



Kern County Sheriff's Office
Policies and Procedures

TITLE: SWAT TEAM UNIFORMS		NO: K-475	
APPROVED: Donny Youngblood, Sheriff-Coroner			
EFFECTIVE: July 15, 2009	REVIEWED: 08/30/2018	REVISED: 00/00/00	UPDATED: 08/30/2018

SWAT team members possess and wear specific uniforms in order to ensure team uniformity and present a professional appearance to the public. SWAT uniforms shall clearly identify SWAT team members as law enforcement officers. It is recognized that certain tactical considerations or conditions may require covert or stealth movement. The uniforms worn by SWAT personnel in such situations may be modified as appropriate.

The Standard SWAT uniform shall consist of the following:

- Cap: baseball-style cap or boonie-style hat as authorized by the SWAT Commander.
- Shirt: 511 Brand TDU MultiCam 190 Ripstop (or similar manufacturer) long sleeve, shirt with subdued SWAT shoulder patches, and a subdued U.S. Flag affixed below the left shoulder patch.
 - The shirt shall be worn "tucked in" to the uniform trousers.
 - A short sleeve MultiCam shirt is acceptable as an alternative to the long sleeve, so long as the subdued SWAT shoulder patches are affixed to both shoulders and a subdued U.S. Flag is affixed below the left shoulder patch.
- Undershirt: Green T-shirt with SWAT emblem as approved by the SWAT Lieutenant.
- Trousers: 511 brand TDU multi-cam 190 Ripstop (or similar manufacturer) pants.
 - The pants shall not be "bloused", but rather worn over the boots.
- Jacket (Optional): Multi-cam colored military style field jacket
 - The subdued shoulder patches, the U.S. flag patch and the name tapes will be affixed to the jacket in a manner consistent with the S.W.A.T. blouse specifications.
- Olive or Coyote brown web or nylon belt
- Tan, green, or a similarly colored tactical boot
- SWAT Operators will have their last name visible somewhere on their vest carrier, at or near chest level, in the form of a dedicated name plate or embroidered piece of nylon or cloth.

The Standard CNT uniform shall consist of the following:

Shirt: A black polo short and/or long sleeve shirt, with the CNT emblem on the left side of the chest, above the heart.

Trouser: The CNT trouser shall be the same trousers as currently approved for the department's approved Class "C" BDU style pant.

Nothing in this policy is intended to limit the SWAT Lieutenant's, or any SWAT Team Leader's authority to modify any portion of the uniform due to tactical considerations during actual SWAT operations as appropriate.

K-475

EFFECTIVE: July 15, 2009	REVIEWED: 08/30/2018	REVISED: 00/00/00	UPDATED: 08/30/2018
------------------------------------	--------------------------------	-----------------------------	-------------------------------