



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NEW UNIFORM ITEMS

NPS Uniformed Employees,

With this flyer the National Park Service is introducing several new components to its uniform program. All components are available to employees in both Class A and Class B uniform categories. Instructions will be forthcoming from the Service in February specifying the categories in each class (i.e., Class A Field or Class B Work) in which these components can be worn. We believe you will find all of these components to be worthy additions to the uniform program.

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IMPORTANT: Enter description, lot number, size, and price on available empty lines of existing Class A or Class B order forms.

BRUSH PANT

During the spring and early summer of 1993, about a dozen male and female maintenance employees from throughout the system conducted a wear test of brush pants — 100% cotton duck pants with double leg fronts and cuffs, wider leg cut, and a loose fit for ease of movement. Because the pants are thicker, there was some concern about warmth in southern areas, but the pants received a very positive evaluation overall. The pants will provide extra protection and durability for those employees in hard work environments.

Male Brush Pant Size Scale
(Order by waist and inseam.)

WAIST SIZES										
INSEAM	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	
30	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
32	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
34	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
36	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

Female Brush Pant Size Scale
(Order by body size: 8, 10, etc. and inseam.)

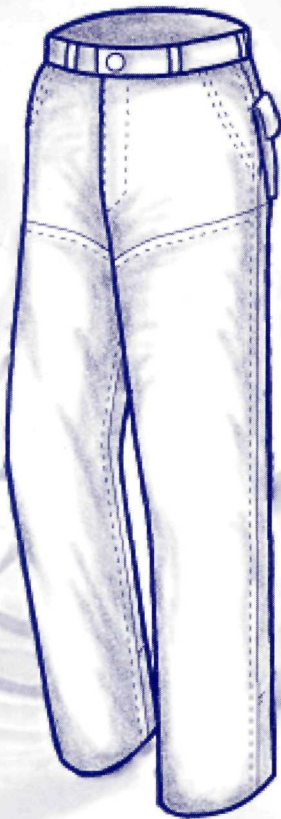
ORDER SIZE	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
WAIST	27"	28"	29 1/2"	31"	33"	35"	37"
28	•	•	•	•			
30	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
32	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
34	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
36	•	•	•	•			

Brush Pant

Fabric: 100% Cotton Duck Weave, NPS Green

STYLE:

- Vat dyed for superior color retention
 - Dungaree style for ease of movement
 - Deep front pockets
 - Hip patch pockets with flaps and button fasteners
 - Leg fronts and cuffs have double fabric for durability in the toughest jobs
 - Available only in sizes listed.
- No made to measures



MALE LOT #203
FEMALE LOT #204

\$33.75

SOCKS

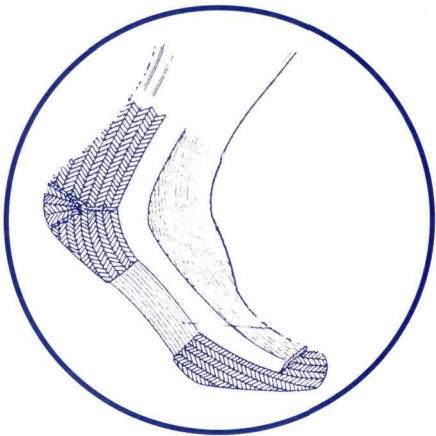
Over the years, a number of employees have recommended that we add Thorlo® socks to the uniform program because of their outstanding comfort and ability to wick moisture. We accordingly had several styles field-tested this year by about 30 men and women from around the agency.

The results were extremely positive. We are therefore adding four types of socks to the program — a medium-weight hiking sock, a heavy-weight hiking or trekking sock, a dress crew sock, and a knee-high western boot sock (all current socks will remain in the program for the balance of the year, after which we'll conduct an evaluation to determine which should be retained).

Hiking Sock

MALE LOT #1550
FEMALE LOT #1551

\$6.35



FABRIC: 88% Acrylic, 10% Stretch Nylon, 2% Spandex
STYLE:

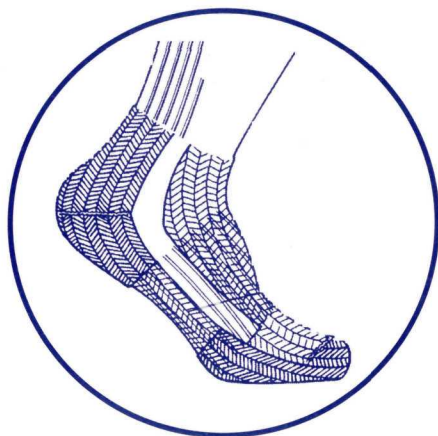
- High-density pads under the ball and heel protects against shock, concussion, and abrasion.
- Low-density pad in arch allows shoe to snug closer.
- Low-density pad over top of foot protects toes and cushions instep against lace pressure and boot folds.

One Size Male Hiking Sock to Fit: 10 – 13 (not shoe size)
One Size Female Hiking Sock to Fit: 8 1/2 – 11

Trekking Sock

MALE LOT #1560
FEMALE LOT #1561

\$8.95



FABRIC: 45% Acrylic, 38% Wool, 9% Stretch Nylon, 6% Insulating Hollow-core Polyester, 2% Spandex
STYLE:

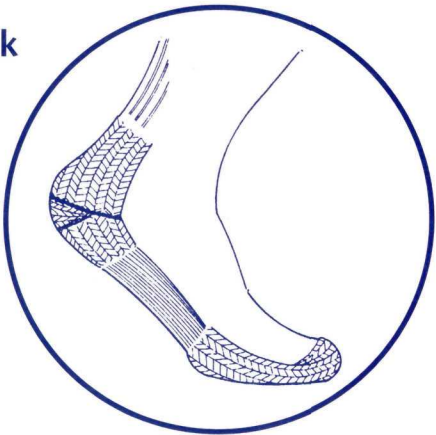
- High-density pads under the ball and heel provide extra protection against shock, concussion, and abrasion.
- Medium-density pad in arch gives support and allows for better fit.
- Medium-density pad in instep and over toe cushions against lace pressure and protects from bruising.

One Size Male Trekking Sock to Fit: 10 – 13 (not shoe size)
One Size Female Trekking Sock to Fit: 8 1/2 – 11

Dress Crew Sock

MALE LOT #1540
FEMALE LOT #1541

\$5.90



FABRIC: 85% Acrylic, 15% Stretch Nylon
STYLE:

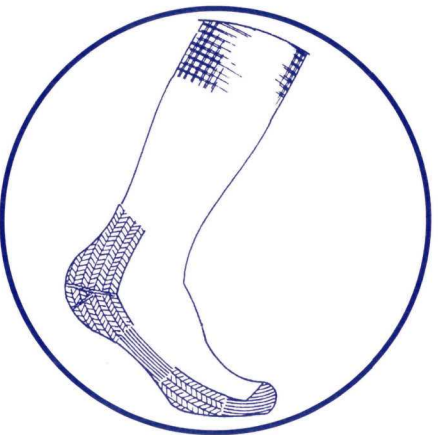
- Medium-density padding at the heel and ball for protection against shock, concussion, and abrasion.
- Low-density pad cushions and supports arch.
- Flat knit instep allows for rapid moisture evaporation and no bunching.

One Size Male Dress Crew Sock to Fit: 10 – 13 (not shoe size)
One Size Female Dress Crew Sock to Fit: 9 – 11

Dress Western Boot Sock

MALE LOT #1530
FEMALE LOT #1531

\$5.70



FABRIC: 75% Acrylic, 25% Stretch Nylon
STYLE:

- Medium-density heel and ball pad for protection against shock, concussion, and abrasion. Heel pad prevents slippage.
- Low-density pad cushions and supports arch.
- Stretch nylon upper sock stays up above boot top.

One Size Male Western Boot Sock to Fit: 10 – 13 (not shoe size)
One Size Female Western Boot Sock to Fit: 9 – 11

Backcountry Hiker

Last year, we sent out a hiking boot needs assessment form to all field areas. The form was completed and returned by almost 300 employees in 130 areas and provided a wealth of information on what type of boots most employees wanted to see in the program.

Since it's not currently possible to provide boots to meet *all* field needs, we sought a boot that would meet the majority of field requirements. The assessments revealed that most employees wanted a backcountry hiking boot which would provide support for someone carrying a moderately-sized pack, and that it should be of good quality construction, all leather, durable but light, and waterproof.

Based on these evaluations, an intensive field wear test by 13 male and female employees, and subsequent discussions with the manufacturers, we selected the Vasque Sundowner® for the program. Vasque is a well-known and highly regarded company, and the Sundowner® is a proven, quality, all-leather, Gore-Tex®-lined boot coming in size ranges which exceed those of other manufacturers. We think it will be an excellent addition to the program.

General Purpose Hiker

These boots are moderate duty hiking boots and have been selected for that purpose. The Rocky® Hiker currently in the inventory is being rechristened the **General Purpose Hiker** to more clearly match the application for which it was designed.

The Rocky® Hiker was brought into the uniform program about a decade ago to serve as a general purpose, moderate duty, hiking boot — not as a backcountry hiking boot. At that time, management believed that backcountry hiking boots should be acquired by employees or parks, depending on application, and that the Service should restrict itself to providing a general purpose boot for short trail walks, inclement weather and similar uses. The boot will remain in the program for those purposes.

As the largest manufacturer of Gore-Tex® boots in the world, Rocky® designed this boot specifically for the National Park Service. Many improvements have been made over the past few years based on input from employees. They include:

- #1 In October 1989, the leather upper was changed on the patented Gore-Tex® bootie construction specification, to increase breathability.
- #2 In the spring of 1991 the leather was modified to a full grain, waterproof/breathable cow hide leather.

Again, this boot is recommended for moderate duty use.

Field Work Boot

The assessment and decision process for the field work boot was very similar to that of the backcountry hiker. The needs assessment which was sent out to the field was returned by just under 300 people from 70 field areas. There was a clear consensus on what kind of boot should be sought — all leather, lightweight, waterproof, unlined, breathable, eight to ten inch uppers, and had to meet firefighting criteria.

We again sought samples from a variety of vendors. This time we found a single vendor — Georgia Boot® — which produced a boot that met all the basic criteria. The boots were wear-tested by 26 men and women in a number of maintenance occupations and from a wide variety of areas and working environments and were favorably reviewed. We accordingly decided to add this boot to the program.

A representative from the Service's Branch of Fire Management participated in the selection of the field work boot and has attested to its suitability for wildland fire operations under current National Park Service and National Wildfire Coordinating Group standards.



STYLE:

- Tri-Wick® contoured footbed designed to control heat build-up and move perspiration from the foot.
- Gore-Tex® waterproof liner
- One-piece construction
- Premium waterproof leather

Male Lot #7535
Female Lot #7536

\$145.55

BACKCOUNTRY HIKER MALE SIZE SCALE

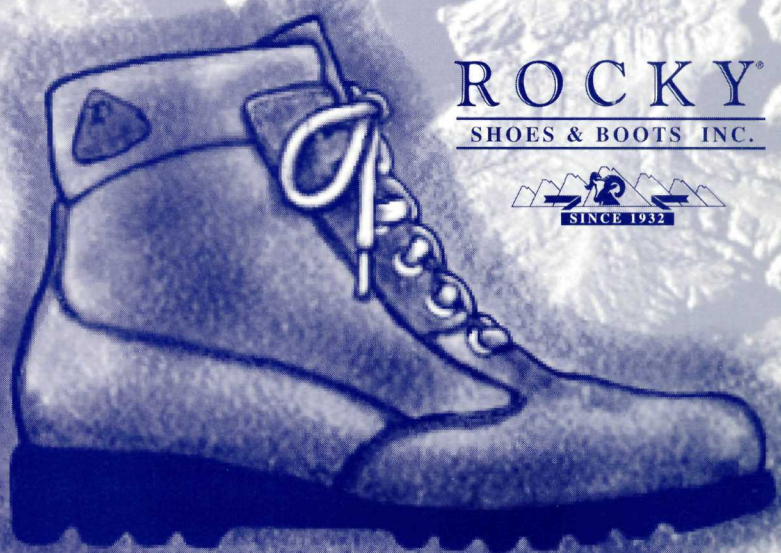
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BACKCOUNTRY HIKER FEMALE SIZE SCALE

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 SIZES IN STOCK

 SPECIAL
ORDER
SIZES



Male Lot #30500
Female Lot #40500

\$91.12

GENERAL PURPOSE HIKER MALE SIZE SCALE

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GENERAL PURPOSE HIKER FEMALE SIZE SCALE

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GEORGIA BOOT®

STYLE:

- Black Raspberry harness leather
- Leather ankle stabilizer bar
- Cushion insole
- Leather welt
- Vibram® oil-resistant lug outsole
- Welt construction
- Approved for firefighting

Male Lot #8105

\$98.50

Female Lot #3105

\$87.50



FIELD WORK BOOT MALE SIZE SCALE

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FIELD WORK BOOT FEMALE SIZE SCALE

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