



Kern County Sheriff's Office Policies and Procedures

TITLE: CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR UNIFORMS (OPTIONAL)		NO: K-0470	
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Crime Scene Investigators are authorized to wear a uniform pursuant to this policy and at the appropriate section manager's authorization. Additionally, Crime Scene Investigators are subject to the provisions in the K Section of this manual as applicable.

The duties of Crime Scene Investigators often include climbing into small places, working in difficult and inconvenient surroundings and in environments that are sometimes not conducive to the wearing of traditional office clothing as detailed in the non-uniform dress policy. Crime Scene Investigators are therefore authorized to wear the following *optional* Crime Scene Investigator Uniform:

- Sheriff's Office Polo Shirt, black or forest green in color
 - First initial and last name will be embroidered on the right chest of the shirt in yellow-gold letters to match the color of the Sheriff's Office Logo (See Sheriff's Office Insignia KCSOPPM K-0301).
 - The lettering "CSI" will go above the name on the right chest of the shirt.
- Black TDU trousers:
 - Black TDU style Ripstop pants or similar.
- Belt:
 - Black trouser belt
- Black socks
- Black footwear: General Specifications
- Headwear Baseball Cap:
 - To be low crown baseball style cap with full panel head coverage
 - No trucker style or mesh backed panels
 - Black with front embroidered "SHERIFF" in 2" high yellow-gold block letters. This Baseball Style Cap is authorized for wear until October 1, 2026, at which time the cap listed below will be the only baseball style cap authorized for wear.
 - Black with approved Sheriff badge logo on brown leather patch sewn into center of cap $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the base of the bill
- Headwear Watch Cap
 - To be plain watch cap with full head coverage
 - Black with "SHERIFF" embroidered in 1", yellow-gold block letters in the center of flap (where applicable) or $\frac{3}{4}$ " from front center base of cap. This Watch Cap is authorized for wear until October 1, 2026, at which time the OD Green Watch Cap listed below will be the only watch cap authorized for wear.
 - Black with approved Sheriff badge logo on brown leather patch sewn into center of cap $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the base of the bill

- Hair:
 - Will be kept clean, neatly groomed, and maintained in a conservative style at all times while on duty. Hair shall not be worn in a manner which will jeopardize the safety to the employee or interfere in the performance of their duties.

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