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No. 55638/947-C
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FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO GENERAL ORDER NO. 179
DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 1931.

SUBJECT: UNIFORMS - BORDER PATROL.

In addition to, or as an alternative to, the overcoat prescribed in General Order No. 179, a sheepskin lined overcoat conforming to the following specifications is hereby authorized as part of the uniform of immigration patrol officers:

STYLE OF COAT

Style: Double breasted; four leaf collar; three buttons on each side, top buttons to be under collar; length of coat to extend to nine (9) inches above knee.

Color: Forestry green.

Material: Cravenetted moleskin or similar material.

Back Belt: To be one piece, two (2) inches wide, same material as coat; to be let inside seams without buttons.

Pockets: Two outside pockets to be cut through at a 45 degree angle, top point to be even with hip bone and to be bound with leather; to be fitted with slit through lining to permit reaching side arms worn beneath overcoat; slit to be fitted with tabs on inside of coat to permit fastening with buttons inside opening; one inside pocket on right side cut through lining and bound with leather; pocket linings to be of duck.

Coat Lining: To be of properly prepared sheepskin, wool side exposed.

Sleeve Lining: To be of standard lesterine.

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Collar: To be of Kersey, 26 oz. in weight and forrestry green in color; four (4) inches at ends and five (5) inches at center; a flap three (3) inches wide made same as collar will be fitted to join ends of collar by buttons when turned up to protect neck and throat.

Under Collar: To be of same material as body of coat.

Stitching: All seams to be lapped and double stitched one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) inch; edges to be stitched one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) inch.

Buttons: To be attached to coat by ring fasteners; eye-holes in cloth to be securely bound.

Badge Strap: Strap for official badge to be placed on left side two (2) inches above center button and midway between said button and sleeve seam.

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Approved:

W. W. HUSBAND
Second Assistant Secretary

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May 2, 1934.

SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO GENERAL ORDER NO. 179

SUBJECT: UNIFORMS - BORDER PATROL

The wearing of long trousers by border patrol officers in districts, numbers 6, 12, 14, 17 and 20, between April 1st and October 1st, is authorized. However, this authority shall extend only to districts where the wearing of long trousers is made universal.

S P E C I F I C A T I O N S

MATERIAL

Same material as present uniform: Mountain Clay Whipcord, 16 oz. weight, or wool gabardine cloth, 13 oz. weight.

COLOR

Forestry green.

STYLE OF TROUSERS

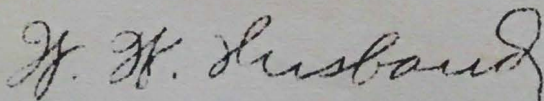
Long trousers without cuffs; to have two side, two hip and one watch pocket; the hip pockets to have flaps to button. Strips on side seam of trousers to be 1" wide of same material and color as the coat sleeve cuff. The waist band to be fitted with not less than six belt loops, and suspender buttons, the latter to be sewed inside.

All seams to be surged and overcast to prevent raveling. The inside seams of trousers and the seat seams to be double stitched. The seat seam to be not only double stitched but to have a strip of elastic tape sewed in with the stitching to prevent ripping out.



D. W. MacCORMACK,
Commissioner.

Approved:



W. W. HUSBAND,
Second Assistant Secretary.

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September 16, 1935.

THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO GENERAL ORDER NO. 179
DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 1931.

SUBJECT: UNIFORMS--BORDER PATROL.

The first supplement to General Order No. 179 is hereby rescinded.

In addition, or as an alternative, to the overcoat prescribed in General Order No. 179, a black horsehide coat conforming to the following specifications is hereby authorized as part of the uniform of patrol officers:

STYLE OF COAT

Double breasted; four button; notched peak lapel; fitted at the waist; sheep skin or cloth lined, at the option of the purchaser; normal length from five to seven inches above top of knee cap. Sam Browne belt may be worn with coat for carrying side-arm.

1. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS:

This coat shall conform to the specifications herein prescribed, and the following current Federal specifications shall form a part of this specification:

Federal Specification V-T-276 - Thread, Cotton.
Federal Specification CCC-T-191 - Textiles; Test Methods.
Federal Specification DDD-S-751 - Stitches; Seams and Stitching.

11. MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP:

1. Materials - The materials used in the coat shall conform to the following requirements:

a Horsehide Leather - The black horsehide leather shall be fast color, front quarter leather weighing not less than 3 ounces per square foot.

b Sheepskin Lining - The sheepskin lining shall be clipped, not less than 1/4 inch, No. 1 quality sheepskin.

bb Cloth Lining (optional) - 30 ounces, all wool, fast blue, Melton cloth.

c Fur Collar - The fur collar on the detachable collar shall be No. 1 quality brown laskin lambskin clipped not less than 1/4 inch.

d Corduroy Lining - The cotton Corduroy lining shall be black or dark blue, weighing not less than 12 ounces to the square yard, and shall have about 11 wales per inch.

e Sateen Lining - The sleeves shall be lined with olive drab, or black, sateen weighing about 8 ounces to the square yard. Pocket flaps and shoulder loops shall be lined with black sateen.

f Pockets - The left pocket shall be made of wool cloth weighing about 20 ounces per linear yard. The right pocket shall be made of black horsehide and 7-ounce cowhide leather to form a holster.

g Buttons - The buttons for fronts and shoulder loops shall be U. S. Border Patrol, metal shank buttons—45 ligne for fronts and 30-ligne for loops; stay buttons shall be 18-ligne, black, vegetable ivory buttons; collar shall be 30-ligne, black, vegetable ivory buttons.

h Thread - The thread used for seaming, stitching, and for sewing buttons shall be not finer than 20/4, silk-finished, fast color, black cotton thread; the thread for seaming linings not finer than 30/3 of proper color; the thread used for buttonholes shall be not finer than 40/3, fast color, black cotton thread.

2. Workmanship - The workmanship shall be first-class in all respects. The garments shall be clean, well-made, and free from loose ends of threads, in any part of garment.

111. DETAIL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Design - A double-breasted, 4-button, notched peak lapel, normal length, 5 to 7 inches above top of knee cap, black, full-grain horsehide leather, 3/4 sheepskin or 30 ounce Melton - and 1/4 corduroy-lined mackinaw coat; with a regular leather collar, and a detachable fur top extra collar, two lower pockets (one of cloth and the other of leather for holster), with flaps, shoulder loops, and worsted wind guards in sleeves.

2. Seams and Stitching - All seaming and stitching shall be done on lock stitch (Type 301) or double chain lock stitch (Type 401) machines, or both (Type 401--shall not be used on front edges, or where used shall not show the double chain stitch on the outside), with not less than 8 stitches per inch, using not finer than 20/4, black, silk-finished, cotton thread. All joining seams of the fronts, back, and sleeve (except armhole, and front edge of coat and collar, and lining seams) shall be stitched, taped, and double stitched. Front edges of coat, edge of coat collar, and edge of pocket flaps shall be double stitched 1/4 inch; bottom edge of coat shall be double stitched 1/4 inch, and piped with black tape. Armhole seam shall be lapped and double stitched. Buttonholes shall be well-worked over No. 8, soft-finish gimp with not finer than 40/3, black cotton thread. The stitch types shall conform to those shown in Federal Specifications DDD-S-751.

3. Cutting - The component parts of the garment shall each be cut in one piece except top and under-collar of the coat and the detachable extra collar. All component parts shall be uniform in color.

4. Fronts and Back - The fronts shall be cut with a peak lapel which shall have a well-worked buttonhole about $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches down from top edge. Coat front shall have four buttonholes; lower buttonholes shall be 12 inches from bottom of coat, the others evenly divided. Left front shall be provided with a horsehide leather badge loop $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches long by 1 inch wide (finished), fitted with two $1/4$ -inch eyelets, $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches apart, loop to be inserted with bottom edge on the breast line in the center of the front, between first and second buttonholes; edges of loop to be turned in and single stitched $1/8$ inch wide; ends of loop shall be inserted through a cut in the front and double stitched $1/4$ inch wide. Right and left fronts shall be provided with four, 45-ligne, U. S. Border Patrol, metal shank buttons; right front shall have one, 30-ligne, black vegetable ivory button placed under the collar to button left lapel, bottom button to be $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches from edge of coat and 12 inches from bottom, and the top button $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches from edge, with the other buttons evenly divided. The back shall be a 2-piece, center seam back. All 45-ligne buttons shall be sewed with an 18-ligne, black, vegetable ivory stay button on the under side.

5. Facings - Upper portion of facing shall be of horsehide and extend halfway between second and third buttonholes; lower portion shall be made of corduroy and shall extend from end of horsehide to bottom. Top of facing shall extend to shoulder seam and be caught in collar and shoulder seaming. Facings shall be joined to the sheepskin lining and skirt piece with the seam turned and raised $1/4$ inch. Lower portion of facing shall be lined with black wigan which shall be caught in the stitching of front edge and raising stitch of facing; facing to be not less than 6 inches wide at bottom.

6. Shoulder Loops - The shoulder loops made of horsehide, shall be 5 inches long and $1\frac{3}{4}$ wide (finished), cut square on button end, lined with black sateen and double stitched on the edges. They shall be placed over the shoulder seam and the outer end stitched in with the armhole seam. The top end shall be fitted with buttonhole and button $5/8$ inch from end.

7. Sleeves - The sleeves shall be plain, two-piece sleeves, lined with cotton sateen and provided with 4-inch (length) doubled, all worsted, ribbed knitted wind guards stitched in sleeve lining, with the bottom edge $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches above bottom edge of sleeves. Sleeve lining shall be turned up at bottom edge and single stitched through the outside leather sleeve $3/8$ inch. There shall be two, $1/4$ -inch, metal eyelets, 2 inches apart provided in the under-sleeve $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches below armhole seam and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches back from under-arm seam. Sleeves shall be set in armhole of coat with $1/4$ inch double stitching.

8. Lining - The sheepskin body lining shall extend to within 8 inches of the bottom of the coat with an extension of corduroy $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, seamed to the sheepskin, taped, and double stitched; bottom edge of corduroy shall be turned up, turned in, and double stitched. The lining at armhole shall be provided with an arc-shaped, horsehide leather shield, stitched on lower edge of armhole and sheepskin lining.

9. Pockets - The right pocket shall be formed into a revolver holster about $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, made of black horsehide leather and stiffened with not less than 7-ounce (sq. ft.), cowhide leather. The left pocket shall be made of 20-ounce (54-inch) woolen cloth, 9 inches long by $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide (finished), seamed, turned, and stitched. The pocket openings shall be faced with black horsehide, and fitted with a 7-inch by $2\frac{3}{4}$ inch (finished), horsehide leather flap on the outside, flap to be lined with black sateen or horsehide leather, and double stitched $\frac{1}{4}$ inch on the edges and to the coat. The ends of pockets to be securely tacked.

10. Collars - The coat collar shall be made of horsehide (top and under-collar) and measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide (center of back), and shall have a collar stand made of corduroy on the inside and leather on the outside. The detachable collar shall be made of laskin lamb on the outside and horsehide on the under side, and shall measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide (center of back), and shall be provided with five buttonholes in the under-collar and three buttonholes in a 2-inch, corduroy extension piece of the laskin lamb top collar; the buttonholes shall correspond with the buttons on the coat for buttoning the detachable extra collar. The leather under-collar of the detachable collar shall be faced on the inside with a 3-inch strip of black silesia. The detachable collar shall be made with the top edge open to fit over the coat collar. A horsehide leather strap $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches long by $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide (made of double thickness of the leather), with a buttonhole in each end, and single stitched on the edges, shall be provided for closing the front of collar when required.

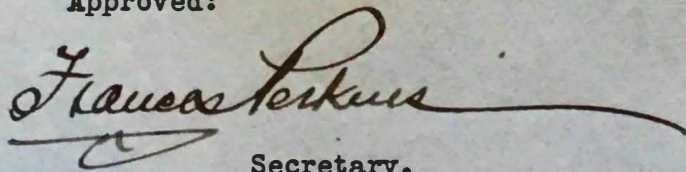
Federal Specifications V-T-276 - Thread, Cotton, and CCC-T-191 - Textiles; Test Methods, may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., at a cost of five cents each, and Federal Specification DDD-S-751 - Stitches; Seams and Stitching, may be obtained from the same source at a cost of twenty-five cents.

By direction of the Commissioner:



I. F. WIXON
Deputy Commissioner.

Approved: ^{R.S.}



Secretary.