

ANNEX E
TRENTON OFFICERS' MESS BYLAWS
5 MAY 2022

TRENTON OFFICERS' MESS DRESS REGULATIONS

1. This document identifies the acceptable orders of civilian dress for the Officers' Mess.
2. The definitions of civilian dress are as follows:

a. Formal:

- i) tuxedo with black tie,
- ii) floor-length ball gown,
- iii) below the knee cocktail dress, or
- iv) tuxedo equivalent.

b. Semi-Formal:

- i) suit;
- ii) sports jacket, slacks, with or without a tie or ascot,
- iii) knee length dress, or
- iv) slacks or knee length skirt and blouse or suit jacket.

c. Casual:

- i) collared sports shirt with:
 - (1) dress slacks,
 - (2) Bermuda shorts with an inseam of at least 6", or
 - (3) knee-length skirt; or
- ii) Sun dress.

Notes:

1. No under garments shall be plainly visible.
2. Bare midriffs are not allowed; midsections shall be covered.
3. Appropriate footwear includes all forms of footwear except athletic wear, i.e. running shoes. Sandals with or without socks may be worn. Sports/shower-type sandals are not permitted.

- d. Relaxed: Includes jeans or shorts, and clean and shoes or sandals (in good repair), as well as tasteful t-shirts (no collar required). Worn, dirty or dishevelled clothing, sports clothing, and sports sandals are prohibited.

3. Weekly Dress Routine:

- a. Casual Dress in all areas except for specified occasions as promulgated in the mess calendar or otherwise directed. Casual dress is permitted until the commencement of the function, then in accordance with published dress code in the areas so designated; and

- b. Relaxed Dress may be worn in the Oak Room, but is prohibited when functions are being held.
- 4. Military Dress - The following is the order of military uniform dress for the Officers' Mess:
 - a. Mess Dinners, Formal Dances, Service Balls – Unless otherwise directed, mess kit, or in the case of Officers within the first months of commissioning, mess dress interim.
 - b. Lower Bar – Dress of the day.
 - c. Upper Bar/Lounge – Dress of the day.
 - d. Dining Room – Dress of the day.
- 5. Flight suits and environmental clothing may be worn in the Lower Bar at any time and in the Upper Bar when used for TGIT. They may be worn in the Dining Room only when it is designated as the all ranks feeding facility.
- 6. Forbidden Clothing Items:
 - a. Hats may not be worn at any time inside the mess, with exception of hats explicitly required as part of themes or entertainment events when authorized by the PMC.
 - b. Coats such as winter coats or raincoats shall not be worn within the mess lounges or dining room.