

Footwear Guide

I have been issued one (1) pair of Tan Combat Boots and one (1) pair Black Leather Low Quarters by the Tailor Shop. If I decide not to join the Corps of Cadets, I understand that I will be billed by the Virginia Tech Accounts Receivable Department for the boots and shoes. The amount will be \$69.30 for the boots and \$80.70 for the shoes.

Important Notes:

- 1) Once boots and shoes have been worn, it is not feasible to swap sizes. Therefore, it is important that the sizes you have selected fit correctly. Replacements will be at the cost listed above.
- 2) Proper fit and break-in are required to prevent blisters during New Cadet Week and the start of classes.
- 3) If you return to school without the boots and shoes, they must be shipped next-day-air to you. The Tailor Shop does not have the inventory to lend boots and shoes.
- 4) Should you request to exchange size via mail, shipping charges will be added to your Accounts Receivable Account.

This is just a sample. You will sign this form when you are issued your footwear.

Date _____

Name _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL

Student ID Number _____

Home Address _____

Signature _____

SAMPLE ONLY

Corps of Cadets Boots

The boots you are being issued are lightweight jungle style boots. This style will help reduce foot problems from the start. If you follow the suggestions below, you will reduce your chances of major problems during New Cadet Week.

1. Find the style of socks that you are most comfortable wearing. These should provide cushioning between your foot and the boot while keeping your foot snug inside the boot. The heel is a common problem area for blisters and you should ensure that you have a proper fit here. Boot socks can be black or olive drab.
2. The more you wear the boots before returning for New Cadet Week, the better your feet will deal with the demands of the week.
3. As a precaution, bring mole skin. This will help relieve some of the discomforts of blisters in the event they occur.
4. You will receive instructions on care and maintenance during New Cadet Week.
5. Do not forget to pack your boots for the return to campus!

Corps of Cadets Low Quarters

The low quarters you are being issued when you attend Summe Orientation are black leather dress shoes. You will need to follow the guidelines below to achieve the best results for breaking in the shoes and to minimize foot problems when you arrive back to campus for New Cadet Week and the start of classes.

1. ***DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SHINE.*** This is very important. You will receive proper training when you return.
2. Find the style of socks that you are most comfortable wearing. These should provide cushioning between your foot and the shoe while keeping your foot snug. The heel is a common problem area for blisters and you should ensure that you have a proper fit here. Dress socks must be black.
3. The more you wear the shoes before returning for New Cadet Week, the better your feet will deal with the demands of the week and the start of classes.
4. As a precaution, bring mole skin. This will help relieve some of the discomforts of blisters in the event they occur.
5. Wear as much as you can, but at same time take extreme caution as not to scuff or scratch the leather. When wearing the shoes, do not drag the heel and wear it down as you walk.
6. Do not forget to pack your low quarters for the return to campus!