

## Alteration Instructions for Tuxedo Trousers

Tuxedo trousers are part of the uniform for both Symphonic and Concert Bands. Please try on the pants immediately with marching shoes for measuring and fitting; contact the Uniform Committee if you have fitting problems. All new pants come from the factory without hems and will need to be hemmed, **NOT** pinned, before the first performance in February at District Contest.

The waistband of the pants is designed to be worn 2" below the "belly-button" in the front. This gives a more classic or "old-fashioned" look rather than a more modern or casual fit, especially when worn with the required suspenders. There are no belt loops. The waist size has a 3" adjustment by using the clips at the waist.

The pants should be hemmed in the traditional style of formal wear with the front crease hanging vertically straight, without wrinkling. The hem barely touches the top of the shoe in the front and comes about midway to the heel in the back. (See illustration.)

Try not to cut off the excess hem allowance if the pants might be lengthened or sold to another band member in the future. Dry clean as necessary. Please refer to the price sheet as a reminder of what to wear, such as, black socks, bow-tie, suit bag, white, long-sleeved dress shirt, etc.

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