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Tailoring Standards

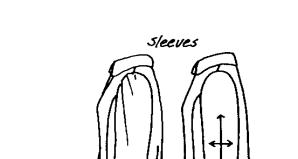
A tailored garment should be a wonderfully constructed work of art. It is important to strive toward the following:

Neckline: Collar lies against coat with no seam or under collar showing on outer edge. Collar covers back seam at neckline.

Lapels and Collar: Points are the same length and shape on right and left side of jacket.



Chest Area: No wrinkles or pulling when coat is closed. Grainlines are parallel or perpendicular to the floor.



Sleeves: Set-in sleeves are eased so that the cap is

smooth and there are no visible puckers or

wrinkles. Lengthwise grainline is perpendicular to floor and horizontal grainline is parallel to floor.

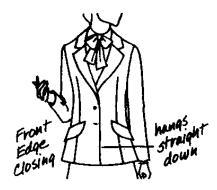
Side Seams: Should be perpendicular to floor.

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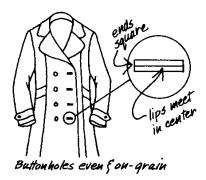
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Front Edge Closing: Hangs straight down with no swinging to either side.



Darts: Tapered to a sharp point and pressed over a curved surface (hem or seam roll) to fit body contour.

Buttonholes: Constructed on-grain and are an appropriate length for button. They are the same length and evenly spaced. The ends of tailored buttonholes are squared. The lips of bound buttonholes are narrow and meet in the center.



Hems: Constructed to be smooth, inconspicuous and parallel to the floor. No hand stitches are showing.



Pockets: Evenly spaced from hemline and center front.

Lining: Should have some ease at center back, hemline and around edges. Should be inconspicious from right side of the garment.



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