

## **K.u.K. IR 61 Approved Vendor List:**

**Priority Codes: P-1, to be purchased within 6 months; P-2 to be purchased with one year; P-3, to be purchased within 18 months; P-4, optional.**

### **Uniforms:**

**Tunic (Muster 1916 *Einheitsbluse*):** *Feldgrau*, with stand-and-fall collar; Schipperfabrik. Regimental collar stripe in *grassgrün*. Collar stripes will be issued. **P-1**

**Pants (Muster 1915 *Kniehosen*):** Schipperfabrik (preferred). Acceptable Alternates: Un-piped German pants in *feldgrau*, Schipperfabrik or Hessen. **P-1**

**Feldkappe** (Muster 1915): Schipperfabrik (other sources with prior approval of unit commander). Cap should have “K” cockade in dull grey metal, Militarie-Replicky. **P-1**

**Shirt** (collarless white or off-white linen or cotton): Militarie-Replicky (preferred) or Schipperfabrik. Acceptable alternatives: IR23-approved German pattern shirts. **P-1**

**Shoes:** K.u.K. ankle boots, Mattimore Harness (CivilWarBoots.com). Acceptable alternatives: IR23-approved German-pattern ankle boots. Ankle boots are to be worn with *feldgrau* puttees from Schipperfabrik. **P-1**

**Belt:** Single-tongue roller-buckle belt, brown/natural leather, with black lacquered buckle, Militarie-Replicky (preferred) or brown/natural leather belt with dulled model 1888 buckle, Schipperfabrik. **P-1**

**Neck stock:** Austrian pattern, Militarie-Replicky. **P-3**

**Greatcoat:** Austrian M15, Schipperfabrik. **P-3**

### **Weapons:**

**Rifle:** Steyr-Mannlicher M95 straight-pull, rifle or carbine in 8x50R or 8x56R. Gun Shows, on-line auctions, some may still be available from Big 5 stores. **P-2**

**Bayonet:** Austrian M95 bayonet. Originals are available at gun shows, on-line auctions, etc. Ersatz “twist” bayonet from IMA are acceptable (note—these do not come with scabbards). Soldiers with the rank of Gefrieter or higher may wear NCO bayonets. **P-1**

**Pistols:** MG crews may carry handguns; handguns may also be used for nighttime trench raids (they are not to be worn for line-up or parades except by NCOs). Acceptable handguns are: Steyr M12, Roth-Steyr M07, Rast-Gasser M98, Gasser M70, Frommer Stop (7.65 or 9mm). **P-4**

## **Field Gear:**

**Helmet:** Austrian M17, painted “Isonzo Braun;” Alexander & Sons (occasionally available from Hessen). German M16 (original or repro) may be substituted, but must have an Austrian-style cloth chin strap (Militarie-Replicky or Prairie Flower) and either be painted Isonzo Braun or worn with an Austrian-style cover (Militarie-Replicky). **P-2**

**Ammo Pouches:** Twin-cell M95 pouches in brown/natural leather, Militarie-Replicky or Schipperfabrik. (Bulgarian M95 pouches are not acceptable.) **P-2**

**Bayonet Frog:** M95 pattern, leather or ersatz material, Militarie-Replicky or Schipperfabrik. Other sources with prior approval of CO. **P-2**

**Breadbag:** Austrian pattern with shoulder strap and internal canteen pocket, Militarie-Replicky, Schipperfabrik or Hadibolt (eBay Store). **P-1**

**Canteen:** Aluminum 1909 model or enameled 1912 model; these are difficult to come by, and often in unusable condition. Post-war Austrian and Czech enameled canteens may be used with linen covers. Swiss M32 canteens (Hessen or Sportsman’s Guide) may be used if carried in the breadbag. Carrying straps (linen or leather) and linen covers for the 1912 are available from Militarie-Replicky. **P-1**

**Cups:** M12 cups are virtually “unobtainium,” so graniteware enameled cups or Swiss M17/32 aluminum cups may be substituted. **P-1**

**Mess kit:** M1899 (round) or M1912 (square) type, in tinned or enameled iron. Original are very difficult to find, expensive, and often unusable. Repro M1899s are occasionally available from Militarie-Replicky. Bulgarian mess kits (basically an aluminum version of the M1899) may be substituted, but must be used with a cover. Bulgarian mess kits are available from Sportsman’s Guide, covers from Militarie-Replicky. **P-2**

**Utensils:** German-style “spork,” Schipperfabrik or Hessen, or plain knife, fork and spoon from a CW sutler. **P-2**

**Gas Mask:** German pattern “Gummimask” from Schipperfabrik, with metal can (Schipperfabrik, Hessen or Militarie-Replicky). **P-2**

**Shovel w/Carrier:** Pointed shovel, can be found on eBay. Carriers from Schipperfabrik or Militarie-Replicky. (Do not use Bulgarian carriers). **P-3**

**Rucksack:** Austrian style, Militarie-Replicky or Schipperfabrik. **P-3**

**Zeltbahn:** Austrian trapezoidal style, Schipperfabrik. “Sardine” style tent pegs. Modified German-style tent poles may be used. **P-4**

**Blanket:** Plain, military-style wool blanket in grey or grey-green. **P-3**

**Greatcoat/Zeltbahn Straps:** Set of 4 double-buckle and 2 single buckle straps for attaching the greatcoat and zeltbahn to the rucksack. Post-war Hungarian or Czech strap are acceptable. Currently available from Sportsman's Guide. **P-4**

**I.D. Capsule:** Brass or steel capsule for paper I.D. insert (carried tied into a pocket in the trousers). No repros that I know of, so it's hunt for an original on eBay. Insert forms will be issued. **P-3**

**There are many personal items that are useful in the field and add greatly to an accurate impression. Consult with your unit commander for suggestions. When in doubt, always confirm that an item is period-appropriate before making a purchase.**