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OPNAV INSTRUCTION 10126.4D

From: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF LEATHER FLIGHT JACKETS

Ref: (a) NAVPERS 18068F
(b) MCO 1200.17C
(c) NAVSUP Publication 485, Vol. I

Encl: (1) Sample Request for Leather Flight Jacket Letter

1. Purpose. To issue inventory policy, management policy, and procedures for the control and accounting of leather flight jackets.

2. Cancellation. OPNAVINST 10126.4C.

3. Background. The traditional leather flight jacket is designated as an exclusive clothing item for members of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps. Proper distribution oversight, strict procurement controls, and management over on-hand stock, issues, and disposition will be implemented and scrupulously maintained.

4. Policy. Leather flight jackets are authorized for issue to and wear by only the following:

- a. Naval aviators;
- b. Naval flight officers (NFOs);
- c. Naval flight surgeons; and
- d. Navy and Marine Corps enlisted aircrew personnel, who:
 - (1) have completed Naval Aircrew Candidate School, and
 - (2) have been assigned a Navy enlisted classification (NEC) code series 78xx, 82xx, or 94xx, per reference (a), or

(3) have been assigned a primary Marine Corps military occupational specialty (MOS) in series 617x, 624x, 737x, and 738x, per reference (b).

e. Navy Selected Reserve (SELRES) enlisted aircrew who have completed an Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV) approved course of instruction, earning NEC code series 78xx, 82xx, or 94xx.

5. Procedures. Issue, disposition, and re-utilization of leather flight jackets will be as follows:

a. Issue. Leather flight jackets will be issued to authorized personnel as follows:

(1) Initial Issue

(a) U.S. naval aviators and NFOs upon completion of Aviation Pre-flight Indoctrination at Naval Aviation Schools Command (NAVAVSCOLSCOM) in Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida (NAS Pensacola);

(b) U.S. naval flight surgeons upon completion of the academic portion of the flight surgeon training program at NAVAVSCOLSCOM;

(c) U.S. Navy and Marine Corps enlisted aircrew personnel upon completion of the Naval Aircrew Candidate School at NAVAVSCOLSCOM.

(d) In lieu of completing Naval Aircrew Candidate School, U.S. Navy SELRES aircrew personnel may receive initial issue flight jackets provided: 1) paragraph 4e requirements are met, and 2) they have a forwarding endorsement of such entitlement via Commander, Naval Air Forces Reserve, Aviation Logistics Directorate (CNAFR N41). This provides Fleet Logistics Center Jacksonville (FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville) Detachment (Det) Pensacola with a single point of entry for this exception case.

(e) Initial issue is normally accomplished at the FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola Flight Gear Issuing Facility (FGIF) aboard NAS Pensacola. During the initial issue

process, the recipient will be entered into the FGIF leather flight jacket database for tracking. Additionally, the recipient's Naval Air Training and Operating Procedures Standardization (NATOPS) OPNAV 3760/32 Flight Personnel Training and Qualification Jacket will be updated to reflect the issue.

(2) Re-issue. Re-issues require a "turn-in" leather flight jacket previously issued by the FGIF. If the jacket is unavailable for turn-in, a DD Form 200 Financial Liability Investigation of Property Loss Report must be prepared. Reference (c) provides general instructions on how to complete a DD Form 200. Additionally, a DD Form 1348-6 Department of Defense (DoD) Single Line Item Requisition System Document and command letter personally signed by the commanding officer is required. Reference (c) provides guidance in preparing a DD Form 1348-6 requisition. Enclosure (1) is an example of a properly prepared command letter. Note: "By Direction" signatures are unacceptable and will be rejected.

b. Disposition. Final disposition of the jackets will be as follows:

(1) Personnel qualified to be issued and wear leather flight jackets may retain their jacket when separating or retiring from the Naval Service under honorable conditions. However, they will not be authorized any subsequent issues or re-issues after retirement or separation. A disposition letter will be prepared documenting the event, noting the name, rank (rate, rating, or MOS), and DoD identification (ID) number of the individual retaining the jacket. The original disposition letter (personally signed by the activity commanding officer) will be forwarded to FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola, FGIF, 690 San Carlos Road, Building 3581, NAS, Pensacola, FL 32508-5014. One disposition letter copy shall be retained by the activity and another copy issued to the individual.

(2) Personnel not meeting the requirements of paragraph 5b(1) shall turn in their flight jacket to their activity prior to leaving service. The returned jacket shall be stripped of all insignia and patches. Then the returned jacket will be forwarded via traceable means to FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola, FGIF, 690 San Carlos Road, Building 3581, NAS,

Pensacola, FL 32508-5014, for re-utilization or disposition actions. With each returned jacket include a DD Form 1149 Requisition and Invoice/Shipping Document (with 2 copies) annotated with the name, rank (rate, rating or MOS) and DoD ID number of the individual returning the jacket.

c. Reutilization. FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola shall attempt to maximize the re-utilization of leather flight jacket turn-ins by re-issuing the jackets as "free issue" exchanges with authorized recipients.

6. Responsibilities

a. OPNAV

(1) The Logistics Programs and Corporate Operations Division (OPNAV (N41)) shall maintain this instruction.

(2) The Air Warfare Division (OPNAV (N98)) shall be the final decision making authority on leather flight jacket entitlement questions.

b. Naval Supply Systems Command. Update appropriate supply publications with these procedures and controls.

c. CNAFR (N41). Provide forwarding endorsement of entitlement for initial issue jacket for qualified SELRES aircrew candidates per paragraph 5a(1)(d).

d. FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola

(1) Partner with Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) to maintain adequate stores of leather flight jackets to support both U.S. Navy and Marine Corps requirements.

(2) Institute procedures with DLA so all requisitions for leather flight jackets originating from other services or from Navy activities other than FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola are rejected.

(3) Ensure removal of the inside flap of the jacket on which "USN" (for U.S. Navy) or any other government markings are stenciled, prior to turn-in to DLA.

(4) Monitor FGIF inventory management, policy, and operations to ensure compliance with this instruction.

(5) Arrange for security to prevent theft when shipping flight jackets, to include shipment of jackets by traceable means.

(6) Ensure that proper supply and security discipline relative to flight jacket management is exercised at FGIF, including setting stock levels, establishing screening and disposition procedures, and developing strict requisition, receipt, and issue controls.

(7) Ensure that the controlled item inventory code (CIIC) assigned to leather flight jackets is "V."

e. Commanding Officer, NAVAVSCOLSCOM. Provide FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola FGIF with a personally signed letter listing the name, rank (rate, rating, or MOS), and DoD ID number of the students authorized issuance of a leather flight jacket. This shall be entered into the FGIF leather flight jacket database for tracking purposes.

f. Type, Wing, and Carrier Air Wing Commanders, Squadron, Station, and Activity Commanding Officers

(1) Ensure all requisitions for leather flight jackets are for qualified personnel and that the enclosure (1) letter is submitted and personally signed by the commanding officer.

(2) Ensure that an entry is made in the individual's NATOPS OPNAV 3760/32, whether he or she was issued or re-issued a leather flight jacket. This applies to initial issues for Navy SELRES enlisted aircrew. A DD Form 200 document number will also be entered when re-issue is made as a result of a survey.

(3) Provide FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola FGIF a personally signed copy of the disposition letter for personnel separating or retiring from the Service under honorable conditions and retaining their flight jacket per paragraph 5b(1).

(4) Receive returned leather flight jackets and forward, via traceable means, to FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola FGIF at the address listed in paragraph 5b(2). With each returned jacket include a DD Form 1149 (with 2 copies) annotated with the name, rank (rate, rating, or MOS), and DoD ID number of the individual turning in the leather flight jacket. Reference (c) provides guidance in preparing a DD Form 1149 document.

(5) Recover leather flight jackets from officers and enlisted aircrew personnel leaving naval Service as defined in paragraph 5b(2).

(6) For re-issue requisitions, ensure the old jacket (or in lieu of, a copy of the DD Form 200 personally signed by the commanding officer or a copy of the DD Form 1131 Cash Collection Voucher for voluntary reimbursement) is delivered with the enclosure (1) letter (personally signed by the commanding officer) and DD Form 1348-6 requisition.

(7) Upon discovery of a loss, immediately determine if evidence of negligence, willful misconduct, or deliberate unauthorized use exists. The activity will prepare a DD Form 200. The DD Form 200 (approved and personally signed by the commanding officer) will then be forwarded to FLTLOGCTR Jacksonville Det Pensacola, FGIF. If the responsible individual voluntarily consents to reimburse the U.S. Government, a DD Form 1131 for the amount of the jacket will be prepared on behalf of the U.S. Government. A copy of the DD Form 1131 will be submitted to FGIF with a copy of the approved DD Form 200 in order to support adjustment of their records.

7. Records Management. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, shall be managed per Secretary of the Navy Manual 5210.1 of January 2012.

8. Forms. The following forms are available from the DoD Forms Web site

<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/index.htm>:

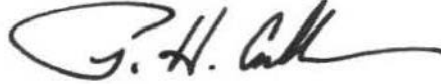
a. DD Form 200 Financial Liability Investigation of Property Loss Report

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b. DD Form 1348-6 DoD Single Line Item Requisition System Document

c. DD Form 1149 Requisition and Invoice/Shipping Document

d. DD Form 1131 Cash Collection Voucher



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SAMPLE REQUEST FOR LEATHER FLIGHT JACKET LETTER

Command Letterhead

(For Official Use Only, when filled in)

From: Commanding Officer, (Command Name)
To: Commanding Officer, Fleet Logistics Center Jacksonville
Detachment Pensacola, Naval Air Station Pensacola, FL
32508-5017

Subj: REQUISITION FOR LEATHER FLIGHT JACKET ICO {INSERT NAME}

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 10126.4D

Encl: (1) DD Form 1348-1
(2) Leather Flight Jacket, Size ____ (if applicable)
(3) Copy, Missing, Lost, Stolen or Recovered Report DD
Form 200 (if applicable)
(4) Copy, DD Form 1131, Cash Collection Voucher (if
applicable)

1. Per reference (a), a replacement issue (or initial issue for SELRES aircrew personnel) leather flight jacket is requested for the subject named officer (or enlisted member).

2. Enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted for your records and use.

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("ACTING" or "BY DIRECTION" is not authorized.)

Copy to:
(If applicable)

Enclosure (1)