



## A GUIDE TO YOUR NEW UNIFORM



Ag Coinneáil Daoine Sábháilte  
Keeping People Safe

## Message from the Commissioner

Colleagues,

It is my great pleasure to update you all on the New Uniform Project which has been ongoing within An Garda Síochána following its pilot in Tallaght, Bunclogh and Henry Street stations.

Looking ahead to the forthcoming centenary celebrations, it is symbolic that this will be just the third time in our organisation's history to upgrade the Garda uniform.

As you know, our organisation is undertaking a major process of modernisation, and our operational uniform will now reflect this important transition. It will be contemporary, while also incorporating necessary elements such as comfort, durability, protection and functionality to support your duties.

Your desire for a new uniform was made clear as part of the Garda Cultural Audit and, based on this, it became an initiative under A Policing Service For Our Future.

The new uniform, developed by the Uniform Committee in close collaboration with Gardaí nationwide, preserve the unique identity of members of An Garda Síochána and the colours most recognised by the public. For the first time, the Garda Crest will be an appropriate feature of our operational uniform.

We are all working to ensure that Ireland's national police and security service remains best placed to meet the needs of an evolving society, and embracing this re-designed, modern uniform is a visual representation of a new era in policing.

It is my hope that in receiving this new uniform, it will further enhance your sense of pride in being a member of An Garda Síochána as you go about your day-to-day duties. Projecting a professional appearance and wearing the uniform of An Garda Síochána with the deep respect it deserves are important because they underscore our overarching mission: Keeping people safe.



**JA Harris**  
Commissioner





## This new garment will replace the current fleece on issue

- Breathable windproof and waterproof membrane
- Stretch fabrics for enhanced comfort in wear
- Modern design with high level ergonomics
- Lightweight and durable
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Designed for professional wear
- Vertical side pockets with waterproof closure system
- Adjustable cuffs with touch & grip for ease of adjustment
- Internal utility pockets for documents, phone & pen
- Adjustable waist cord



Soft Shell Jacket

## Waterproof Jacket



### This new garment replaces the navy jacket currently on issue

- Tri laminate construction for optimum performance
- Breathable windproof and waterproof membrane
- Stretch fabrics for enhanced comfort in wear
- Modern design with high level ergonomics
- Lightweight and durable
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Fabrics compliant to EN 343:2019
- Rain tower tested to EN 14360
- Designed for professional wear
- Adjustable reinforced collar
- Vertical side pockets with waterproof closure system
- Adjustable cuffs with touch & grip for ease of adjustment
- Internal utility pockets for documents, phone & pen
- Adjustable waist cord



## This new garment replaces the shirt currently on issue

- Blended fabric comprising polyester, bamboo and carbon fibre
- Anti-static content
- Stretch fabrics for enhanced comfort in wear
- Moisture management with wicking materials
- Anti-microbial properties to prevent garments retaining odours
- Level 4 colour fastness to perspiration
- Modern design with high level ergonomics
- Lightweight and durable
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Designed for professional wear



## Operational Trousers



### This new style cargo pants replaces the trousers on issue

- Blended fabric comprising cotton and polyester fibres
- Rip-stop supported fabric with shower proof coating
- Anti-microbial properties to prevent garments retaining odours
- Level 4 colour fastness to washing, water and perspiration
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Modern design with high level ergonomics
- Waistband extension system
- Sewn in permanent front crease
- Utility pockets at sides
- Shirt grip at waistband
- Lightweight and durable
- Designed for professional wear

## Base Layer



### Wicking T-Shirt

- Polyester base fabric
- Anti-static content
- Stretch fabrics for enhanced comfort in wear
- Moisture management with wicking materials
- Anti-microbial properties to prevent garments retaining odours
- Level 4 colour fastness to perspiration
- Lightweight and durable
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Designed for professional wear

### Thermal T-Shirt

**This T-Shirt replaces the navy T-Shirt currently on issue**

- Cotton base fabric
- High thermal retention
- Stretch fabrics for enhanced comfort in wear
- Anti-microbial properties to prevent garments retaining odours
- Level 4 colour fastness to perspiration
- Modern design with high level ergonomics
- Lightweight and durable
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Designed for professional wear

### Long Johns

- Cotton base fabric
- High thermal retention
- Stretch fabrics for enhanced comfort in wear
- Anti-microbial properties to prevent garments retaining odours
- Level 4 colour fastness to perspiration
- Modern design with high level ergonomics
- Lightweight and durable
- High tensile strength with dimensional stability
- Designed for professional wear



## Epaulettes



**Rip Stop Epaulette  
- Navy**



**Raincoat Epaulette  
- Navy**



**Soft Shell Epaulette  
- Navy**



**High Vis Epaulette  
- Yellow**

Epaulettes will not be included in new uniform pack.

The bulk order will be delivered to Divisional Offices for distribution and replaces the current epaulettes on issue

## Kit Bag



- Main fabric: 1680D/PVC
- Toughened base with PVC cover
- 3 external bulk side pockets with zips
- 1 pocket at each end with zip (one with ID pocket)
- 4 shallow size pockets with zips
- Main dual zip with cover and tabs at each end
- 2" (5cm) wide nylon webbed carry handle with reinforced stitching at stress points and velcro handle
- 2" (5cm) wide nylon webbed shoulder strap with reinforced stitching at stress points



**Hi Vis Roads Policing  
Winter Jacket**

**Shirt, Tie,  
Trousers**

**Hi Vis  
Summer Jacket**

**Hi Vis Mountain  
Bike Jacket**

**Hi Vis  
Ballistic Vest**

**Hi Vis Winter  
Waterproof Jacket**

Items not included in new uniform pack, however they will remain part of the operational uniform.



## Care for Garments

### Polo Shirts

- Wash dark colours separately
- Warm or cold machine wash
- Do not bleach
- Do not tumble dry
- Do not dry clean
- Cool iron if required, do not iron over the transfer or screen print as the heat of the iron will melt the transfer.

### Trousers

- Machine wash in cold water on a gentle cycle
- Hand washable
- Dry cleanable, but preferably ask to launder instead
- Do not soak
- Do not tumble dry
- Hang in shade to dry – sun will fade the fabric
- If there is a small stain on your chinos, use a clean damp cloth and gently blot to remove the stain
- Make sure iron is on the cotton setting when ironing trousers

### Hi Vis Soft Shell Jackets

- Maximum washing temperature 40°C.
- Normal process and wash as synthetics.
- No bleaching allowed.
- Do not iron.
- Do not tumble dry or wring.
- Do not dry clean, cold rinse and short spin.
- No professional dry cleaning in perchloroethylene or hydrocarbons.
- Do not wash in biological powder.

### Hi Vis Waterproof Jackets

- Machine wash on cold or delicate only if indicated as safe by the garment's care tag.
- Tumble dry on low or line dry.
- Wash items inside-out.
- Do not pre-soak.
- Wash with like colors.
- Don't wash with items that have Velcro or hook and loop closures (they can catch on mesh or breathable fabric and cause tears).
- Avoid using bleach or fabric softener.
- Use a mild laundry detergent.
- Do not dry clean or iron.





Ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur  
roimh tabhairt isteach éide  
nua an Gharda Síochána. Tá a  
dhearadh agus feidhmiúlacht  
nua-aimseartha ag teacht le  
póilíneacht nua-aimseartha.  
Ba mhaith liom an deis seo a  
thapú freisin chun buíochas a  
ghabháil le gach duine a  
raibh baint acu le dearadh na  
héide. Is mór againn do  
chuid ama agus iarrachta.

*Fionnbarra O'Briain  
Coimisinéir Cúnta*