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ITEM
Helicopter Unit Patch

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ITEM: **MARINE AND HELICOPTER UNIT – HELICOPTER OPERATIONS PATCH**
(Unit Designator)

MATERIAL:

Fabric: Background material shall be 7-8 oz. /yd., 65/35 % polyester/cotton twill.

Thread: Colorfast super-strength rayon yarn vat-dyed in corresponding colors of the appropriate patch in Pantone® colors or equivalent and applicable standards.

Colors Grey # 650C
Black # 5596C

EMBROIDERING: All patches shall be machine-embroidered with starched or plastic film backing and crinoline or buckram underlayer. There shall be no bleeding, running, or fading of colors. All edges will be merrowed in corresponding color of patch or lettering. Black merrowed edges are optional.

DIMENSIONS: PATCHES: Patches will be of the “squadron” style, consisting of a circular center piece with attached upper and lower banners. Overall height will be 4 inches. The diameter of the center circle will be 3 ¼ inches. The patch will be 3 ¾ inches wide measured from outer edges of the attached banners. The upper banner will read: “CHICAGO · COOK COUNTY” and the lower banner will read: “HELICOPTER TASK FORCE.” The patch will consist of muted grey thread on a black background. The central image will consist of a helicopter with the word “POLICE” visible on its side, flying in front of a representation of the Chicago skyline and with an activated searchlight pointing downward.

LETTERING: Lettering on the banners will be ¼ inch tall and be in block print

FINISHING: Professional finish and workmanship with laser cutting to exact size and shape of the approved design.



**AUTHORIZATION/
RESTRICTIONS:**

These approved embroidered identifiers:

1. are approved for **current members of Helicopter Operations only**.
2. are authorized for wear on navy-blue flight suits **only**.
3. cannot be worn on any other approved uniform item.

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