



**ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE
Office of the Dean**

Student Clothing Guidelines

Required Personal Items

Phase 1 -2

- Blue lab coats (recommendation minimum of 3)
 - You will receive one lab coat as a gift during the Professional Welcoming Ceremony
- Blue Coveralls (recommendation minimum of 3)
- Steel toed rubber boots or steel toed shoes and rubber overboots
- Safety glasses
- Magnetic name tag – Font: 30 pt Arial, no italics
- Stethoscope
 - You will receive a stethoscope as a gift during the Professional Welcoming Ceremony
- Penlight
- Digital thermometer

Phase 3

- Blue scrubs (recommendation minimum of 3)
- Above clothing for labs

Phase 4

- White lab coat OVC Smith Lane Animal and OVC Companion Animal Hospitals (recommendation minimum of 3)
 - You will receive one lab coat in during the White Coat Ceremony
- Blue coveralls and steel toed boots (Large Animal Hospital, Ruminant Field Service, Pathology)

Laundering of personal protective clothing

1. Students are expected to maintain a professional appearance for all labs and rotations. All personal protective clothing should be clean and presentable.
2. Students are expected to launder their own personal protective clothing except for clothing **with the exception of clothing worn in the post mortem room.**
3. Clothing worn in the post mortem room should not leave the change rooms. Place items in the laundry hampers labelled for OVC students. These items will be picked up by the laundry service weekly and can be picked up at the HSC laundry room the following week.

Guidelines for laundering personal protective clothing

- Clothing must not be worn to and from OVC
- Clothing that is grossly contaminated with biological material should be transported in a plastic bag
- Dirty items should be placed directly into a laundry hamper or washing machine and not placed on counter tops
- Dirty items should not be left unattended in private laundry facilities to ensure there is no cross contamination by members of the public
- Items should be washed in hot water with ample detergent
- Special circumstances
 - In households with infants or immunocompromised individuals it is particularly important that clothing worn in the hospital is kept out of contact with these individuals.

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