

**\*1666.—Uniform—Badges—Naval Airman and Naval Air Mechanic Branches**  
(V.2A/62/1/56.—28 Jun. 1957.)

With reference to A.F.O. 2996/56 (*title as above*), stocks of Naval Airman and Naval Air Mechanic branch badges incorporating the aeroplane device and distinguishing letters are now available as set out in the Appendix to this Order. The issuing prices are shown in A.F.O. 643/57 (*Clothing, Soap and Tobacco—Issuing Prices, Kit Upkeep Allowances, etc.*).

2. Issues of these badges on the basis set out in paragraph 2 of A.F.O. 2996/56 should be made to ratings on categorisation in future in lieu of the spare letter badges which have been provided hitherto. Free issues are not to be made to ratings who have already received a free issue of spare letter badges. The spare letter badges listed in A.F.O. 2996/56, paragraph 4, are now obsolescent and any stocks held should be returned to the Victualling Yards.

		APPENDIX				
		<i>Distinguishing letters</i>	<i>Vocab. Nos. Printed</i>			
<i>Category</i>			<i>Red*</i>	<i>Blue*</i>	<i>Gold†</i>	
Naval Airmen	Aircraft Handler	H	32227	33227	31227	
	Safety Equipment	SE	32228	33228	31228	
	Met. Observer ..	MET	32232	33232	31232	
	Photographer ..	P	32233	33233	31233	
Naval Air Mech- anics	(A) .. ..	A	32229	33229	31229	
	(E) .. ..	E	32230	33230	31230	
	(O) .. ..	O	32231	33231	31231	

\* Available from S.V.S.O., Northern Area and S.V.S.O., Southern Area.

† Available from S.V.S.O., Northern Area only.

(A.F.Os. 2996/56 and 643/57.)