

If you are playing with KOMC, you should have these items as part of your uniform and instrument kit.

If you want to use a vendor besides the one listed, check with the Pipe Major first. You'll save us all time and yourself money.

- **Shirt**
 - Black military shirt
 - Proper Battle-Rip Dress Shirt. We bought them through this website:
 - <http://tacticalgear.com/propper-long-sleeve-tactical-dress-shirts-black>
 - <https://www.propper.com/tactical-dress-shirt-long-sleeve.html>
 - KOMC T-shirt or solid black t-shirt
- **Hat**
 - Black balmoral or glengarry – <http://thepipershut.com>
 - No dicing
 - Black torry (the little ball on the top).
 - If your hat has any other color torry, please remove it, dye it black, or you can replace it with one from Hobby Lobby.
 - Clan badge is fine
 - No other adornment
- **Hose (socks)**
 - Black Pipers Hose
 - Piper Hose is the name of the particular style/brand. Get them in black. https://www.thepipershut.com/Black-Piper-Hose_p_341.html
 - Lovat Green for St. Patricks' Day – https://www.thepipershut.com/Lovat-Green-Piper-Hose_p_907.html
- **Shoes**
 - Black, comfortable shoes. Solid black tennis/running shoes are fine.
 - No boots.
 - **Small Group:** Black Ghillie Brogues marching Sole. These are good: Ask if you should buy them for KOMC before you do.
 - https://www.thepipershut.com/Ghillies-Laces-Tassles-Spats_c_133.html
 - Don't buy the cheap ones – you get what you pay for...

Sporrans and belts

- Black Sporrans with minimal bling (silver)
 - Black sporrans of your choice (just dig around the internet and see what you find that you like.. The Pipers Hut has several.
 - You should be able to get a decent, usable one for under \$100;
- Black Belt
 - Embossed is optional
 - buckle is your choice
- **Vests for small Group)**
 - <https://www.thepipershut.com/>
- **Kilts**
 - Your family tartan, or a tartan that you like.
 - PLEASE don't buy one without checking with the Pipe Major. There is a LOT of junk out there, just like with pipes and drums. If what you buy looks like crap, you won't be able to wear it.
- **Flashes/garters (optional/future)**
 - Required: **Mid-grey** traditional tie garter <https://scottishtartansgiftshop.com/shop/mens/footwear/traditional-garter-ties/>
 - Required: Orange traditional tie garter <https://www.cordings.co.uk/us/orange-merino-garter-tie.html> I'm looking for a better price, so hold off on the orange ones.
- **Sgian Dubh (sock knife) pronounced skeen doo (optional)**
 - Your choice. You don't have to have one.

- **Rain Cape**

- Inverness Capes (will be required in 2016)
- Steve recommends getting the hood. It keeps the cold, icy rain off of the back of your neck.
- https://www.thepipershut.com/Rain-Capes_c_136.html
- <https://www.hendersongrouppltd.com/product-category/highland-wear/inverness-capes/>

Instruments

PIPERS

- You should have the following things in your pipe bag.
 - Black hemp (carry in your sporran)
 - Yellow hemp
 - Chanter tape (1/4" black auto pinstripe tape works very well in Louisiana) (carry in your sporran)
 - A new, spare set of drone reeds
 - **2** (two) extra BAND chanter reeds that you are working in anticipation of your current reed dying in the middle of a performance. (carry in your sporran during band gigs)
 - 2 MORE for your regular chanter.

DRUMMERS

- Spare sticks/mallets
- Spare drum head(s)
- Whatever else you know might break on your instrument and need to be replaced in a hurry.

Your opinions on any of these items is welcomed.