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### Living History Program

# Confederate Guard Standards for Camp Sumter February 1864 – April 1865

This is a guard impression, not a field army. Heavy marching gear, knapsacks are not required, but may be used. Camp impression shall be similar to that of a soldier on garrison duty.

Condition of clothing will vary depending upon the time frame being depicted. From February 1864 - May 1864 the uniforms and equipment would be in good condition. From May 1864 - May 1865 the conditions would be in varying states of disrepair, with the conditions getting worse as more time goes by. Additionally, after April 1864, the guards were mainly old men over the age of 43 and young boys under the age of 18 from the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Georgia Reserves. Their equipment was a mixture of good and bad quality, with it deteriorating over time, eventually making it difficult to tell the difference between guard and prisoner.

**All clothing, accouterments, weapons etc. should conform to documented equipment issued to the Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, or Georgia Reserves.** The burden of proof resides with the participant. If you cannot prove an item or article of clothing was used, you will not be allowed to use it. Preferred styles are listed below.

Columbus Depot – Early to mid war issue.

Type I, 5-button shell jacket, wool jean cloth with blue collar and cuffs.

See Echoes of Glory, Arms and Equipment of the Confederacy page 143.

Trousers manufactured from same material as the jacket and of the proper pattern.

Atlanta Depot – Early to mid war issue.

6-button shell jacket, hand loomed wool cloth resembling salt and pepper burlap.

See Echoes of Glory, Arms and Equipment of the Confederacy page 143.

Trousers manufactured from same material as the jacket and of the proper pattern.

Richmond Depot- Early to mid war issue.

Second pattern 6-button shell jacket, untrimmed, gray wool cloth.

See Echoes of Glory, Arms and Equipment of the Confederacy page 135.

Second pattern 9-button shell jacket, partially trimmed or untrimmed, wool jean cloth, two piece sleeves, plain cuffs, and belt loops.

See Echoes of Glory, Arms and Equipment of the Confederacy page 135.

Trousers to be manufactured from the same material as the jacket and must be of the proper pattern.

Clothing should be hand topstitched and should have hand worked buttonholes.

Jackets - Should conform to the documented type issued to the Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, or Georgia Reserves between 1863 - 1865.

Trousers - Should conform to the documented type issued to the Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, or Georgia Reserves between 1863 - 1865.

Civilian trousers must be of correct pattern and sewing.

Should be mostly hand sewn, including buttonholes.

Shirts

Civilian shirts were most common - plaids, checks, and stripes. No modern prints.

Should be mostly hand sewn, including buttonholes.

Shoes and socks.

Civilian boots or shoes.

MODIFIED MODERN COMBAT BOOTS, CHUKKA BOOTS, BOON-DOCKERS, OR HUSH PUPPIES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.

Army issue Brogans.

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Wool or cotton socks of the correct pattern.

MODERN "HUNTING" SOCKS CONTAINING ELASTIC OR WITH RED OR ANY OTHER COLORED STRIPES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.

Head gear.

Hats

Must be civilian pattern with proper modifications or of the correct pattern.

Army issue hats or kepis of the correct pattern.

Gear (Accouterments).

Cartridge box - Documented to Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, Georgia Reserves, Atlanta, Richmond, or Columbus depots.

Cap pouch - Documented to Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, Georgia Reserves, Atlanta, Richmond, or Columbus depots.

Waist belt - GA. Frame, C.S.A. Rectangle, or Clip Corner CS.

Haversack.

Documented to the Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, or Georgia Reserves, Atlanta, Richmond, or Columbus depots.  
Federal issue.

Canteen.

Documented to the Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, or Georgia Reserves.  
Wooden, Gardner pattern.  
Federal bulls eye.

Weapons.

Brown Bess (with proper cartridge box).  
1816 musket.  
1822 musket.  
1842 musket.  
Two or three band Enfield musket.

Tents.

A- frame (wedge) of the prescribed period. Please bring them if you have them.  
Shelter halves of the prescribed period.

Artillery.

A maximum of three field pieces of the prescribed period may be used per unit. These may be any combination of the following: 12 pound Napoleon 3 inch Ordnance rifle, or 6 pound model 1841. Limbers would be appreciated but are not necessary. All equipment and ordnance must be documented to Army of Tennessee, Army of Northern Virginia, or Georgia Reserves. ALL PIECES MUST BE FULL SIZED.

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