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BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY

**ENCLOSURE 9.4**  
**PERSONAL APPEARANCE STANDARDS**

- CADET STANDARDS
- EXCEPTIONS



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**POST ACADEMY CADETS**

1. Hair:

- Hair shall be neat, clean and neatly trimmed.
- Male, hair shall not cover any portion of the ear.
- Female, hair shall be combed or cut in a fashion that does not cover the lower portion of the ear or more than two inches in front of the ear.
- Hair shall not be styled in a fashion which hinders wearing of the uniform hat in the prescribed manner.
- Hair shall not be cut in any inappropriate/eccentric style.
- No decorations shall be worn in the hair except clips, pins, rubber bands or elastic fabric hair retainers that closely match the hair color.
- Hair shall be a natural human color.
- No hair shall be visible on the forehead below the brim of the hat.

2. Sideburns shall not extend below the lowest part of the ear.

- Sideburns will be of an even width and not be flared.

3. Mustaches will not extend over the top or in any way obscure the upper lip.

- Mustaches will not extend below or more than ½ inch beyond the corners of the mouth.
- Mustaches will be kept short and neatly trimmed to prevent an overly busy appearance.
- Nasal hairs will be kept trimmed so as not to protrude from the nostrils.
- Beards of any type are prohibited.

4. Eyelashes

- False eyelashes are prohibited.

5. Cosmetics

- Cosmetics shall be subdued and match the natural color of the skin.

6. Fingernails

- Fingernails shall be kept clean and neatly trimmed.
- Fingernails shall not exceed more than ¼ inch beyond the tips of the fingers or thumb.
- Fingernail polish, if worn, will be clear.

7. Personal Hygiene

- Cadets will maintain a reasonably acceptable personal hygiene practice.

8. Earrings, facial or oral piercings are prohibited during the academy.

9. Tattoos must conform to the cadet's agency policies.



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**EXCEPTIONS**

1. The standards for hair grooming and facial hair may be waived if the cadet's employing agency verifies that the cadet's assignment, immediately following graduation, requires exception to these standards.
2. In the event that a waiver of the facial hair standard is accepted by the academy, the hair will be neatly trimmed and conform to the jaw line.
3. The basic training bureau chief may, at his option, wave any standard with prior coordination.