

Commander's Call Topics



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New Revisions to Dress & Appearance (AFI 36-2903)

Revisions include, *but are not limited to*:

PRIORITY TOPIC OF THE WEEK

- Approval to wear anodized medals on mess dress uniforms
- Wear instructions for Gold Star and Next of Kin Lapel Buttons
- Clarified care and wear instructions for ABUs
- Clarified that mock necks are authorized with ABU
- Approval for use of olive drab, sage green, and ABU patterns as authorized colors for gym bags AND for backpacks with any uniform combination
- To see the rest of the revisions, go to AFI 36-2903 ([Link](#))

OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST

- Air Force making steps to help Airmen obtain a Commercial Drivers License ([AF.mil Article](#))
- Latest civilian hiring freeze guidance as of 9 February ([AFPC Article](#))
- Officer developmental education application window open ([AFPC Article](#))
- Civilian Development: The Air Force created a new leadership development course designed specifically for GS-12 and GS-13 civilians and equivalent pay schedules ([AFPC Article](#))

CYBER “DID YOU KNOW?”

- The White House reported in 2016, there was a 10% increase in reported malware, phishing, and other suspicious network activity.
- Cyber Incident’s have jumped 1,300% in 10 years.

FEBRUARY OBSERVANCES

- **February is National Black History Month.** Talking points stressing the importance of diversity and inclusion along with Airmen Breaking Barriers since 1947 are available on the [Tell the Air Force Story site](#). Public Affairs Offices also have access to a Communication Toolkit available for use.
- **Medical Messaging:** February is [Heart Health Month](#) and [Dental Health Month](#).

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