

1285.—Uniform—Officers—Badges of Rank for Wear on Flying Clothing and Foul-Weather Clothing

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Badges of rank are to be worn by officers on the shoulders of flying overalls and immersion suits in accordance with the arrangements detailed below.

2. A new type of shoulder badge has been introduced for this purpose and will be provided from Service sources. It consists of the badge of rank woven on to a strip of soft material to fit over the shoulder-flap of the garment and fasten with press fasteners.

3. Flaps of appropriate size to take the shoulder badges should be made from Cloth, cotton, L.28, and attached to immersion suits by means of Solution, rubber, K.B.62: they should *not* be sewn on. Modification of immersion suits for this purpose should be done locally by Safety Equipment Sections.

4. An initial gratuitous issue of one pair of these shoulder badges of appropriate rank is to be made to officers at present carrying out flying duties or on first appointment for such duties in future. A further gratuitous issue of one pair of these badges is also to be made to officers required to wear them, on each occasion of promotion in future to higher rank up to and including Captain. All gratuitous issues are to be recorded in Officers' pay books.

5. These badges are also intended for wear on foul-weather clothing and are to be issued for this purpose in future under the arrangements laid down in B.R. 93 (Victualling Manual), Appendix 63, paragraph 13, instead of the Straps, shoulder, woven, for foul-weather clothing, hitherto provided. The latter are now obsolescent and any stocks held by ships and establishments should be returned to H.M. Victualling Depot, Beehive Mill, Bolton, Lancs.

6. The new-pattern badges, which will be known as Shoulder Badges for Flying Clothing and Foul-Weather Clothing, may be taken up on repayment at the issuing prices shown below.

<i>Vocab. No.</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>Denom.</i>	<i>Issuing Price free of Purchase Tax s. d.</i>	<i>Issuing Price including Purchase Tax s. d.</i>
42301	Captain	6 0	6 4
42304	Commander		
42307	Lieutenant Commander		
42310	Lieutenant		
42313	Sub-Lieutenant		

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