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The U.S. Embassy advises all U.S. citizens in Uganda to exercise increased caution and attention to the wearing of clothing which could be perceived as "military" in nature by Ugandan police and military authorities. Section 160 of The Uganda People's Defence Forces Act of 2005 requires that members of the public refrain from the wearing of any items which may be perceived by authorities as military in nature. The Act stipulates that only items "likely to deceive the public" are prohibited, however the U.S. Embassy is aware of incidents in which Ugandan authorities have stopped and questioned persons wearing or possessing military style clothing. These items, which may seem innocuous to American sensibilities, may include:

- Civilian clothing items with camouflage patterns of all colors to include fluorescent and neon (hats, shirts, pants, shorts, jackets, etc.);
- Dress items of khaki, green, blue, and red clothing with accourrements which may resemble military attire.

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