



BOOTS FOR INCOMING CADETS

Overview

New Cadets are required to arrive with one pair of properly fitting boots selected from the list of authorized boots below.

Boots may be purchased from a variety of sources, including online/brick & mortar retailers or the VMI Military Store, located in Richardson Hall and open M-F, 0730-1530. Beginning at the end of May, summer hours for the store are the same except for Fridays, they will close at 1200. The store is closed June 15th to June 30th for inventory and auditing purposes. The Military Store sells Belleville Unisex C390 boots and offers a comprehensive fitting service. Cadets attending STP will be afforded the opportunity to utilize this service, if desired. Payment for boots purchased through the Military Store will be due within one week of fitting and is not covered by scholarships.

New Cadets arriving with unauthorized boots, to include those with USMC markings or zippers, will be directed to the Military Store to purchase the correct style during Matriculation Week.

Sizing/ Fit

Proper fit is critical to preventing injury and maximizing training time during Matriculation Week and beyond. Videos on proper fit and wear of combat boots can be found on the [What to Bring](#) page.

Specific sizing recommendations:

- Boots marked as unisex are listed in men's sizes.
- Belleville recommends men order unisex boots 1-1½ sizes smaller than their normal shoe size and women order unisex boots 3-3½ sizes smaller than their normal shoe size.
- Belleville recommends women order female-specific boots 2 sizes smaller than their normal shoe size.
- Women are not required to purchase female-specific boots.
- New Cadets with shoe sizes that fall outside the range of the sizes listed below should contact the Military Store for assistance, at 540-464-7303 or auxservices@vmi.edu.

Authorized Boots

<u>Belleville C390: Hot Weather Combat</u> Unisex Sizes: 2-16 Widths: Narrow, Regular, Wide, Extra Wide <u>Belleville FC390 (Women's)</u> Women's Sizes: 4-10 Widths: Regular, Wide * Standard issue boot in a wide range of sizes	<u>Belleville C320: One Xero Ultra-Light Assault</u> Unisex Sizes: 4-14 Widths: Regular, Wide <u>Belleville FC320 (Women's)</u> Women's Sizes: 4-10 Widths: Regular, Wide * Ultra-light (20 oz per boot)
<u>TR by Belleville Khyber II TR550 Multi Terrain</u> Unisex Sizes: 4-15 Widths: Regular, Wide * All-terrain, lightweight boot	<u>Belleville Sabre C333 Hot Weather Hybrid</u> Unisex Sizes 4-14 Widths: Regular, Wide * Lightweight, comfort-focused boot