

This is a partial translation of the DV 010/0/005 - Types of Uniform and How to Wear Them. Not all pages were translated due to the nature of the translation program and the way the data translated out. Most of the pages missing are charts, diagrams or illustrations that are already available or well known to us already. If more specific information is thought to be in need of translation for quick reference, let me know and I can come up with something. Over time, I will eventually cover skipped areas with a useful translation.

Of good use is the translation of the table of contents and the appropriate pages. The translated pages are noted on the bottom of the page to match it up with the DV 010/0/005. Better versions of this will follow, but I hope this is of use to us that are not quite up to speed on reading German fluently.

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Introductory provision for DV 010/0/005

1. Service regulation 010/0/005 Types of uniforms and how to wear them, clothing regulations, is issued and comes into force on December 1st, 1986. At the same time, DV 010/0/005 Types of uniforms and how to wear them, clothing regulations, issued in 1983, becomes invalid, with the exception of Annexes 1 to 3. Annexes 1 to 3 of DV 010/0/005, issued in 1983, are to be incorporated into this DV 010/0/005 until it is reissued.

2.(1) The clothing regulations apply to:

- a) members of the NVA who are doing active military service or are reservists,
- b) members of the NVA reserve and former members of the NVA who are not in service, if they wear uniform.

(2) The clothing regulations also apply to members of the GDR border troops and, accordingly, to members of the civil defense who are in a service relationship under the Service Career Regulations - ZV.

3. The Deputy Minister and Head of the Rear Services is authorized to issue changes to these service regulations if necessary on the basis of confirmed changes to the types of uniforms and the way they are worn.

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General

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Note

This DV 010/0/005 Types of uniform and how to wear them, clothing regulations, year of issue 1986, including the outer title page, is to be exchanged for the old DV 010/0/005 Types of uniform and how to wear them, clothing regulations, year of issue 1983 (except attachments 1 to 3) contained in the flexible screw cover. Appendices 1 to 3 (pages 81 to 128) remain valid until further notice.

I. General principles

1. Members of the NVA, the border troops of the GDR and the civil defense (hereinafter referred to as army members) must wear the uniform specified for them.

2.(1) Members of the NVA and the border troops of the GDR in the Ministry of National Defense (MfNV), in the institutions directly subordinate to the MfNV, in the military commands and in the state institutions wear the uniform of the land forces (LaSK).

(2) When transferred to the offices mentioned in paragraph 1 from other branches of the NVA or the border troops of the GDR, these army members wear the uniform specified by the responsible chiefs, commanders and leaders.

(3) Members of the air forces of the LaSK wear the uniform of the air forces (LSK).

3. Officer students wear the uniform specified for them at the time of transfer to the training institution.

4. Non-commissioned officer, cadet and officer students must wear the uniform of the armed forces of the NVA, the border troops of the GDR or the civil defence to which the military training facility belongs. Participants in courses continue to wear the uniform as before the course began.

5.(1) The clothing and equipment (B/A) must correspond in form and design to the valid manufacturing regulations. The care, cleanliness and operational readiness of the B/A must be ensured at all times by the army members and monitored by their superiors. In doing so, the procedure must be in accordance with Directive No. 063/8/006 of the Head of the Clothing and Equipment Service on the organization, care and maintenance of clothing and equipment and the conduct of roll calls dated September 1, 1986.

(2) Rank insignia, service career insignia and special training insignia must be properly attached to the designated places on the uniform.

(3) It is not permitted to carry visible or protruding objects (ballpoint pens, etc.) in the outside pockets.

- 6.(1) The following periods for wearing clothing are specified:
- a) Summer period (Su) from April 16th to October 31st,
 - b) Transitional periods (Üb) from March 1st to April 15th and November 1st to November 30th,
 - c) Winter period (Wi) from December 1st to February 28th/29th.
- (2) The Deputy Minister and Chief of the General Staff is authorized to specify the times of the periods of wearing clothing according to the weather conditions.
- (3) In extreme weather conditions, the wearing of the field service uniform can be specified by order by commanders from the troop unit upwards.
- (4) In the People's Navy and the 6th Coastal Border Brigade, the wearing of the combat uniform during operations at sea can be specified by the commanders by order.

- 7.(1) In the period from 1 May to 30 September, the People's Navy, the 6th Coastal Border Brigade and the border boat groups of the GDR border troops must wear:
- a) the white cap cover for all ranks up to sea captain,
 - b) the white cap or white boat cover for female army members,
 - c) the cream-coloured cap cover. of admirals,
 - d) the cream-coloured cap cover (officers),
 - d) the light grey cap cover (admirals),
 - f) the cream-coloured cap (female members of the army),
 - g) the Kiel shirt, white, for dress and parade uniform.
- (2) The items mentioned in paragraph 1, letters d to f are only to be worn with the dress uniform.

- 8.(1) During the transitional periods and the winter period, the shirt blouse can be worn indoors instead of the uniform jacket and shirt.
- (2) The raincoat can be worn by professional NCO cadets, professional NCOs, cadets and officer cadets, cadets, officers, generals and admirals with the field service, service and staff service uniform, depending on the weather.

- 9.(1) During operations, the B/A is to be worn in accordance with the provisions in

K 063/3/001 Clothing and equipment, standards (combat complex), to be carried.
(2) The Minister's deputies and the chiefs directly subordinate to the Minister must make provisions on the manner in which individual weapons and equipment are to be carried and worn, as well as on the packing order of the assault pack, marching pack or marching suitcase for their areas.

10. Reservists of the NVA and the GDR border troops who have uniforms in their possession are entitled to wear the uniform on the occasions specified in the Reservist Regulations.

11.(1) For protocol events and honors, the type of uniform is to be specified in accordance with the provisions in the Protocol and Honors Regulations.

(2) The city commander of the capital of the GDR, Berlin, is authorized to determine the manner in which the uniforms of the honorary companies and other forces deployed to perform representative duties are to be worn on the basis of the order confirmed by the Minister for National Defense.

12. Sports clothing must be worn in accordance with the provisions of DV 010/0/002 Military Physical Training.

II. Types of uniform

General

13.(1) The following types of uniform are specified for the land forces, air forces and air defense, border troops of the GDR and civil defense:

- a) Field service uniform,
- b) Service uniform,
- c) Staff service uniform.
- d) Dress uniform,
- e) Parade uniform,
- f) Social uniform,
- g) Work uniform.

(2) The following types of uniform are specified for the People's Navy, the 6th Coastal Border Brigade and the border boat groups of the GDR border troops:

- a) Combat uniform,
- b) Field service uniform,
- c) Service uniform,
- d) Airborne uniform,
- e) Dress uniform,
- f) Parade uniform,
- g) Social uniform,
- h) Work uniform.

14.(1) The B/A that belong to each uniform type and the occasions on which the uniform types are worn are set out in the following tables.

(2) All B/A marked in brackets can be worn in addition to or instead of a similar item.

15.(1) The chiefs, commanders and leaders must enforce the wearing of uniforms in accordance with the provisions of this clothing regulation. In doing so, they must ensure that a uniform type of uniform based on the following tables is worn for training measures and for measures of closed military formations.

(2) Members of the armed forces and civilian employees may wear special clothing and additional clothing to the extent specified in K 063/3/001 and for the positions intended.

III. How to wear clothing and equipment

Headgear

16. The **peaked cap** should be worn so that the lower edge of the peak is at eyebrow height and the cap top forms a smooth surface. The cap ring or the cap bridge should not be removed.

17. The **flat cap** should be worn so that the edge of the cap band sits 2 fingers wide above the eyebrows on the left and 1 finger wide above the eyebrows on the right. The cap ring and the cap bridge should not be removed.

18. The **beret** should be worn so that the edge of the cap band sits 2 fingers wide above the eyebrows on the left and 1 finger wide above the eyebrows on the right and the right side of the cap part rests on the ear.

19. The **winter cap** should be worn so that the edge of the cap sits 1 finger wide above the eyebrows and over the ears. In temperatures below -10 °C, the ear flaps can be folded down. They must then be buttoned under the chin using the elastic band.

20. The **field cap** and the **flight cap** must be worn so that the edge of the cap sits one finger's width above the eyebrow on the right and three fingers' width above the left ear.

21. The **cap** must be worn so that the edge sits one finger's width above the eyebrow.

22. The **cockade** or **emblem** of the headgear must be positioned vertically above the bridge of the nose.

Outerwear

23. The **uniform coat** and **overcoat** must be worn with the collar open.

24. The **scarf** can be worn with the uniform coat or overcoat (except for parade uniform). It must be placed flat and visible between the collar of the uniform jacket and the uniform coat or overcoat.

25. The **summer coat** must be worn with the collar open and the ring belt closed. Female members of the army may wear the buttoned hood over their headgear in the rain. The button-on hood must be worn over the headgear.

26.(1) The **uniform jacket** of soldiers in basic military service as well as soldiers, non-commissioned officers and non-commissioned officer cadets on a temporary basis and in reserve military service must be worn with the service uniform, with a collar tie and closed collar.

(2) The **uniform dress** must be worn with an open collar. The neckerchief can be tucked into the neckline. The uniform dress must be worn with a neckerchief or tie under the summer coat or uniform coat.

27. The **Kiel shirt** must be tucked into the trousers.

28. The **shirt blouse** must be worn with an open collar. It must be worn with a closed collar and tie under the uniform jacket or summer coat. The shirt blouse can also be worn with a tie inside buildings after removing the uniform jacket or summer coat.

29. The **silver-grey shirt** of soldiers in basic military service as well as of soldiers, non-commissioned officers and non-commissioned officer cadets on a temporary basis and in reserve military service is to be worn with the starting uniform with an open collar and shoulder boards. Under the uniform jacket it is to be worn with a closed collar and tie and without shoulder boards.

30. The **uniform trousers** are to be worn so that the front cuff meets the footwear. If mid-calf boots are worn, the trouser legs are to be turned outwards from the back to the front and pulled into the mid-calf boots. If the uniform trousers are worn with low shoes, plain grey or black socks are to be worn (in the People's Navy, 6th Coastal Border Brigade and the border boat groups of the GDR border troops, only black socks are worn).

31. The **fold-over trousers** are to be worn so that the front cuff meets the footwear. The fold-over trousers are to be worn with a half-turn when worn with the parade uniform. To do this, the trouser legs must be folded outwards twice. The fold must be 4 cm wide and the bottom edge 18 cm from the boot sole. Black socks must be worn with the folded trousers.

32.(1) The **FDA summer jacket** must be worn with the collar open and the collar tie buttoned in. If the uniform is worn under the FDA summer jacket, the FDA summer jacket must be worn without Collar tie.

(2) The **trousers** of the **FDA, summer**, and the **FDA, winter**, must be worn over the boots. The hem must be adjusted using the buttons provided so that the trouser legs fit snugly against the boots.

33.(1) The **FDA, winter, jacket** must be worn with the collar closed. If the uniform is worn under the FDA, winter, the collar of the FDA, winter, jacket must be opened.

(2) The **faux fur collar** may only be worn with the FDA, winter, jacket in conjunction with the winter hat.

Additional clothing

34. The additional clothing may only be worn for training, for service in parks, workshops, medical facilities, kitchens, warehouses, at airfields, during repair and shipyard work on ships and boats, for border security and for guard duty, based on the relevant additional standards in K 063/3/001.

35. The **coated combination** must be worn for all very dirty work in parks, workshops, shipyards, on ships and boats, in petrol stations, collector charging stations, etc.

36. When riding the motorcycle, the motorcyclist must wear the **motorcycle suit** and the **helmet** for motorcyclists.

Equipment

37. The **steel helmet** must be worn so that it sits horizontally on the head and the front edge is at eyebrow height.

38. The **steel helmet camouflage net** must be worn for exercises and combat training where camouflage is required.

39. The **shoulder cord** must be attached to the right side of the uniform or dress jacket (for officers of the honor companies of the guard regiments also to the uniform coat) so that the lower curve of the longer braided cord ends at the waistline. The shoulder cord is to be attached as follows: The flap of the shoulder piece is to be pulled through the fastening loop on the uniform or dress jacket ...

(on the uniform collar) and then from below through the opening of the shoulder cord connector, whereby the longer braided cord and the longer smooth double cord are to be passed under the armpit. The shoulder cord is to be fastened with the small loop to the top button of the uniform jacket under the left front part and to the double-breasted uniform jacket and to the fastening button under the right lapel of the style on the formal jacket.

40.(1) The **representation cord** is to be worn only on command during central military ceremonies.

(2) Officers wear the shoulder cord instead of the representation cord.

(3) The representation cord is to be placed on the right side of the uniform jacket or uniform coat or overcoat so that the lower curve of the longer braided cord ends at the waist line. To do this, it is to be fastened as follows: The flap of the shoulder board or shoulder piece is to be pulled through the fastening loop on the uniform jacket or uniform coat and then from below through the opening of the connecting piece of the representation cord, whereby the longer braided cord is to be pulled under the armpit.

41.(1) The **belt** or **field sash** is to be worn at waist height over the uniform coat and uniform jacket between the 1st and 2nd buttons from the bottom (over the uniform coat and the overcoat of the People's Navy between the 2nd and 3rd buttons from the bottom).

(2) If soldiers in basic military service, as well as soldiers, non-commissioned officers and non-commissioned officer cadets on a temporary basis and in reserve military service, wear their starting uniform without a uniform jacket, the belt must be pulled through the loops on the waistband of the uniform trousers.

(3) If they are wearing a service uniform with breeches and shirt blouse (for the People's Navy with uniform trousers), the belt must be pulled through the loops on the shirt blouse.

42.(1) The **dagger** is to be worn as follows:

a) with the parade uniform on the field sash,

b) with the full-length formal dress without a uniform or summer coat, buckled under the hanger,

c) with the full-length formal dress with a uniform or summer coat, pulled through the loop (pocket or seam under the belt) on the hanger.

(2) The dagger must be worn so that the wrist and dagger handle are at the same height when the arm is hanging freely.

(3) The dagger may be put down in enclosed spaces.

43. The carrying frame may only be worn if equipment is being carried on the belt. It must be worn so that the straps are between the collar and the shoulder boards or epaulettes.

Field service and work uniform and wearing of buttons for epaulettes and shoulder boards

54.(1) Army members of the land forces, air forces and air defense, the border troops of the GDR and civil defense must wear epaulettes or shoulder boards on a stone gray fabric base with matt gray braid or flat cords and matt gray stars on field service and work uniforms and motorcycle suits. Members of the People's Navy wear colored epaulettes and shoulder boards on field service and work uniforms. Sailors and non-commissioned officers on temporary and reserve military service do not wear shoulder boards on their work uniform, except on their winter work uniform. (2) Buttons are to be worn with shoulder boards and epaulettes as follows: a) for colored shoulder boards and epaulettes of soldiers, non-commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers, cadets and officer cadets, cadets and officers of the land forces, air forces and air defense, border troops of the GDR and civil defense, silver-colored buttons, for generals gold-colored buttons 16 mm, for sailors, masts, non-commissioned officers, cadets and officer cadets, silver-colored buttons, for generals gold-colored buttons 16 mm, for sailors, masts, non-commissioned officers, cadets and officer cadets, silver-colored buttons, for ...

Officers on temporary duty and in reserve military service do not wear shoulder boards on their work uniform, except for their winter work uniform.

(2) Buttons are to be worn with shoulder boards and epaulettes as follows:

a) Silver-colored buttons are to be worn with colored shoulder boards and epaulettes for soldiers, non-commissioned officers, non-commissioned officer, cadet and officer cadets, ensigns and officers of the land forces, air forces and air defense, border troops of the GDR and civil defense.

16 mm gold-colored buttons for generals,

16 mm gold-colored anchor buttons for sailors, mates, non-commissioned officer, cadet and officer cadets, ensigns, officers and admirals of the People's Navy, the 6th Coastal Border Brigade and the border boat groups of the GDR Border Troops;

b) 16 mm matte gray buttons are to be worn with 16 mm matte gray shoulder boards and epaulettes.

Service career badges

- 66.**(1) The service career badges are to be worn by
- a) members of the People's Navy for the service career to which they belong (cadet officers, officer cadets, cadets and officers on both sleeves of the uniform or dress jacket),
 - b) members of the music corps, musicians and military music students,
 - c) members of the armed forces in military professions in the medical service and the military justice system,
 - d) admirals; 1 starfish on both sleeves of the uniform and dress jacket.

(2) Only 1 service career badge may be worn at a time.

The right to wear it extends to the duration of deployment in the respective service career.

(3) Service career badges may not be worn with the field service, shipboard and work uniform.

67. The service career badges of the land forces, air forces and air defense as well as border troops of the GDR consist of silver-gray embroidery on an oval base. The Asclepius staff and lyre are made of gold-colored material for officers. The lyre for soldiers and non-commissioned officers is made of silver-colored metal. Generals of the medical service wear the Asclepius staff embossed from silver-colored metal.

68. The service career badges of the land forces, air forces and air defense as well as border troops of the GDR are shown below.

69.(1) Swallow's nests for members of the music corps and for musicians consist of aluminum gee-mesh braid with a semi-circular base. Their diameter is 20 cm. The swallow's nests for members of the staff music corps also have 5 cm long silver-colored fringes attached.

(2) Service career badges for military music students consist of a silver-colored lyre and angle. The following are worn:

- a) in the 1st year of study 1 angle,
- b) in the 2nd year of study 2 angles,
- c) in the 3rd year of study 3 angles.

73. Special markings for members of the army:

a) Soldiers, sailors, non-commissioned officers and temporary petty officers must wear an obtuse angle open at the top on the right lower sleeve of the uniform jacket or the Kiel Bowie shirt, the uniform coat or the overcoat. The angles of the land forces, air forces and air defense, border troops of the GDR and civil defense are made of 15 mm wide aluminum spun braid on a stone grey cloth base, those of the People's Navy for blue clothing are made of gold-colored spun braid on blue cloth and for white clothing are made of blue wool embroidery on white nettle.

b) Ensigns wear a sleeve badge with the state coat of arms of the GDR on a cloth base, stone grey, with silver-colored Border (on a cloth backing, blue, with gold-colored border in the People's Navy).

c) Post commanders of the border troops of the GDR and the 6th Border Brigade Coast must wear a horizontal stripe on both shoulder boards, 3 cm from the lower edge, on all types of uniform, except the working uniform. The horizontal stripe consists of a 2 cm wide cotton band in the color of the light green.

Marksman's cord

74. Soldiers, NCO cadets, NCOs, cadets and officer cadets who have acquired the marksman's cord wear it on their uniform jacket from the right shoulder board loop to the top button of the open lapel; female army members wear it to the button specially attached next to the 1st buttonhole.

75. Sailors, NCO cadets and temporary petty officers of the People's Navy wear the marksman's cord they have acquired on a 20 mm anchor button from the right shoulder seam to the Kiel knot.

76. The marksman's cord is only to be worn with the parade and dress uniform.

77. The marksman's cord is no longer to be worn when appointed to the rank of ensign or to an officer.

78. If the wearer of the marksman's cord leaves active military service, the marksman's cord remains in the possession of the departing officer.

Sleeve stripes

79. Non-commissioned officers and ensigns confirmed as sergeants must wear sleeve stripes on both lower sleeves of their uniform jacket and uniform coat, 13 cm from the sleeve hem.

80. The sleeve stripes are made of 15 mm wide aluminum braid; in the People's Navy, they are made of gold-colored braid.

81.(1) Members of the guard regiments, the border troops of the GDR (except the coastal border brigade), the civil defense, the "Erich Weinert Ensembles" and military music students wear sleeve stripes made of 30 mm wide base fabric (GDR border troops light green: Malino civil defense).

(2) The edges of the sleeve stripes are decorated with silver-colored embroidery. The following inscription is in the middle:

- a) FRIEDRICH ENGELS GUARD REGIMENT
- b) NVA GUARD REGIMENT
- c) GDR BORDER TROOPS
- d) CIVIL DEFENSE
- e) Erich Weinert Ensemble ("Weinert" on a red rhombus, with a note in front of it)
- f) Military music students.

(3) Generals and marshals of the GDR do not wear sleeve stripes.

82.(1) The sleeve stripes are to be attached around the entire left lower sleeve of the uniform jacket and uniform coat, 13 cm from the sleeve hem.

(2) Non-commissioned officers and ensigns confirmed as sergeants must wear the sleeve stripes 15 cm from the sleeve hem above the sleeve band made of 15 mm wide aluminum braid.

83. Members of the NVA and the GDR border troops who wear sleeve stripes wear the service career badge 17 cm from the sleeve hem.

84.(1) Sailors and mates of the border boat groups of the GDR border troops wear the sleeve stripe only on their topcoat.

(2) Ensigns and officers of the border boat groups of the GDR border troops wear the sleeve stripe 6.5 cm from the sleeve hem.

VI. Awards and how to wear them

General

85.(1). Wearing awards awarded on parade, dress and social uniforms is compulsory.

(2) Professional non-commissioned officers, ensigns and officers must wear their awards on their service and staff uniforms.

State awards

86. On the left side of the chest are worn in the following order:

a) above all state awards

- Karl Marx Order,
- "Golden Star" medal for the honorary title "Hero of the GDR";

b) below

- Honorary title "Hero of Labor",
- Order "Star of Friendship of Peoples",
- Patriotic Order of Merit;

c) in the following order

- Scharnhorst Order,
- Battle Order "For Services to People and Fatherland";
- Order "Banner of Labor", orders of other states,
- Medal for participation in the armed struggles of the German working class in the years 1918 to 1923,
- Medal for fighters against fascism 1933 to 1945,
- Hans Beimler Medal,
- Clara Zetkin Medal,
- Medal of Merit of the GDR,
- Honorary titles of the NVA, the border troops of the GDR and the civil defense,
- Other honorary titles of the GDR,
- Medal of Merit of the NVA, the border troops of the GDR and the civil defense,
- Honorary badge "For services in reservist training",
- Other medals of merit of the GDR,
- Honorary title "Activist of socialist labor",
- Honorary title "Collective of socialist labor",
- Medals of merit of other states,
- Medal of the Brotherhood in Arms of the NVA,
- Medals of the Brotherhood in Arms and military commemorative medals from other countries,
- other medals from the GDR,
- anniversary medal "30 years of the NVA",
- medals for loyal service from the NVA, the border troops of the GDR and the civil defense,
- medals for loyal service in other areas.

87. On the right side of the chest, the following are worn in the following order:

a) above all state awards

Honorary title "Flying Cosmonaut of the GDR";

b) below

Honorary title "Outstanding People's Scientist",

- National Prize of the GDR,

Friedrich Engels Prize,

Theodor Körner Prize,

other prizes of the GDR,

Non-state awards

88.(1) On the right side of the chest, the graduate badge is worn above all awards.

(2) If several graduate badges have been acquired, only the badge of the higher educational institution is to be worn.

(3) To the right of or below the awards, the following are worn on the right side of the chest:

a) Achievement badges of the NVA and the GDR border troops,

b) Best badges of the NVA, the GDR border troops and the civil defense,

c) Classification badges,

d) Parachute jump badges,

e) Reservist badges, -,

f) Awards of the party and social bodies or organizations of the GDR.

89. If, according to the applicable provisions, several classification badges or a badge at several levels have been awarded, only the highest level of the badge that corresponds to the main function is to be worn.

90. The FDJ badge is worn by members of the FDJ on the right breast pocket or, in the case of uniform jackets without a breast pocket, at the same height.

91. The GDR sports badge or the military sports badge is worn on the fold of the right breast pocket or, in the case of uniform jackets without a breast pocket, at the same height. Holders of the military sports badge do not wear any GDR sports badges on their uniform.

92. Badges and plaques issued for special occasions may be worn 10 days before and on the occasion in question on the flap of the left breast pocket or, in the case of uniform jackets without a breast pocket, at the same height.

State and non-state awards from other socialist or friendly states

93. State and non-state awards from other socialist or friendly states that are awarded to citizens of the GDR for services in the fight against fascism, for peace and for the construction of socialism and communism may be worn. In terms of their importance, they are generally classified according to the awards of the GDR.

How to wear

94. Awards are to be worn:

a) on the service, staff service and dress uniforms as well as on the small dress uniform

as an interim clasp or as an order, medal or badge for which no interim clasp is awarded,

- as orders, medals, decorations or badges of non-state awards as well as badges and plaques issued on special occasions;

b) on the parade uniform and on the full dress uniform and for soldiers, NCO cadets, NCOs, professional NCO cadets, professional NCOs, cadets and officer cadets as well as ensigns on the dress uniform on the corresponding occasions (as with full dress uniform) on a ribbon.

95.(1) The interim clasps or orders, medals or badges for which no interim clasps are awarded are to be worn on the left or right side of the chest, starting from the inside, above the breast pocket, according to their importance (order of performance), but not more than 4 in a row.

(2) If there are more than 4 awards, the interim clasps are to be staggered as follows:

- a) 5 awards in 2 rows,
of which 3 in the bottom row and 2 in the middle above,
- b) 6 awards in 2 rows,
of which 3 in the bottom row and 3 above,
- c) 7 awards in 2 rows
of which 4 in the bottom row and 3 in the middle above,
- d) 8 awards in 2 rows.
of which 4 in the bottom row and 4 above,
- e) 9 awards in 3 rows
of which 4 in the bottom row, 3 in the middle row
and 2 in the middle above,
- f) 10 awards in 3 rows
of which 4 in the bottom row, 4 in the middle row and 2 in the middle above, etc.

(3) Orders and medals are to be worn as interim clasps in a maximum of 4 rows. If the number of orders and medals awarded exceeds this limit, only the highest of the respective orders and medals are to be worn. The Minister for National Defense makes any deviating provisions for a limited group of people.

96. On the full dress suit, the 4 highest orders and medals awarded may only be worn on a ribbon in one row.

97. On the parade uniform, a maximum of 8 orders and medals may be worn on a ribbon in 2 rows.

98.(1) The following are worn on the shirt blouse:

- a) the interim clasps of the 4 highest awards awarded in a row above the flap of the left breast pocket, above this the Karl Marx Order and the "Golden Star" medal for the honorary title "Hero of the GDR",
- b) the graduate badge above the right breast pocket.

(2) Female members of the army do not wear any awards on their shirt blouse or uniform.

99.(1) Awards on ribbons are to be worn side by side, half-covered. The width of the uniform jacket pocket must not be exceeded. (2) Awards are to be attached so that their upper edges are at the same height and the largest award is flush with the lower edge of the breast pocket flap.

- (3) An award must be worn in the middle above the breast pocket.
- (4) If there are 2 rows, the ribbons of the awards in the lower row must be covered by the medals in the 1st row (see Appendix 2).
- (5) In the case of 2-row uniform jackets and uniform jackets for female army members of the NVA and the GDR border troops, one row must not be wider than 12 cm. The inner award in the upper row must hang with its upper edge 8 cm vertically below the buttonhole of the lapel.

100. Awards not mentioned are to be classified and worn in accordance with the provisions of the regulations on the awarding and wearing of state awards.

Transitional regulations in connection with the change in the equipment and the way clothing and equipment are worn

1.(1) In connection with the equipment with the white shirt blouse, the following is specified:

- a) Male members of the army in military professions will receive as an additional item from 1988 to 1990:
 - 1 dress shirt, grey or white,
 - 1 shirt blouse, silver grey or white.
- b) From 1991, the annual additional item will be 2 shirt blouses.
- c) From 1988 to 1990, the basic equipment will be
 - 1 dress shirt, white,
 - 1 dress shirt, grey,
 - 2 shirt blouses, silver grey,
 - 1 shirt blouse, white.
- d) From 1991, the uniform will be provided with
 - 3 shirt blouses, silver grey,
 - 2 shirt blouses, white,
- e) Generals will be provided with
 - 2 shirt blouses, white, in 1988 and from 1989 annually with
 - 1 shirt blouse, white, as a supplement.

(2) Until the white shirt blouse is provided, the light grey shirt blouse can be worn with the starting uniform No. 2, or the cream-colored shirt blouse for generals. After that, the light grey shirt blouse can be worn with the staff service uniform.

2. Female members of the army can again wear the winter hat without a peak from 1 December 1986.

3. In connection with the change to the collars of the uniform coats, it is stipulated that the previous uniform coats can be worn until 1995. The uniform coats for generals remain unchanged.

4. For generals, the double-breasted stone-grey uniform jacket will no longer be required from December 1st, 1986. Instead, the single-breasted uniform jacket must be worn with the service, staff, dress and parade uniforms. Any double-breasted stone-grey uniform jackets still in possession can be worn with the staff uniform until November 30th, 1988.