



Clothing Classifications

2023 - 2024

The enclosed clothing classifications are to be used for the SkillsUSA South Carolina Championships. Some alterations may have been made to the national classifications due to various reasons. Competing students in improper or unsafe clothing at competition orientations, during competitions, or at a competition debrief may result in point deductions. Technical Chairs and/or Judges may deem a competitor disqualified if the clothing creates an unsafe environment for the competitor or others. Competing students must also be in official SkillsUSA clothing from one of the classifications to go on the stage at the Closing / Awards Ceremony to receive their medal publicly. In the case that a school is unable to obtain specific clothing due to financial reasons, shipping issues, or product availability, the Lead Advisor for that chapter must contact the State Executive Director to discuss a solution. This must be done at least 7 days before the State Leadership and Skills Conference (SLSC) or 7 days prior to the competition date, if that competition occurs outside of the SLSC dates. Clothing may be judged at any point during the orientation, competition, or debrief.

These regulations refer to clothing items that are pictured and described at www.skillsusastore.org. If you have questions about clothing or other logo items, call 1-888-501-2183

Clothing Classification Instructions

Find your contest(s) from the list along with the letter associated with the Classification of Uniform required for competition. These standards are in line with current national standards with some revisions or changes for the state-level version of competitions. Please read this document carefully and the Technical Standards for your competition to ensure student competitors are wearing appropriate attire. Failure to comply with clothing requirements can result in a scoring deduction or disqualification.

You can purchase the required Blazers and SkillsUSA Official tops at their official store:

<https://skillsusastore.org/products?s%5Bf%5D%5Bc%5D%5B%5D=%2FCompetition+Apparel>

(Copy and paste URL if the link does not work.)

For questions regarding required attire and purchasing of attire you may contact the State Executive Director at jchapman@skillsusasc.org. For questions regarding a current or previous order through the SkillsUSA store, please contact the store directly at SkillsUSAStore@egroupengage.com or 888-501-2183.

Competing students must be in attire at the following:

- Competition Orientation
- During the Competition
- Competition Debriefing
- Closing / Awards Ceremony – medalist will not be allowed on stage if not in appropriate clothing
 - Non-competitors can go on stage if they are in professional clothing (example: Advisor of Year recipient), although it is preferred that they be wearing Class A attire.
 - Models must wear the proper model attire at all the same times as the competitor, except at the Closing / Awards Ceremony.

Clothing by Competition

Competition Name	Clothing
3D Visualization & Animation	E
Action Skills	A - I (depends on demo)
Additive Manufacturing	E
Advertising Design	E
American Spirit	A
Architectural Drafting	E
Audio-Radio Production	E
Automated Manufacturing Technology	C
Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair (MLR)	D
Automotive Refinishing Technology	D
Automotive Service Technology	D
Aviation Maintenance Technology	D
Baking & Pastry Arts	G
Barbering	E + Model
Basic Health Care Skills	B
Biotechnology Knowledge Bowl (State Only)	A or B or E (Team must match)
Building Maintenance	C
Cabinetmaking	C
Career Pathways - Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources	A
Career Pathways - Arts and Communication	A
Career Pathways - Business, Management and Technology	A
Career Pathways - Health Science	A
Career Pathways - Human Services	A
Career Pathways - Industrial and Engineering Technology	A
Carpentry	C
CERT Team / Emergency Preparedness (State Only)	D
Chapter Business Procedure	A
Chapter Display	A
CNC 2-Axis Turning Programmer	C
CNC 3-Axis Milling Programmer	C
CNC 5-Axis Milling Programmer	C
CNC Programmer	C
Collision Damage Appraisal	E
Collision Repair Technology	D

Clothing by Competition (continued)

Competition Name	Clothing
Commercial Roofing	C
Commercial sUAS Drone	E
Community Action Project	A
Community Service	A
Computer Programming	E
Cosmetology	F
Crime Scene Investigation	D
Criminal Justice	D
Criminal Justice Quiz Bowl (State Only)	A or E
Culinary Arts	G
Customer Service	A
Cyber Security	E
Dental Assisting	B
Diesel Equipment Technology	D
Digital Cinema Production	E
Early Childhood Education	E
Electrical Construction Wiring	C
Electronics Technology	E
Emergency Medical Technician	D
Employment Application Process	A
Engineering Technology Design	A
Entrepreneurship	A
Esports (State Only) - All 3 competitions	E or Jersey - See below
Esthetics	E + Model
Extemporaneous Speaking	A
Facilithon: Leadership in Facility Management	A
Firefighting	D + Gear
First Aid - CPR	B
Graphic Communication	E
Graphic Imaging Sublimation	E
Hair Braiding (Fantasy) - (State Only)	E + Model
Hair Braiding (Natural) - (State Only)	E + Model
Health Knowledge Bowl	A
Health Occupations Professional Portfolio	A

Esports has 3 competition choices. In each, the competitors may wear the Class E attire OR may wear their school/team jersey. The entire team must be wearing the same however. See the technical standards for that competition and the competition updates for more information.

Clothing by Competition (continued)

Competition Name	Clothing
Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration (HVACR)	C
Heavy Equipment Operator	D
Horticulture/Landscaping (State Only)	E
Industrial Motor Control	C
Information Technology Services	E
Interactive Application & Video Game Development	E
Internet of Things - Smart Home	E
Internetworking	E
Job Interview	A
Job Skill Demonstration A	A - I (depends on demo)
Job Skill Demonstration Open	A - I (depends on demo)
Marine Service Technology	D
Masonry	C
Mechatronics	C
Medical Assisting	B
Medical Math	B
Medical Terminology	B
Mobile Electronics Installation	E
Mobile Robotics Technology	E
Motorcycle Service Technology	D
Nail Care	E + Model
Nurse Assisting	B
Occupational Health and Safety - Multiple	A
Occupational Health and Safety - Single	A
Opening & Closing Ceremonies	A
Outstanding Chapter	A
Photography	E
Pin Design	A
Plumbing	D
Power Equipment Technology	D
Practical Nursing	A
Prepared Speech	A
Principles of Engineering - Technology	E
Promotional Bulletin Board	A

Clothing by Competition (continued)

Competition Name	Clothing
Quiz Bowl	A or E
Related Technical Math	E
Residential & Commercial Appliance Technology	C
Restaurant Service	H
Robotics - Urban Search and Rescue	E
Robotics and Automation Technology	C
Screen Printing Technology	E
Sheet Metal	C
T-Shirt Design	A
Tactical Response Team (State Only)	D
Team Engineering Challenge	A or E
TeamWorks	C
Technical Computer Applications	E
Technical Drafting	E
Telecommunications Cabling	E
Television (Video) Production	E
Trial Advocacy (State Only)	A
Truck Driving (State Only)	D
Video News Production	A and E (see Tech Stds)
Web Design & Development	E
Wedding Cake Decorating (State Only)	G
Welding	I
Welding Fabrication	I
Welding Sculpture	E and I

Classification Descriptions and Photos begin on the next page.

Class A: SkillsUSA Attire

- Official SkillsUSA red blazer or official SkillsUSA red jacket
- Button-up, collared, white dress shirt (accompanied by a plain, solid black tie or SkillsUSA black tie), white shirt (collarless or small-collared) or white turtleneck, with any collar not to extend into the lapel area of the blazer, sweater, windbreaker, or jacket
- Black dress slacks or black dress skirt (knee-length at a minimum)
- Black closed-toe dress shoes

Note: The official SkillsUSA windbreaker, sweater, and black Carhartt jacket are no longer available for purchase in the SkillsUSA Store. However, these clothing items are grandfathered in as previous official SkillsUSA clothing and can be worn in SkillsUSA competitions as directed in this document. Additionally, any Official red blazers with the VICA logo or the SkillsUSA VICA logo are also grandfathered in.

Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern.

Note: The Action Skills, Job Skill Demonstration A, and Job Skill Demonstration Open competition have Class A as an option. Read the technical standards and updates. If there are any questions, contact the State Executive Director.



Class B: Healthcare Attire

- Official SkillsUSA blue scrubs
- White socks or white seamless/nonpattern hose visible above the top of the shoe
- Health-professionals white or black work shoe

Note: Scrubs should fit appropriately for all health competitions and should be properly hemmed and wrinkle-free. Only plain, white collarless T-shirts may be worn underneath the scrubs. Hair must be pinned up and off the collar.

Note: Shoes must be all-white or black (no canvas/mesh) and completely enclosed (no open-toe or open-heel). Athletic-style shoes that meet the criteria are acceptable.



Class C: Competition Specific – Manufacturing/Construction Khaki Attire

- Official SkillsUSA khaki short-sleeve work shirt
- Khaki pants
- Black, brown or tan work shoes

Note: Safety glasses must have side shields or goggles. (Prescription glasses may be used only if they are equipped with side shields. If not, they must be covered with goggles.)



Class D: Competition Specific – Blue Attire

- Official SkillsUSA light blue work shirt
- Navy pants
- Black, brown or tan work safety shoes (with protective toe cap, unless otherwise specified in a competition technical standard or update).

Note: Safety glasses must have side shields or goggles. (Prescription glasses may be used only if they are equipped with side shields. If not, they must be covered with goggles.)

Note: Law and Public Safety cluster competitions have additional parameters listed in the technical standards and/or updates that are specific to competition dress in these occupational areas.



Class E: Competition Specific – Business Casual

- Official SkillsUSA white polo shirt
- Black dress slacks or black dress skirt (knee-length minimum)
- Black closed-toe dress shoes

Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern.



Class F: Competition Specific – Barbering, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Nail Care

- Official SkillsUSA white dress shirt or official white polo
- Black dress slacks
- Black work or dress shoes (non-skid and completely enclosed, no open-toe or open heel)

Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern.

Note: The official SkillsUSA white cosmetology smock or apron can be worn with a white dress shirt.



Class G: Baking and Pastry Arts / Culinary Attire

- SkillsUSA official white apron
- White chef's jacket
- Black work pants or black-and-white checkered chef's pants
- Black non-slip, non-porous shoes
- Hair restraint

Note: See the Competition Updates in reference to Chef's hats (toques) and food handlers' gloves.



Class H: Competition Specific – Restaurant Service

- Official SkillsUSA white long-sleeved dress shirt
- Black dress slacks
- Plain black tie with no pattern or SkillsUSA black tie
- Black bistro apron (optional Official SkillsUSA black bistro apron)
- Black socks
- Black non-slip, non-porous work shoes

Note: Waiter’s jackets, bow ties, vests, cummerbunds or half aprons are not permitted.



Class I: Competition Specific – Welding / Welding Fabrication

- Official SkillsUSA khaki long-sleeve work shirt (100% cotton as per OSHA regulations)
- Khaki pants (100% cotton as per OSHA regulations)
- Black, brown, or tan work shoes

Note: Safety glasses must have side shields or goggles. (Prescription glasses may be used only if they are equipped with side shields. If not, they must be covered with goggles.)



Competition Specific – Model Attire

Competitions: Action Skills, Job Skill Demonstration A, Job Skill Demonstration Open – (if using a model for any of these competitions):

- Attire must be one of the official attires (Class A-I) and be appropriate for the occupational area of demonstration.

Competitions: Barbering, Esthetics, Hair Braiding – Fantasy, Hair Braiding – Natural, Nail Care

- Shirt Options
 - Plain, black T-Shirt (in good condition)
 - Plain, black polo
 - Business appropriate, white dress shirt
 - Plain, white polo
 - Official white SkillsUSA polo
 - Official white SkillsUSA shell
- Black dress slacks
- Black dress shoes
- Jewelry should follow technical standards and competition updates. If not listed, it is best to wear none or limited.

Note: Any other competition requiring or allowing a model should follow the Competition Technical Standards and Competition Updates.

Note: Any competition allowing models to change their attire as a part of the competition will be noted in the Competition Technical Standards or Competition Updates.

Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern.