

8 February 2009

Fellow TMC'09 Participants,

I hope this note finds all of you doing well. I have 1 subject to discuss in this comms package.

a) Our TMC'09 Uniform requirements.

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I have written to you in the past that I encourage you to prepare to wear a certain theme of clothing while we are on the Convoy. I say “encourage” because I will not mandate this for the simple reason of that being a silly way to proceed.

So, the following are my strong recommendations.

In General:

- We will, for a lot of the time (reveille to retreat), be in the spotlight of the public and media. We need to put our most professional image forward for ourselves, our hobby, the MVPA, the LHA and the TMC'09 project.
- We will require you to wear your issued TMC'09 Participant ID at all times, from “reveille to retreat”. It will look like a “trade show” ID in a plastic holder on a lanyard. The Jeep Jamboree events use this format – and the participants simply drop this ID inside of their shirt pocket or inside their T-shirt when on the road / trail. This keeps it from blowing all over and strangling you. When stopped for what-ever reason – have it outside your shirt. It makes it easy for the Public and media and Police and our other guests to know who we are (that’s a good thing). If your ID gets damaged or – gasp! – lost, let one of the Volunteers or your March Unit Leader know and we’ll get it replaced for you promptly.
- Please wear headgear (hats) of a design and colour that is relative to our activity and hobby and the rest of your uniform / clothing scheme. Make SURE you keep the sun off of your head and neck to avoid sunburns on your head / neck area. Use sunscreen! Those participants who paid the \$100 registration will be issued a TMC'09 theme hat. They will also be available for sale on the Convoy.
- Please wear T-shirts or golf shirts or button-up shirts that are relative to our activity and hobby. We all have lots of ‘em! Not wearing a shirt is not acceptable (nowhere to pin the nametag!). With short sleeve shirts – use sunscreen! Those participants who paid the \$100 registration will be issued a TMC'09 theme T-shirt. They will also be available for sale on the Convoy.
- Wearing our **TMC'09 UNIFORM SHIRT** is strongly encouraged. It’s a nice shirt from Cabela’s. See below for purchasing details and how to prepare the shirt.

- Wear long pants or shorts of a design and colour (like forest green or khaki green / tan) that are relative to our activity and hobby and the rest of your uniform / clothing scheme. With shorts – use sunscreen. No TMC'09 theme pants are envisioned. Most of us wear jeans on any given day – so use your own judgment.
- Wear footwear of a design and colour that is relative to our activity and hobby and the rest of your uniform / clothing scheme. No TMC'09 theme footwear is envisioned.
- Period GI clothing relative to your MV is, of course, a great idea – just take care of the weather and don't over-dress and over-heat.
- Variants on this clothing for women are encouraged – and again I assume good taste and common sense will prevail.
- I leave the clothing choices for children to Mom and Dad or Grandma and Grandpa.
- Clothing worn by the folks driving our chase vehicles should reflect highly on our hobby, the MVPA, the LHA and the TMC'09 Convoy project.
- Have your shop coat or coveralls or work clothes with you in case there's an MV to fix.
- ... none of this should be new – but rather common sense – and what we all do today at a MV show or parade.

During a typical driving day (no rain or inclement weather):

- Dress for the weather and plan for rain!
- Although use of any of the clothing noted above is acceptable, I recommend using the TMC'09 theme clothing where possible. Leave the period clothing for our static shows and parades.
- If time permits at the end of the day – when we are having a static show or parade or a hosted dinner, feel free to use your period clothing. It'll look GREAT!

During a typical rest day (no rain or inclement weather):

- Dress for the weather and plan for rain!
- When we are having a static show or parade or a hosted meal, feel free to use your period clothing. It'll look GREAT! For instance – in Wooster, OH, the Marlboro Volunteers team will be in full GI uniform during our entire rest day!
- If you are “out and about” doing some sight-seeing or shopping or other duties – I leave the attire choices to your own good judgment.

Here are the details of the TMC'09 Uniform shirt:

- You have to buy this shirt on your own. Use either or both Long-Sleeve or Short-Sleeve model. I plan to have at least one of each.
- **IMPORTANT!** You will need to add a TMC'09 Patch and a US Flag to your shirt.
 - **For those folks that have paid the registration fee as of 10 February 2009 (either \$100 or \$30/day), I will send you ONE (1) TMC'09 Patch and ONE (1) US Flag, as well as the mounting instructions. I will be happy to provide you with additional patches – for \$5.00 / set for additional shirts.**
 - For those folks that have not paid the registration fee as of 10 February 2009, I will send you ONE (1) TMC'09 Patch and ONE (1) US Flag, as well as the mounting instructions – once I receive your registration payment (either \$100 or \$30/day). Again, I will be happy to provide you with additional patches – for \$5.00 / set for additional shirts.
- General description of the Long-Sleeve model:
 - Cabela's Long-Sleeve Safari® Shirt, Regular = item # XJ-902474
 - Cabela's Long-Sleeve Safari® Shirt, Tall = item # XJ-902475
- General description of the Short-Sleeve model:
 - Cabela's Short-Sleeve Safari® Shirt, Regular = item # XJ-902472
 - Cabela's Short-Sleeve Safari® Shirt, Tall = item # XJ-902473
- Tell the “order taker” your desired size (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL or 5XL) and quantity.
- Colour = GRASSLAND
- Price for the shirt is ~ \$24 - \$30, depending on size.
- Although found in the men's section, they seem to be ok for men and women. (I am sure to pay dearly for this statement. ☺)
- Use the sizing chart to verify regular or tall and your size and then select Long-Sleeve or Short-Sleeve. From my experience @ wearing a normal 17” neck x 35” sleeve dress shirt (I am 6’-2” tall and 230 Lbs) – I find that the XL Regular fits a little loose over a T-Shirt, but ok. The XL Tall was *way* too big! You decide from there. Cabela's has an easy return policy if you select poorly (as I found out).
 - Attached file is the Cabela's sizing chart (attached at the end of this note).
- To order the Safari® Shirt on-line, use this link:
<http://www.cabelas.com/cabelas/en/templates/links/link.jsp?type=pod&id=0018649>.
- To order the Safari® Shirt on-line by phone, call 1-800-237-4444 (US only) or +001-308-234-5555 (select your desired language) and you will talk to a live “order taker”.

I am sure some will have questions and maybe concerns. I have done my best to communicate the intent on this note and I will be happy to discuss any point with you if/as needed. I will publish any revisions to this note rapidly – to address errors.

We will post this note on our web site. (thanks in advance, Wendy!)

Take care to all,

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Men's Clothing
When measuring, keep tape snug but not tight.

Neck: Measure around the base of the neck allowing for a comfortable fit, or measure a shirt collar that fits you well. To measure a shirt, lay collar flat and measure from button to button hole at the far end.

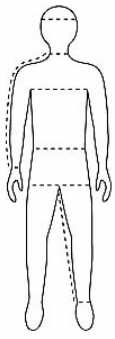
Chest: With arms relaxed at sides, measure around the largest part of the chest and shoulder blades.

Sleeves: Measure from center back at neck base along shoulder and down arm to wrist with a slightly bent elbow.

Waist: Measure around waist at narrowest point.

Inseam: Measure from base of crotch down inside of leg to desired pant length.

Men's Tall: Extra 2" added to body and 1 1/2" sleeve length.



Men's Regular 5'8" to 6'0"; Tall 6'0" to 6'4"

Measurements are in inches

Size	Neck	Chest	Waist	Sleeve
S	14 - 14 1/2	34 - 36	28 - 30	32 1/2 - 33
M	15 - 15 1/2	38 - 40	32 - 34	33 1/2 - 34
L	16 - 16 1/2	42 - 44	36 - 38	34 1/2 - 35
XL	17 - 17 1/2	46 - 48	40 - 42	35 1/2 - 36
2XL	18 - 18 1/2	50 - 52	44 - 46	36 1/2 - 37
3XL	19 - 19 1/2	54 - 56	48 - 50	37 - 37 1/2
4XL	20 - 20 1/2	58 - 60	52 - 54	37 1/2 - 38
5XL	21 - 21 1/2	62 - 64	56 - 58	38 - 38 1/2