

## Dress for Success Guide

A Resource for Professional Presentation



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## **Dress for Success**

The art of creating a positive first impression

First impression is key for your interview. Appropriate attire show perspective employers that you are serious about getting the job. Be sure to have your suit cleaned and pressed before each interview and lay out your clothing the night before. Also make sure that your suit is tailored to your shape and is the proper length.

## For Men:

- 2 piece matched suit
- Dark, solid colors (in style)
- Long sleeved collared shirt and tie (no bowtie)
- Hair should be neat and combed, facial hair should be minimal
- Make sure you practice good hygiene and wear minimal cologne



Ties should be good quality silk ties (not clip-ons) and be minimal in design, belt should be leather and match your shoes



Shoes should be black or deep brown, shined and polished, socks should be mid-calf, match your pants and not visible when you sit down



## For Women:

- 2 piece matched suit (pants or knee-length skirt)
- Dark, solid colors (in style)
- Do not wear any revealing shirts underneath
- Keep accessories simple and hair down (no pony tail)
- Makeup should be natural looking, minimal perfume, and keep good hygiene
- Avoid carrying a handbag into an interview



Shoes should be solid color, closed toed and comfortable to walk in (no stilettos or platforms), hosiery should be neutral



Hands should be natural looking and well manicured

