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All participants of Polarstern expeditions will be equipped by AWI with polar clothing. You may choose the equipment from the list. Individual clothing with other items is not envisaged.

How to get your polar clothing:

Download the clothing list which can be found in the Expedition Interface System - EIS. Fill in your requirements, upload it in EIS and then your list will be checked, signed and handed over to the clothing storehouse.

Afterwards make an appointment with the colleagues in the storehouse for fitting the clothing. The last possible time for fitting is to be found in the EIS.

Fitting the clothing in the storehouse is strongly recommended because some of the polar clothing has an unusual style and may fit badly if not tried on but only ordered by list.

You should plan about 1 hour for fitting. The kit bags with your clothing will be brought onboard for you.

Please contact one of the contact persons if you have special demands on clothing.

Contacts

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Important

Due to Polar Code Regulations AWI is obliged to supply **all** polar expedition participants with (at least) the following items:

- Duffle bag,
- Tempex polar overall (lined),
- gloves (thermal),
- cap (wool),
- socks,
- boots (insulated, lined),
- sun blocker and
- ski goggles.

You will find the clothing items shown below in the clothing list. The list is based on many years of experience and covers a wide range of requirements.

It is advised to wear well-fitting clothes after onion skin principle. It is crucial to try all pieces of clothing in the storehouse and ask for well-fitting sizes.



Safety helmets, safety vests and survival suits demanded for helicopter flights over water are present onboard.

If you are using the dinghy or work close to or in the water you definitely need a dry suit from the clothing storehouse. Mandatory with the dry suit are warm socks and thermo insoles. Ask for them!



Woolen cap



Water proof trousers and jacket with light padding;
Usable for wet and dirty works on deck or simply for regions not too cold.



Warm woolen pullover; high collar with zipper



Winter cap; warm, padded, with ear protection



Gloves (from upper left to lower right):

- thin gloves for wearing underneath or for having more freedom of movement
- warm gloves, padded, used for skidoo rides etc.
- thin leather gloves
- padded working gloves



Underclothes; long, warm



Rubber boots; padded with steel caps, used for wet works on deck.



Working gloves; waterproof, lightly padded, used for cold and wet works on deck or on the ice.



Fleece trousers; warm and windproof, for wearing underneath



Woolen socks



Fleece jacket; warm and windproof, for wearing underneath



Balaclava; for protection of the face in case of strong wind and coldness.



Down vest for wearing above or underneath



Ski goggles for protection of the eyes against sun light and drifting snow.



Boots; padded with steel caps (so called Salzgitter boots)
Standard boots for nearly all weather conditions. You should order them at least one size bigger than normal because of wearing thick socks or socks of the survival suits with them.



Dry suit; isolated with several hours thermal isolation in cold water. Used for works close to or in the water, during dinghy cruises, works in melting pools or on the ice edge etc..

***Attention:** The boots are not padded! You need to wear a thermal insole and warm socks with them.*



Working suit for cold and windy weather (so called Tempex); Standard clothing for a wide range of applications.



Thermal insoles for the dry suit.



Boots; padded and waterproofed in the lower part. Used in case it gets really cold and for longer works on the ice.



Parka; warm and padded winter jacket.