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CNATRA INSTRUCTION 10126.1G

Subj: ISSUE AND CONTROL OF FLIGHT CLOTHING AND OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Ref: (a) NAVSUP PUB 1 Vol. 2, Supply Ashore, Chapter 5,
Paragraph 25841
(b) NAVAIR 00-35QH-2, Index B
(c) OPNAVINST 10126.4C
(d) DODINST 4160.21M

1. Purpose. To outline the responsibility of organizations and individuals regarding the receipt, issue, custody, and accountability of flight clothing and operational equipment (collectively referred to as flight gear) within the Naval Air Training Command (NATRACOM).

2. Cancellation. CNATRAININST 10126.1F

3. Background. Responsibilities for public property entrusted to the care of the Navy has been articulated by the Chief of Naval Operations in the form of specific directions for tightening up management controls and ensuring proper accountability is exercised over such property.

4. Discussion. Reference (a) provides general guidance for the control and accountability of flight gear. In addition, reference (a) also specifies Naval Aviators, Naval Flight Officers (NFOs), Student Naval Aviators (SNAs), Student Naval Flight Officers (SNFOs), Non-Pilot Crew Members, and Student Naval Aerospace Medicine Specialists, i.e., Naval Flight Surgeons, Naval Aerospace Physiologists, Naval Aerospace Experimental Psychologists and Naval Aerospace Optometrists to receive flight gear on a permanent issue basis, as well as the conditions under which flight gear may be issued on a temporary basis from authorized flight gear issue pools. Reference (b) prescribes the authorized quantities of various items of flight gear by individual activity. Reference (c) outlines procedures for issuance of leather flight jackets.

5. Responsibility. The following specific responsibilities are assigned within the NATRACOM:

a. Each individual issued flight gear is responsible for the care and preservation of the article(s), regardless of where it

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is issued or whether it is on a permanent or temporary basis. Issuing activities and personnel authorized to draw flight gear on a permanent basis shall ensure proper entries are made on the OPNAV 3760/32B, Record of Flight Equipment Issue. Permanent issue flight gear may be retained by the individual so long as assigned duties require its use. However, upon a change of duty no longer requiring its use, flight gear shall be turned in to the local Supply Department. Flight gear issued on a temporary basis from the station flight issue pool shall be promptly returned to that pool upon completion of the duty for which it was issued. Exceptions to this policy are issues made to foreign students under Foreign Military Sales (FMS) contracts. Flight gear costs are included in FMS contracts; therefore, the flight gear becomes the property of the foreign student upon receipt and is retained by that individual.

b. Squadron Commanding Officers (COs) or their designated representatives are responsible for:

(1) The establishment of a station (vice squadron) flight gear issue pool (when required) per references (a) and (b). Authorized items shall be stocked in sufficient quantities to satisfy operational requirements of the local station as well as tenant aviation activities. Controls shall be published to ensure all flight gear is properly marked showing it belongs to the pool and is limited to non-pilot crewmembers and personnel not in a permanent flight status. A listing of flight gear and quantities to be carried in the pool shall be forwarded to the Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) (N42) for approval. Once approved, any decrease in items or quantities may be approved locally (via Det. OIC); however, all increases shall be approved by CNATRA.

(2) Operation of a Flight Gear Issue Facility (FGIF) by the local Supply Department. Personnel assigned to this facility are responsible for the issue of flight gear to the station pool or to individuals authorized to draw items on a permanent basis, and for making appropriate entries in the Record of Flight Equipment Issue, OPNAV 3760/32B, contained in the individual's Flight Personnel Training and Qualification Jacket, OPNAV 3760/32. In order to ensure proper accountability, flight gear shall not be ordered from the supply system on a Direct Turn Over (DTO) basis. All flight gear shall be ordered by the local Supply Department, picked up on the official stock records, and then issued to the requiring individual(s) or flight gear issue pool. Procedures shall also be established for the strict control of flight gear turned in to the Supply Department by individuals or returned from the flight gear issue pool.

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Complete and accurate records of all flight gear issues and receipts shall be maintained by the station Supply Officer, including records of exchanges. A separate file shall be maintained for all flight gear survey actions as a result of loss or transfer from the Naval Aviation Schools Command (NAVAVSCOLSCOM) in Pensacola. Flight gear losses are handled in the same manner as losses of repairable spares and equipment.

c. Training Air Wing (TRAWING) Commanders and NAS COs shall:

(1) Ensure proper care and controls are exercised over flight gear while in the custody of assigned personnel.

(2) Direct personnel authorized to maintain flight gear to ensure proper entries are made on OPNAV 3760/32B, Record of Flight Equipment Issue.

(3) Ensure replacement leather flight jackets are requisitioned per reference (c) from NAS Pensacola Supply Customer Service Branch and the letter accompanying the requisition is personally signed by the CO. This responsibility cannot be delegated.

(4) Provide information on the items and quantities of flight gear carried in the station flight gear issue pool to the local supporting NASSs.

(5) Fund replacement of flight gear for assigned personnel authorized to draw items on a permanent basis. Documents for replacement shall be processed per reference (a).

(6) Ensure graduating aircrew depart the NATRACOM with all flight gear authorized per reference (b). If unable to provide all items authorized due to a supply shortage, provide the nomenclature of missing items to the receiving Fleet Replacement Squadron (FRS).

(7) Ensure students attrited from the flight program turn in all flight gear to the local Supply Department, including leather flight jackets.

d. Commander, TRAWINGs ONE, TWO, and SIX shall:

(1) Ensure each student selected for advanced jet training is correctly sized for a torso harness, G-suit, and oxygen mask prior to reporting to the FGIF.

(2) Record the correct size(s) on a locally manufactured sizing information card, and give to the student who will hand

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carry the card to their respective FGIF for issue of the size(s) indicated.

(3) Ensure card is retained in the squadron records where the student is assigned.

e. CO, NAVAVSCOLSCOM shall. Provide flight gear for use by personnel indoctrination flights, e.g., U.S. Naval Academy Midshipmen or individuals specifically designated by CNATRA, and establishing strict control and accountability for all flight gear received as provided in paragraph 6d.

6. Student Flight Gear Issue Procedures. All flight students shall receive their initial flight gear outfitting per reference (b) at the NAS Pensacola FGIF, except as modified below. NAVAVSCOLSCOM and other concerned activities shall coordinate directly with the NAS Pensacola FGIF to arrange schedules for students' initial outfitting to preclude processing delays. Due to occasional not in stocks at NAS Pensacola FGIF, an individual may not receive a full initial outfitting. Deficits in an individual's initial outfitting shall be requisitioned from the FGIF, once available, through the Training Squadron (TRARON) the individual is subsequently assigned.

a. Foreign Military and U.S. Coast Guard Students. These students shall be issued one Flyers Summer Jacket: CWU-36/P (sage green), and shall not be issued a Flyers Leather Jacket (G-1).

b. Pipeline Transition to Jet Training. Students transitioning to the jet training pipeline are required to exchange certain items of initial outfitting and draw additional items of flight gear. SNAs selected to serve in the E2/C2 community receive G-suits and lower oxygen hoses through TRAWING TWO flight gear pool on a temporary-loan basis for intermediate training. These exchanges and additional issues shall take place at the NAS Pensacola or NAS Corpus Christi FGIF. If, due to stock voids, the individual is not issued a complete set of jet flight gear, the procedures indicated above shall be followed.

c. Pipeline Transition to Rotary Wing Training. All students except Student Naval Aerospace Medicine Specialists transitioning to rotary wing training at NAS Whiting Field are required to exchange their fixed wing helmet for a rotary wing helmet. Student Naval Aerospace Medicine Specialists shall be issued and maintain both. The Fleet & Industrial Supply Center Detachment NAS Whiting Field shall stock rotary wing helmets in sufficient quantities to satisfy planned requirements. Rotary

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wing helmets issued to students shall be charged to the appropriate financial job order provided for initial outfitting.

d. Pipeline Training Changes. Students migrating from one training pipeline to another, e.g., SNA to SNFO, shall retain items required, turn-in excesses, and draw any new items required using the appropriate procedures contained herein.

e. Student Attrites. TRAWING Commanders shall ensure that students attrited from the flight program turn in all flight gear, including leather flight jackets, to the local FGIF. Supply Officers shall screen returned flight gear to determine if it is acceptable for reissue. Flight gear, which is excess to local requirements, but is acceptable for re-issue, shall be returned to the Supply Officer, NAS Pensacola (Code 510D). Flight gear (with the exception of flight gloves) that is determined to be unserviceable shall be packed and shipped to the Naval Survival Training Institute, Pensacola for reutilization during aircrew survival training. Flight gloves that are turned in to NAS Corpus Christi and NAS Kingsville shall be consolidated and retained by the NAS Corpus Christi Supply Officer and reissued to support area DOD, Justice, and Commerce Department Joint Security Operations as required. All leather flight jackets shall be returned to the Supply Officer, NAS Pensacola (Code 510D) with a copy of the DD 1348-1 indicating the name and Social Security Number (SSN) of the attrited student. Students' name shall be cleared from the Flight Jacket Tracking System at NAS Pensacola.

f. Pooling within the NATRACOM. Shortages of required flight gear may necessitate temporary pooling of certain items to support the student training pipeline. CNATRA (N42) shall be advised of this situation to allow an early resolution and the establishment of temporary pooling procedures. Notices of shortages should include pertinent facts to facilitate prompt decision and response. As material becomes available, the squadron or activity the student is assigned to shall fund for, and provide the deficient items on a permanent issue basis. Reimbursement shall be obtained as indicated above.

g. FRS Aircrew Missing Flight Gear. CNATRA is responsible for the initial outfitting of student aircrew. If graduating aircrew report to an FRS missing one or more items cited in reference (b), the FRS shall submit a naval message indicating the shortage to CNATRA (N42) using the following format:

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AIRCREW NAME	SSN	ITEM NOMEN	SIZE	COST	QTY	DATE RPTD	NATRACOM ACTY RPTD FROM
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If research indicates missing flight gear was not initially issued, CNATRA (N42) shall ensure NAS Pensacola FGIF forwards the material to the FRS Material Control Officer with a message informing the receiving FRS and CNATRA (N42) of the shipping data. If material is not readily available due to a supply shortage, reimbursable funding shall be provided by NAS Pensacola to the Type Commander (TYCOM) of the requesting FRS.

7. Flight Gear Authorized for Initial Outfitting of U.S. Air Force Student Pilots and Combat Systems Operators shall be per the CNATRA/AETC MOU.

8. Rotary Wing Instructor Pilots (IPs). Fleet rotary wing pilots ordered to CNATRA as T-34/T-44/T-6 IPs are authorized to store/maintain their rotary wing helmet and draw a fixed wing helmet on a temporary custody basis during fixed wing instructor tour. Fixed wing helmet shall be returned to FGIF prior to transfer.

9. Lost or Missing Flight Gear. COs within the NATRACOM shall ensure lost or missing flight gear items are surveyed per reference (a) and a copy of each survey forwarded to CNATRA (N42) for review. When loss or damage of government property occurs under circumstances which warrant disciplinary action, such action shall be taken under Article 108, Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Judge Advocate General (JAG) Manual, paragraph 0145, establishes a basis for voluntary restitution when an individual desires to assume pecuniary responsibility for the loss or damage. Voluntary restitution for lost articles shall be in the full amount of the price listed in the current Navy Management Data List; voluntary restitution for damaged articles shall be in the amount required to repair the article, not to exceed the current purchase price. Personnel losing or damaging flight gear may not be offered the alternative of disciplinary action or reimbursement, but reimbursement may be legally accepted if tendered. Voluntary reimbursement may be accepted by payment of cash using DD Form 1131 (Cash Collection Voucher), or by utilizing pay authorization adjustment procedures. The acceptance of voluntary reimbursement shall not prevent the CO from taking disciplinary action if deemed appropriate. Flight clothing, new and used, is government property, purchased for the purpose of outfitting naval aviation personnel. Aviation clothing shall not be sold to individuals except under the

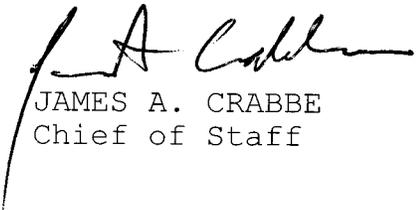
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disposal instructions as prescribed in reference (d) and authorized by the Naval Supply Systems Command. Accordingly, aviation clothing may not be purchased by military personnel for private use through the procedures prescribed for voluntary reimbursement to the government.

10. Determination of Requirements and Stock Levels. The stock records at NAS Pensacola and NAS Corpus Christi are to be coded to prevent an automatic excess; items experiencing no demand in three quarters or a sharp decrease in demand over three quarters shall be identified to CNATRA (N42) before any excess action is initiated. To minimize stock voids of flight gear, the Supply Officers of NAS Pensacola and NAS Corpus Christi shall review their respective stocks of flight gear for replenishment on a bi-weekly basis.

11. Forms. The forms required by this directive are available through normal supply channels:

- a. OPNAV 3760/32, Flight Personnel Training and Qualification Jacket
- b. OPNAV 3760/32B, Record of Flight Equipment Issue
- c. DD Form 1131, Cash Collection Voucher
- d. DD Form 1348-1, Requisition System Document


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