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## SPECIAL ISSUE

STORES—CLOTHING—ISSUING PRICES,  
KIT UPKEEP ALLOWANCES, ETC.

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## IV. EQUIPMENT, STORES AND SERVICING

### 185/78. STORES—CLOTHING—ISSUING PRICES, KIT UPKEEP ALLOWANCES, ETC. (U)

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1. The issuing prices of clothing have been reviewed in the light of current costs and revised prices are shown in ANNEXES B to I of this DCI.
2. The rates of Kit Upkeep Allowance (KUA), Clothing Gratuities etc have been recalculated and the new rates and amounts are set out in ANNEX A.
3. The revised rates of KUA will apply *from 1 April 1978* and the new issuing prices are to be brought into force at the earliest possible date thereafter but *not later than 1 May 1978*.
4. The various price lists, rate of allowances etc are shown in the ANNEXES as follows:

ANNEX A: Kit Upkeep Allowances, Clothing Gratuities etc:

- a. Naval ratings.
- b. Royal Marines.
- c. WRNS ratings.
- d. Naval nurses (QARNNS).

ANNEX B: Issuing prices of seamen's clothing.

ANNEX C: Issuing prices of Royal Marines' clothing.

ANNEX D: Issuing prices of WRNS clothing.

ANNEX E: Issuing prices of Naval nurses' (QARNNS) clothing.

ANNEX F: Issuing prices of Naval officers' clothing.

ANNEX G: Issuing prices of RM officers' clothing.

ANNEX H: Issuing prices of WRNS officers' clothing.

ANNEX I: Issuing prices of QARNNS officers' clothing.

5. VAT is to be charged on the sale of all cash clothing except:
  - a. In fleet establishments abroad.
  - b. In HM ships outside territorial waters for more than 15 days.
  - c. Where items are being purchased under the Personal Export Scheme (*see BR 96 Article 0968*).

*Notes.* 1. The letter 'O' after a description indicates that the item has been declared obsolescent and will be available from Service sources only whilst stocks remain.

2. The symbol ← denotes price or rate change.



## ANNEX C

## ISSUING PRICES OF ROYAL MARINES' CLOTHING

<i>Vocab</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>D of Q</i>	<i>VAT excl price £</i>	<i>VAT £</i>	<i>VAT incl price £</i>
70105	Bag, linen, brown .. .. .	No	0.78	0.06	0.84
70143-5	* Belt, corps, RM .. .. .	No	1.65	0.13	1.78
70181-95	Beret, blue, RM .. .. .	No	2.35	0.19	2.54
70231-45	* Beret, green, RM .. .. .	No	2.20	0.18	2.38
70535-61	Boots, ankle, Army pattern .. .. .	Pr	9.00	0.72	9.72
70507-30	Boots, ankle, DMS .. .. .	Pr	7.70	0.62	8.32
70497-505	Boots, ankle, DMS, insole for .. .. .	Pr	0.47	0.04	0.51
70599	Brush, button, brass, 0.41 .. .. .	No	0.49	0.04	0.53
70600	Cane, walking out .. .. .	No	0.63	0.05	0.68
70601-4	* Cap, plastic, RM .. .. .	No	4.45	0.36	4.81
70815	Disc, identity, green .. .. .	No	0.01	—	0.01
21171	Disc, identity, cord for .. .. .	Me	0.01	—	0.01
71010-6	Garter tabs, dark blue, green, light blue, old gold, old gold and scarlet, scarlet and white .. .. .	Pr	0.40	0.03	0.43
70930-5	* Gloves, cotton, white, RM .. .. .	Pr	1.00	0.08	1.08
70920-4	* Gloves, knitted, polyester, olive drab .. .. .	Pr	1.20	0.10	1.30
71075	Holdall .. .. .	No	1.25	0.10	1.35
71219-3	* Jersey, wool, heavy .. .. .	No	4.15	0.33	4.48
7340-99- 137-8668	* Knife, fork and spoon combined .. .. .	No	0.28	0.02	0.30



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Vocab	Description	D of Q	VAT excl price £	VAT £	VAT incl price £
71280	Laces, nylon, black .. .. .	Pr	0.03	—	—
71298	* Lanyard, Army pattern .. .. .	No	0.04	—	0.03
71300-6	Lanyard, green, dark blue, light blue, old gold, old gold and scarlet, scarlet and white .. .. .	Y No	0.66	0.05	0.04
71374-93	Pantaloon, Bedford cord .. .. .	O Pr	13.10	1.05	0.71
71431	Patch, scarlet, for berets .. .. .	No	0.02	—	14.15
71530-50	Raincoat, man's, RM .. .. .	Y No	17.90	1.43	0.02
71565-8	Sash, worsted .. .. .	Y No	3.60	0.29	19.33
71615-8	Shirt, man's, combat .. .. .	Y No	4.45	0.36	3.89
71570-9	* Shirt, man's, tropical, stone .. .. .	Y No	3.95	0.32	4.81
71771-82	* Shorts, khaki drill .. .. .	Y Pr	2.70	0.22	4.27
21820-7	Shorts, PT, blue .. .. .	Y Pr	1.45	0.12	2.92
71839-47	Socks, GS, polyester staple fibre, olive drab .. .. .	Y Pr	0.50	0.04	1.57
71875-9	* Stockings, wool, thin, khaki, No 2, A25 .. .. .	Y Pr	0.69	0.06	0.54
71998-2018	Suit, lovat serge, solid worsted, RM .. .. .	Y No	27.60	2.21	0.75
71899	Tie, worsted, braid, drab .. .. .	Y No	0.09	0.01	29.81
71901-48	Trousers, drill, khaki, RM .. .. .	O Pr	2.70	0.22	0.10
72280-302	Trousers, lovat worsted, barrack dress, NSR .. .. .	Y Pr	7.25	0.58	2.92
	Trousers, lovat worsted (made to mea- sure) .. .. .	Y Pr	9.75	0.78	7.83
72569-608	Trousers, men's, No 1 dress, RM .. .. .	Y Pr	8.45	0.68	10.53
72619-658	Trousers, men's, No 1 dress, RM Bands- men .. .. .	Y Pr	8.60	0.69	9.13
72311-58	Trousers, tweed .. .. .	O Pr	13.99	1.12	9.29
72770-809	† Tunic, men's, No 1 dress .. .. .	Y No	17.45	1.40	15.07
72701-60	Tunic, serge .. .. .	O No	12.50	1.00	18.85
72931-55	Uniform, man's, tropical, stone .. .. .	Y No	18.75	1.50	13.50
72923-6	Vest, cotton, gymnasium, RM, T279B .. .. .	No	0.85	0.07	20.25
	<b>Loan clothing</b>				
73395	Comforter, cap .. .. .	O No	0.72	0.06	0.92
	<b>Fittings for white helmets</b>				
73720	Ball ornaments, GM .. .. .	Y No	1.50	0.12	1.62
73722	Chain, chin, GM .. .. .	Y No	3.40	0.27	3.67
73724	Front plate, GM .. .. .	Y No	0.35	0.03	0.38
73905	Net, camouflage, for helmets .. .. .	Y No	0.10	0.01	0.11
74075	Puttees, short .. .. .	Y Pr	1.00	0.08	1.08
74485	Veil, camouflage .. .. .	Y No	1.00	0.08	1.08
	<b>Materials</b>				
75170	Buckle, aluminium alloy, 2 prong .. .. .	Y No	0.13	0.01	0.14
75175	Buckle, bronze, 2 pronged, 2 in .. .. .	Y No	0.32	0.03	0.35
	<b>Buttons</b>				
75315	Buttons, RM, anodized, large .. .. .	Y No	0.06	0.01	0.07
75317	Buttons, RM, anodized, small .. .. .	Y No	0.05	—	0.05
75322	Buttons, RM, bronze, large .. .. .	Y No	0.08	0.01	0.09
75324	Buttons, RM, bronze, small .. .. .	Y No	0.07	0.01	0.08
75345	Buttons, VI, drab, for denims .. .. .	Y No	0.01	—	0.01
75790	Hook, (waist) belt (for No 6 dress), 73.5 cm .. .. .	No	0.01	—	0.01
76010	Ring, split .. .. .	No	0.01	—	0.01



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Vocab	Description	D of Q	VAT excl price £	VAT £	VAT incl price £
	<b>Badges</b>				
	<i>Rank, specialist, skill or other special badges</i>				
	Other than gold on blue, gold on green, or metal .. .. .	No	0.13	0.01	0.14
	<i>Gold on green</i>				
	Badge consisting of basic device only..	✓ No	0.77	0.06	0.83
	§ Badge consisting of basic device and one star .. .. .	✓ No	0.87	0.07	0.94
	§ Badge consisting of basic device and two stars .. .. .	No	1.30	0.10	1.40
	§ Badge consisting of basic device and crown .. .. .	✓ No	1.25	0.10	1.35
	§ Badge consisting of basic device, crown and two stars .. .. .	No	1.45	0.12	1.57
39917	Badge, RSM (Royal Arms) .. .. .	✓ No	2.25	0.18	2.43
39921	Badge, QMS (Crown in Wreath) .. .. .	✓ No	1.65	0.13	1.78
39922	Badge, Colour Sergeant (Crown) .. .. .	✓ No	0.69	0.06	0.75
39923	Badge, Bandmaster and Band Ranks (Lyre with Oak Leaves below, Crown above) .. .. .	✓ No	0.83	0.07	0.90
39924	Bandmaster of Staff Band (Lyre) .. .. .	✓ No	0.78	0.06	0.84
39925	Badge, Bugle Major .. .. .	✓ No	2.25	0.18	2.43
39926	Badge, Drum, for Drum Majors and Buglers .. .. .	✓ No	1.35	0.11	1.46
39929	Badge, Staff Bandmaster (Lyre in Wreath surmounted by Crown) .. .. .	✓ No	2.55	0.20	2.75
39974	King's badge (Royal Cypher GRV) .. .. .	✓ No	1.40	0.11	1.51
39975	Badge, parachutist .. .. .	✓ No	1.05	0.08	1.13
	<i>Gold on blue</i>				
31921	Badge, QMS (Crown in Wreath) .. .. .	✓ No	1.15	0.09	1.24
31923	Badge, Bandmaster and Band Ranks (Lyre with Oak Leaves below, Crown above) .. .. .	✓ No	2.50	0.20	2.70
31801	Badge, Lyre, Oak Leaves below .. .. .	✓ No	0.43	0.04	0.47
31924	Badge, Bandmaster of Staff Bands .. .. .	✓ No	2.10	0.17	2.27
31925	Badge, Bugle Major (Bugle) .. .. .	✓ No	1.00	0.08	1.08
31926	Badge, Drummer (Drum) .. .. .	✓ No	1.15	0.09	1.24
31927	Badge, Arm, Colour Sergeant .. .. .	✓ No	3.05	0.24	3.29
31929	* Badge, Staff Bandmaster (Lyre in Wreath surmounted by Crown) .. .. .	✓ No	3.30	0.26	3.56
31974	Badge, King's (Royal Cypher GRV) .. .. .	✓ No	1.10	0.09	1.19
31975	Badge, parachutist .. .. .	✓ No	1.40	0.11	1.51
31419	Flash, Royal Yacht .. .. .	✓ No	1.35	0.11	1.46
	<i>Anodized</i>				
38900	Badge, Lion and Crown (with pin) .. .. .	✓ No	0.35	0.03	0.38
38902	* Badge, Globe and Laurel, Lion and Crown .. .. .	✓ No	0.24	0.02	0.26
38910	* Badge, Globe and Laurel .. .. .	✓ No	0.16	0.01	0.17
38911	Badge, Lyre .. .. .	✓ No	0.13	0.01	0.14
38913	Letters, RM, ½ in. .. .. .	✓ No	0.23	0.02	0.25
38920	Badge, RSM (Royal Arms) .. .. .	✓ No	0.17	0.01	0.18
38921	Badge, QMS (Crown in Wreath) .. .. .	✓ No	0.37	0.03	0.40



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Vocab	Description	D of Q	VAT excl price £	VAT £	VAT incl price £
<i>Bronze</i>					
38800	Badge, Lion and Crown .. .. .	✓ No	0.33	0.03	0.36
38802	* Badge, Globe and Laurel, Lion and Crown .. .. .	✓ No	0.22	0.02	0.24
38880	* Badge, Globe and Laurel .. .. .	✓ No	0.32	0.03	0.35
38810	Badge, Globe and Laurel, small .. .. .	✓ No	0.18	0.02	0.20
38811	Badge, Lyre .. .. .	✓ No	0.05	—	0.05
38812	* Letters, RM .. .. .	✓ No	0.18	0.02	0.20
<i>White on green, for wear with raincoats</i>					
35920	Badge, RSM .. .. .	✓ No	0.14	0.01	0.15
35921	Badge, QMS and Staff Bandmaster .. .. .	✓ No	0.23	0.02	0.25
35927	Badge, Colour Sergeant .. .. .	✓ No	0.23	0.02	0.25
35923	Badge, Bandmaster .. .. .	✓ No	0.14	0.01	0.15
35924	Badge, Bandmaster of Staff Bands .. .. .	✓ No	0.26	0.02	0.28
35940	Badge, Lance Corporal .. .. .	✓ No	0.14	0.01	0.15
35939	Badge, Corporal .. .. .	✓ No	0.15	0.01	0.16
35016	Badge, Sergeant .. .. .	✓ No	0.20	0.02	0.22
35925	Badge, Bugle Major .. .. .	✓ No	0.26	0.02	0.28
35918	Badge, Drum Major .. .. .	✓ No	0.12	0.01	0.13
35919	Spare sleeves .. .. .	✓ No	0.04	—	0.04
<i>Miscellaneous</i>					
31909	Badge, Globe and Laurel, gold on scarlet	✓ No	1.10	0.09	1.19
31809	Badge, Observer, RM, gold/silver on black .. .. .	✓ No	1.15	0.09	1.24
35808	Badge, Pilot ULÄ, blue and yellow on black .. .. .	✓ No	0.14	0.01	0.15
35904	Badge, RM Band, Portsmouth, gilt and silver .. .. .	✓ No	2.65	0.21	2.86
35905	Badge, Royal Cypher GRV, silver .. .. .	✓ No	2.55	0.20	2.75
35906	Badge, Prince of Wales' Plumes, silver .. .. .	✓ No	0.89	0.07	0.96
35907	Badge, Royal Cypher, EIIR/PP, with Crown, silver .. .. .	✓ No	2.80	0.22	3.02
35908	Badge, Royal Cypher, EIIR/PP, silver .. .. .	✓ No	5.25	0.44	5.67
38909	Badge, Globe and Laurel, yellow on scarlet .. .. .	✓ No	1.25	0.10	1.35
32914	Flash, Royal Marines, red on blue cotton .. .. .	○ No	0.01	—	0.01
32915	Flash, Royal Marines, red on blue cloth	✓ No	0.04	—	0.04
36922	Badge, Colour Sergeant (Crown), khaki	✓ No	0.06	0.01	0.07
35928	Strap, wrist, leather .. .. .	✓ No	0.16	0.01	0.17
88886	Badge, WO I (Royal Arms), black on olive drab .. .. .	✓ No	0.12	0.01	0.13
88887	Badge, WO II (Crown in Wreath), black on olive drab .. .. .	✓ No	0.12	0.01	0.13
32999	Badge, letter R .. .. .	✓ No	0.02	—	0.02
35984	Badge, lapel, RMR, gilt on silver .. .. .	✓ No	0.21	0.02	0.23
88881	Black, crown on green drill .. .. .	✓ No	0.09	0.01	0.10
88882	Black star on green drill .. .. .	✓ No	0.05	—	0.05
<i>Chevrons (Rank or Good Conduct badges)</i>					
31930	* 1 bar, gold on scarlet .. .. .	✓ No	0.76	0.06	0.82
39930	1 bar, gold on green .. .. .	✓ No	0.79	0.06	0.85
32930	1 bar, red on blue .. .. .	✓ No	0.04	—	0.04
87930	* 1 bar, khaki drill .. .. .	✓ No	0.04	—	0.04



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Vocab

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Description	D of Q	VAT excl price £	VAT £	VAT incl price £
1 bar, white on khaki .. .. .	✧ No	0.30	0.02	0.32
1 bar (Royal Yacht), scarlet on white ..	✧ No	0.16	0.01	0.17
3 Chevrons } .. .. .	✧ No	0.09	0.01	0.10
2 Chevrons } for wear on heavy wool	✧ No	0.07	0.01	0.08
1 Chevron } jersey .. .. .	✧ No	0.05	—	0.05

\* These items will normally be stocked by Supply Officers in HM ships with RM detachments and which carry cash clothing.

† This item is for issue only to RM corporals.

§ Including any distinguishing letters denoting specialization.

|| These items are for issue only to RM grooms.

## ANNEX G

## ISSUING PRICES OF ROYAL MARINES OFFICERS' CLOTHING

<i>Vocab</i>	<i>Description</i>		<i>D of Q</i>	<i>VAT excl price £</i>	<i>VAT £</i>	<i>VAT incl price £</i>
43575-8	* Cummerbund, scarlet .. .. .	↖	No	2.50	0.20	2.70
	Jacket, mess, white, RM officer's (made to measure) .. .. .	↖	No	35.00	2.80	37.80
	Jacket, polyester/worsted, stone coloured (made to measure) .. .. .	↖	No	33.40	2.67	36.07
43580	Lanyard, blue .. .. .	↖	No	0.70	0.06	0.76
43660-77	Shoes, black leather, with toe caps ..	↖	Pr	10.60	0.85	11.45
	Trousers, khaki drill, officer's pattern ..		Pr	6.10	0.49	6.59
	Trousers, polyester/worsted, stone coloured (made to measure) .. .. .	↖	Pr	19.30	1.54	20.84
	Tunics, khaki drill, officer's pattern (made to measure) .. .. .		No	10.20	0.82	11.02
	Waistcoat, mess, white, RM officer's (made to measure) .. .. .	↖	No	26.25	2.10	28.35
<b>Loan clothing</b>						
73071-84	Blouse, overall, denim .. .. .	O	No	1.45	0.12	1.57
73920-9	Jacket, overall .. .. .	O	No	5.60	0.45	6.05
73961-76	Trousers, men's lightweight, polyester/ cotton .. .. .	↖	Pr	7.90	0.63	8.53
73930-9	Trousers, overall .. .. .	O	Pr	3.50	0.28	3.78
74260-73	Trousers, overall, denim .. .. .	O	Pr	1.40	0.11	1.51
<b>Badges</b>						
38980	Badge, Globe and Laurel .. .. .	↖	No	0.53	0.04	0.57
38989	Badge, Lion and Crown .. .. .	↖	No	0.66	0.05	0.71

\* May be taken up by Senior NCOs, R.M.