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695/76. UNIFORM — BADGES — RN RATINGS — DISCONTINUANCE OF
BRANCH BADGES FOR MECHANICIANS (U)

[N/STE 1541/73(DGST(N))]

1. All Mechanics are now cross-appointable for employment purposes with their Artificer counterparts.
2. It has therefore been decided that, since Artificers, Chief Mechanics and Mechanics 1st Class do not wear branch badges, it is no longer appropriate for Mechanics 2nd Class and below to do so either.
3. No further gratuitous issues should be made and wear of branch badges by Mechanics should cease altogether *after 31 January 1977*.
4. Supply Officers should return, to PSTO(N) Devonport, residual stocks of the badges listed in the ANNEX to this DCI.
5. BR 81 (The Uniform Regulations) will be amended.

ANNEX

MECHANICIANS BRANCH BADGES NOW OBSOLETE

Branch	Badges			
	EGB	ERB	PBW	EBW
Marine Engineering Mechanics ..	31171	32171	33171	30171
Weapons and Electrical Mechanics				
Control Electrical	31535	32535	33535	30535
	31536	32536	33536	30536
Ordnance Electrical	31538	32538	33538	30538
	31539	32539	33539	30539
Radio Electrical	31541	32541	33541	30541
	31542	32542	33542	30542
Electrical (Air)	31279	32279	33279	30279
	31249	32249	33249	30249
	31250	32250	33250	30250
Radio Electrical (Air)	31283	32283	33283	30283
	31284	32284	33284	30284
Electrical (Air Weapons)	31651	32651	33651	30651
Air Ordnance Mechanics*	31201	32201	33201	30201
	31202	32202	33202	30202
	31231	32231	33231	30231

*Badges already obsolescent since the introduction of the Air Weapons Sub Specialization.