricot or suede, or a combination of leather, knitted, tricot, and suede.
- Scarf (black) -- Tucked in with outer garments only, except sweater. Will not exceed 10 inches in width; all wool or cotton simplex, with or without napped surface.
- Earmuffs (Black) -- Black (commercial design of any material). With outer garments only and service dress uniform.
- Outer garments -- Worn outdoors only, remove in a work environment, except as noted below. Use good judgment in choosing appropriate garments for wear based on weather conditions and duties. May wear with civilian clothes if grade is removed.
- The sage green APECS liner is authorized as an outer garment to the ABU only.
- ABU pattern parkas are not authorized for wear. Only green or gray parkas are authorized.
- The BDU Gore-Tex jacket can be worn with the ABUs, but the APECS jacket cannot be worn with BDUs. \*\* The official AF message extending the wear of the BDU Gore-Tex jacket states only when no other options are available. Clothing sales has APECS jackets in stock. You will see a push from your leadership to purchase the APECS jackets with your clothing allowance.

Consult the AFI 36-2903 or the AF Portal Uniform Information page for updates. If all else fails and you can't find the answer, ask your First Sergeant.