

# GIG LINE 101

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While wearing any uniform there is a thing called the gig line. This is an alignment of the shirt or blouse, belt buckle, and the fly of the trousers or slacks. When females wear the skirt, the gig line only involves the blouse and the buckle.

**Gig Line: “Button front edge of the shirt, the outside of the belt buckle and the edge of the fly will align”** *CAP SPEAK* A Glossary of Terms Used by Civil Air Patrol Members

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LL 1.1.1 - English Light Field Armor,  
16th Century



Male Cadet in Summer Blues

LL 1.1.8 - Gig Line Alignment and  
Wear of the Flight Cap

## BELT 101

When wearing the uniform the belt is to be worn at the natural waist.

“Trousers / Slacks

- “Worn at natural waist with no bunching at waist or sagging in seat.
  - “Horizontal wrinkles at waist, tightness in crouch and bulging in side pockets indicate too small!”

“Skirt

- “Hang naturally over hips
  - “Horizontal wrinkles at waist or bulging in side pockets indicated too small!”

From “Looking sharp today in a CAP uniform” power point presentation by Susie Parker, Deputy Director, Membership Services.

**Table 2-1. Men's Service, Mess Dress, and Semiformal Uniforms** Page 45-51

Belt - Woven 1 1/4 inch cotton web or 1 1/4 inch elastic, solid or woven, belt with matching silver-color metal tip and buckle of chrome-like finish. Silver tip end of the belt extends beyond the buckle, facing the wearer's left; no blue fabric shows. General officers may wear the "Wing and Star" design, shiny finish emblem and belt buckle.

**Table 2-2. Women's Service, Mess Dress, and Semiformal Uniforms** Pages 52-61

Belt - With skirt or slacks with belt loops; silver tip end of the belt extends beyond the buckle facing the wearer's right; no blue fabric shows. Woven 1-inch cotton web or 1-inch elastic, solid or woven, belt with matching silver-color metal tip and buckle of chrome-like finish. General officers may wear the "Wing & Star" design, shiny finish emblem and belt buckle.

**Table 2-3. Men's and Women's Battle Dress Uniforms** Pages 62-63

Belt and Buckle Dark blue, 1 1/4-inch woven cotton web, solid or woven elastic belt with black metal tip end and plain (open faced) black buckle. Black tip may extend up to 1 inch beyond the buckle, facing to the wearer's left (men) or facing wearer's right or left (women).

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**CAP Blazer Uniform** Page 74 & Page 80 Men & 81 Women

- Men's Belt - A plain black civilian belt with conservative non-decorative type gold or silver buckle (not to exceed 2 inches in size) will be worn with trousers with belt loops.
- Women's Belt Must be worn with skirt or slacks with belt loops. Plain civilian black belt with conservative non-decorative type gold or silver buckle not to exceed 2 inches will be worn.

**Men's and Women's Aviator Shirt with Epaulets Uniform** (Senior Members Only)  
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Belt must be worn with skirt or trousers/slacks with belt loops. Plain civilian black belt with conservative, non-decorative type gold or silver buckle, not to exceed 2 inches in size, will be worn.

**Men's and Women's Golf Shirt / Summer Uniform** Page 76 & Page 84-85

Belt must be worn with skirt or trousers/slacks with belt loops. Plain civilian black belt with conservative non-decorative type gold or silver buckle, not to exceed 2 inches, will be worn.

**Men's and Women's CAP Blue Flight Suit and Blue Flight Jacket** Page 77 & Page 86

**Men's and Women's CAP Blue Utility Uniform** Page 78 & Page 86

**Men's and Women's CAP Distinctive Blue Field Uniform** Page 79

**Men's and Women's CAP Field Uniform** Page 87

Belt any plain dark blue or black woven cotton web belt may be worn.