

1. Introduction. With the introduction of Barrack Dress Trousers and Jersey Wool Heavy as normal working dress the opportunity for men holding specialist qualifications to display these qualifications on their uniforms has been reduced to those occasions on which full Lovat Uniform is worn. It has been decided that it would be more appropriate for such badges to be worn on No 1 Blue Uniform rather than Lovat. Thus existing gold on green badges are being replaced by gold on blue badges.
2. This change will align the Corps with Royal Navy practice and end the anomaly whereby Good Conduct Badges are worn on one uniform and Specialist Qualification and Skill Badges are worn on another.
3. The new gold on blue SQ/Skill badges which are similar in shape, size and style to the current gold on green badges, will be worn as described in BR 81 Article 0618. However, when Good Conduct Badges are worn, the SQ/Skill badge will be worn by all entitled ranks immediately above the point of the highest Good Conduct Badge, with the exception of those ranks detailed in para 1d of Article 0618.
4. Issues. With effect from the date of this order a gratuitous issue of one badge is to be made to all entitled holders. Subsequent maintenance will be from Kit Upkeep Allowance (KUA). Exchange by RMR ranks of the badges will be free. All future awards of SQ/Skill badges will be of the appropriate gold on blue badge.
5. Demands. The new gold on blue badges are now available from PSTO(N) Devonport. The RNSTS Stock Numbers and descriptions are at Annex A to this RMRO. Demands should be limited to sufficient quantities to cover the exchanges of badges of known entitled holders, plus basic maintenance requirements.
6. With immediate effect new Lovat Uniforms are not to be fitted with gold on green SQ/Skill badges. Exceptionally, if Lovat Uniforms with badges already fitted are in all other respects fully serviceable, Commanding Officers may permit badges to be worn for the remaining useful life of the garment.