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131/03 Reinstatement of Parachutist Badge for Wear by Qualified RN Officers and Ratings (U)

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1. As from December 1991 RN Officers and Ratings who had successfully completed a basic parachute course were no longer eligible to wear the Parachutist Badge. The Hobbs Review of RN Clothing Report (March 1995) recommended that wearing of the badge should be restored for all qualified personnel.
2. The purpose of this DCI is to announce that the wearing of the Parachutist Badge by qualified personnel is reinstated with immediate effect. The badge was formerly worn on the left sleeve but to avoid confusion with flying badges, and to bring the RN in line with the RM and the other two Services, the badge will be worn on the right sleeve. The badge is to be positioned 51mm below the shoulder seam.
3. Badges for No 1 uniforms will be issued gratuitously to qualified personnel.