

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration OFFICE OF MARINE AND AVIATION OPERATIONS Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282

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ACTION-DECISION

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Rear Admiral David A. Score, NOAA

Director, NOAA Corps

FROM:

Commander Kristie Twining, NOAA

Chair, Uniform and Awards Board

SUBJECT:

Request for Waiver of NOAA Corps Chapter 12 Directives

BACKGROUND:

An updated version of the NOAA Corps Directives, Chapter 12 was made effective on 18 May 2017. The updated version of Chapter 12, Part 5 does not include the authorization for wear of the Female Service Dress White (Choker Coat) as part of the prescribed Female Service Dress White Coat. A recent update to the Navy Regulations prescribes the Female Service Dress White (Choker Coat) for females in addition to the Service Dress White Coat whenever the Service Dress White Coat is authorized for wear.

This memo authorizes the wear of the Female Service Dress White (Coat) and Female Service Dress White (Choker Coat) as described in Navy Uniform Regulations Chapter 3, Section 5, Article 3501.17. This waiver is retroactive to 18 May 2017 and is valid until the current NOAA Corps Chapter 12 directives are updated to match the Navy Female Service Dress White uniform description.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

I recommend you approve the wear of the Choker White Coat as part of the prescribed Female Service Dress White Uniform as per the Navy Uniform Regulations until they can be added to the Chapter 12 NOAA Corps Directives.

3. APPROVAL:		
Approve:	Disapprove:	Let's Discuss:

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Director, NOAA Corps

