

# RANK & BADGES

## IN THE NAVY, ARMY, R.A.F. AND AUXILIARIES

*A fully coloured guide to  
the badges worn by  
members of  
His Majesty's Forces*

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## ROYAL NAVY

## EXECUTIVE BRANCH—OFFICERS



# ROYAL NAVY

## EXECUTIVE BRANCH—OFFICERS



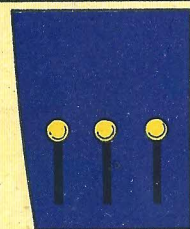
LIEUTENANT  
Cap & Badge as 11 & 2



SUB-LIEUTENANT \*  
Cap & Badge as 11 & 2



WARRANT OFFICER  
Cap & Badge as 11 and 2.



MIDSHIPMAN & CADET  
Cap and Badge as 11 and 2  
(Buttons only in full dress).



MIDSHIPMAN  
Patch on collar lapel.



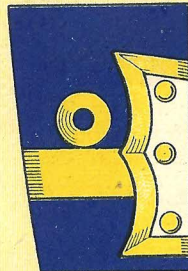
CADET  
Button on collar lapel.

### EXAMPLES OF FULL-DRESS CUFFS.

The foregoing cuffs, and the remainder given on pages 3 & 5, are those worn with the undress uniform. The three examples below, viz., Admiral, Commodore 2nd Class, and Warrant Officer, show the three styles of full-dress cuff with "slash" as worn by all Commissioned Officers. The rows of "distinction lace" vary in number and style for the different ranks and branches, exactly as on the cuffs of undress uniform.



FLAG OFFICERS  
& COMMODORES  
1st CLASS



COMMODORES, (2nd Class)  
CAPTAINS  
& COMMANDERS  
TO SUB-LIEUTENANT



COMMISSIONED  
WARRANT & WARRANT  
OFFICERS ONLY

\*Also Commissioned Officer from Warrant rank.

# ROYAL NAVY

## OFFICERS OF OTHER BRANCHES



AIR BRANCH



ENGINEER



SURGEON



DENTAL



ACCOUNTANT  
(PAYMASTER)



INSTRUCTOR



SHIPWRIGHT  
& CONSTRUCTORS



ORDNANCE



ELECTRICAL

Note.—The ranks for all these Officers are the same as for Executive Officers, with the prefix of "Surgeon" for "Surgeon so and so" [(D) added for Dental Officers], "Paymaster so and so" for Accountant, and others as named above. In the case of the Engineer Officers, most are called by Executive ranks, but with "E" in brackets afterwards; for instance, Commander (E). A few Captains and upwards, however, still retain the former titles of Engineer Captain, Engineer Rear-Admiral, etc. The rank shown in all the above drawings is that of Commander.

### SHOULDER STRAPS ON GREAT-COATS



ADMIRAL OF  
THE FLEET



ADMIRAL



VICE-ADMIRAL



REAR-ADMIRAL



COMMODORE  
1st CLASS \*

\*Officers of lower rank have the same design upon their shoulder straps as upon their sleeves. Engineer and Surgeon Vice and Rear-Admirals and Paymaster and Instructor Rear-Admirals have suitably coloured edging—purple, red, white and light blue respectively.

# 6 R.N.R., R.N.V.R. & R.M.

## ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE \*



LIEUTENANT 1



PAYMASTER-LIEUTENANT 1



MIDSHIPMAN

## ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE \*



LIEUTENANT 1



SURGEON-LIEUTENANT



MIDSHIPMAN

## ROYAL MARINES



CAP BADGE



FIELD OFFICER



OTHER OFFICERS



COLONEL  
2<sup>nd</sup> COMMANDANT



LIEUT.-COLONEL



MAJOR



CAPTAIN



LIEUTENANT



SECOND LIEUTENANT

\*Note.—Cap and Badge as for Royal Navy.

The highest rank in the R.N.R. and R.N.V.R. is Commodore, 2nd Class.

1. The half-stripe of a Lieutenant-Commander is a straight gold one, and in the case of Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander has a narrow white edging.

# 7 ROYAL NAVY & RESERVES

## CAPS & CAP BADGES OF PETTY OFFICERS, ETC.



CAP & BADGE



CHIEF PETTY OFFICER



PETTY OFFICER



ENGINEER P.O.\*



ENGINE-ROOM ARTIFICER, WRITERS, Etc.



PETTY OFFICER



Both worn on left arm

LEADING SEAMAN

## ROYAL NAVY YOUTH ENTRIES



PETTY OFFICERS & MEN AND BOYS DRESSED AS SEAMEN

INCLUDING SEAMEN, ARTIFICERS, STOKERS AND ALL OTHER RATINGS NOT SPECIALLY PROVIDED FOR

## OFFICERS' BUTTONS



OF FLAG RANK



UNDER FLAG RANK



Designed for young men aged 17 years, accepted for the Navy, and awaiting call-up at 18. Worn at the top of the sleeve on Home Guard, Sea Cadet or Air Training Corps uniforms.

Note.—Lettering R.N.R. or R.N.V.R. is on right cuff of Seamen in these Reserves. Petty Officers wear a single-breasted jacket for working rig, and a double-breasted otherwise. C.P.O.s wear three large buttons on sleeves and non-substantive badges on their lapels.

\*Although it is not worn nowadays, this badge still officially exists.

# 8 ROYAL NAVY & RESERVES

## BADGES OF PETTY OFFICERS & RATINGS

|   |                              |                                |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|   |                              |                                |
| <b>GUNNER'S MATE</b>                      | <b>GUNLAYER, 1ST CLASS †</b> | <b>GUNLAYER, 2ND CLASS</b>     |
|   |                              |                                |
| <b>GUNNERY RATING<br/>3RD CLASS LAYER</b> | <b>SEAMAN GUNNER</b>         | <b>TORPEDO GUNNER'S MATE</b>   |
|   |                              |                                |
| <b>TORPEDO COXSWAIN</b>                   | <b>LEADING TORPEDOMAN</b>    | <b>SEAMAN TORPEDOMAN</b>       |
|   |                              |                                |
| <b>DIVER</b>                              | <b>GOOD SHOOTING BADGE</b>   | <b>CHIEF YEOMAN OF SIGNALS</b> |

See Notes on page 11.

†Has an "L" below it, and a "Q" for Quarter Rating.  
"C" for Control and "A" for Anti-Aircraft.

# 9 ROYAL NAVY & RESERVES

## BADGES OF PETTY OFFICERS & RATINGS

|  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
|  |  |  |
| <b>PHOTOGRAPHER</b>                                  | <b>AIR FITTER<br/>(AIR FRAME)</b>                    | <b>CHIEF SAILMAKER</b>                     |
|  |  |  |
| <b>BUGLER</b>  | <b>AIR GUNNER<br/>3RD CLASS</b>                      | <b>PETTY OFFICER<br/>TELEGRAPHIST</b>      |
|  |  |  |
| <b>LEADING TELEGRAPHIST</b>                          | <b>TELEGRAPHIST</b>                                  | <b>ENGINE SECTION<br/>LEADING RATING †</b> |
|  |  |  |
| <b>PHYSICAL TRAINING *<br/>INSTRUCTOR, 1ST CLASS</b> | <b>PHYSICAL TRAINING *<br/>INSTRUCTOR, 2ND CLASS</b> | <b>REGULATING P.O.</b>                     |

See Notes on page 11. †Applies to members of the Air Branch (R.N. & R.N.V.R.)  
\* In full, "Physical and Recreational Training Instructor."

# 10 ROYAL NAVY & RESERVES

## BADGES OF PETTY OFFICERS & RATINGS

|                    |                                       |  |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
|                    |                                       |  |
| MECHANICIAN        | CHIEF STOKER AND STOKER PETTY OFFICER | LEADING STOKER AND STOKER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> CLASS |
|                    |                                       |  |
| SICK BERTH RATING  | CHIEF ARMOURER                        | CHIEF SHIPWRIGHT                                 |
|                    |                                       |  |
| CHIEF P.O. ARTISAN | ALL OTHER ARTISANS                    | WRITER †   |
|                    |                                       |  |
| OFFICERS' COOK     | COOK                                  | OFFICERS' STEWARD                                |

See Notes on page 11

† Supply rating is the same but with letter "S."

# ROYAL NAVY & RESERVES 11

## BADGES OF PETTY OFFICERS & RATINGS

|                                     |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
|                                     | <p><b>NOTES</b></p> <p>The badges shown on pages 8, 9, 10 and 11 are, with the exception of the last three, worn on the RIGHT arm, and in the case of Chief Petty Officers on the front of the collar lapel. They are, as shown in the drawings, RED on blue serge or working rig, but are in BLUE on white uniforms, also in GOLD when worn on cloth or full dress. The bottom row illustrates LONG SERVICE and GOOD CONDUCT STRIPES; three stripes denoting at least thirteen years, two denoting at least eight years, and one at least five years. These stripes are worn upon the LEFT arm.</p> |  |
| MASTER-AT-ARMS                      |  |  |
|                                     |  |  |
| RANGETAKER                          | SURVEYING RECORDER   | CHIEF MOTOR MECHANIC (R.N.V.R.)                    |
|                                     |  |  |
| SUBMARINE DETECTOR INSTRUCTOR       | SUBMARINE DETECTOR OPERATOR, 1 <sup>ST</sup> CLASS   | SUBMARINE DETECTOR OPERATOR, 2 <sup>ND</sup> CLASS |
|                                     |  |  |
| LONG SERVICE & GOOD CONDUCT STRIPES |  |  |
| Worn on the LEFT arm                |  |  |

# MERCHANT NAVY

## OFFICERS



**CAPTAIN**  
(CERTIFICATED MASTER)



**CAP BADGE**



**CHIEF OFFICER**  
(CERTIFICATED)



**1ST OFFICER**



**2ND OFFICER**  
(CERTIFICATED)



**3RD & JUNIOR OFFICER**  
(CERTIFICATED)



**CHIEF ENGINEER**  
(CERTIFICATED)



**SENIOR SURGEON**



**PURSER**  
(SENIOR)



**RADIO OFFICER**



**BADGE \***  
(for use with plain clothes)



**CHIEF STEWARD**

\* Distributed to Officers and Men of the Merchant Service and Deep-Sea Fishing Fleets, 1940.

Cap badge, etc., are those of the official Merchant Navy uniforms. Many Companies still retain their own distinctive badges and uniforms, which are optional.

# H.M. COASTGUARD



1



2

**CAP BADGES**



**INSPECTORS  
AND HIGHER GRADES**  
*Badge as 1*



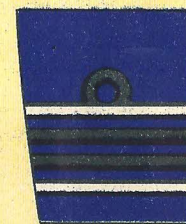
**DISTRICT OFFICERS**  
*Badge as 1*



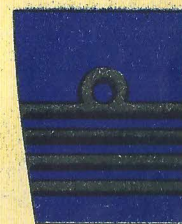
**STATION OFFICERS  
AND COASTGUARDSMEN**  
*Badge as 2*



**CHIEF INSPECTOR**



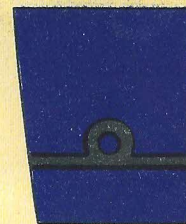
**DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR**



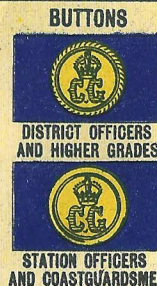
**INSPECTORS**



**DISTRICT OFFICERS**



**STATION OFFICERS**

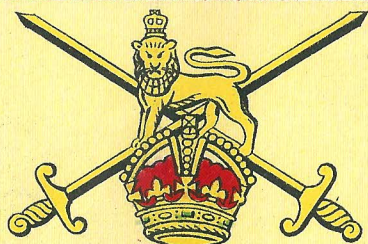


**BUTTONS**  
**DISTRICT OFFICERS  
AND HIGHER GRADES**  
**STATION OFFICERS  
AND COASTGUARDSMEN**

COASTGUARDSMEN wear no braid on the sleeves of their reefers jackets.

# ARMY

## OFFICERS' BADGES OF RANK



THE BRITISH ARMY



a

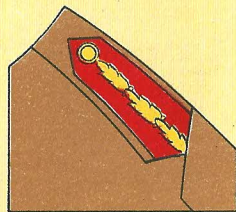
Worn on Service with a plain khaki cloth peak.



FIELD-MARSHAL



b

GENERAL  
Cap as a

c

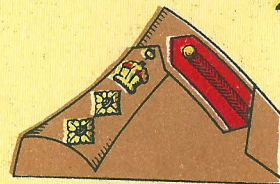
LIEUT.-GENERAL  
Cap, Badge and Gorget Patch  
as a, b & c.MAJOR-GENERAL  
Cap, Badge and Gorget Patch  
as a, b & c.BRIGADIER  
Cap, Badge and Gorget Patch  
As for Colonel on next page

# ARMY

## OFFICERS' BADGES OF RANK

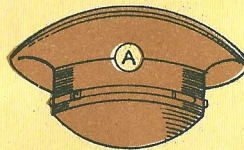
Cap and Badge of  
Substantive Colonel  
Worn on Service with a  
plain khaki cloth peak.

COLONEL

GORGET PATCH  
Gorget Patch of Substantive  
Colonel.Gorget patches are worn in  
different colours according to the  
Branch as under:—

BLUE (bright) Royal Engineer  
Services; (pale) Education,  
RED (scarlet) General Staff and  
Ordnance; (cherry) Medical;  
(maroon) Veterinary, PURPLE,  
Chaplain, GREEN, Dental,  
YELLOW, Pay.

Metal Rank Distinctions worn by  
Officers are sometimes of a dull  
bronze colour, but are here shown  
as gilt for greater clearness.

Cap for Officers of rank  
below Colonel. Regimental  
or other badge being worn  
at A.

LIEUT.-COLONEL



MAJOR



CAPTAIN



LIEUTENANT



2ND LIEUT.

SOME  
DISTINCTIVE  
"STARS"

a



b



c



d

a. Grenadier Guards, Coldstream Guards and Welsh Guards.

b. Scots Guards. c. Irish Guards. d. Rifle Regiments and R.A. Chaplains Dept.



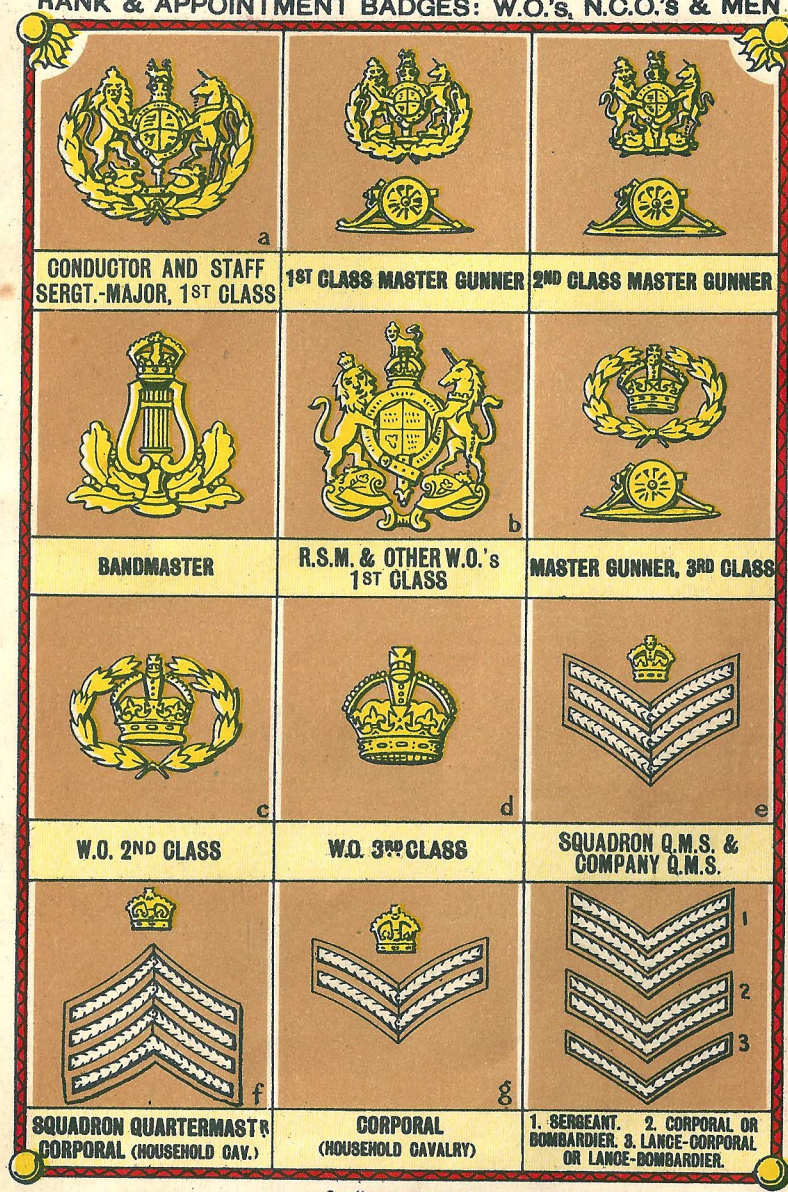
## ARMY

## DISTINGUISHING BADGES OF VARIOUS CORPS



## ARMY

## RANK &amp; APPOINTMENT BADGES: W.O.'s, N.C.O.'s &amp; MEN



# ARMY

## REGIMENTAL & CORPS BADGES WORN ON AND ABOVE CHEVRONS

|  |                        |                        |   |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|---|
|  |                        |                        |   |
| <b>CAVALRY</b><br><i>Circles contain Special Badges</i>  | <b>ROYAL ARTILLERY</b> | <b>ROYAL ENGINEERS</b> | <b>FOOT GUARDS</b><br><i>Special badges on Flag</i> |
|  |                        |                        |   |
| <b>ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS</b>  | <b>MUSKETRY STAFF*</b> | <b>GYMNASTIC STAFF</b> | <b>ASSIST. INSTRUCTOR OF SIGNALLING</b>             |
| <p><b>PARATROOPS</b></p> <p>e Staff-Sergeant.</p> <p>f Wear aiguillettes in full dress. Four chevrons with drum in place of crown worn by Drum-Major; Bugle, Bugle-Major; crossed Trumpets, Trumpet-Major; and Bagpipes, Pipe-Major.</p> <p>g Wear aiguillettes in full dress.</p> <p>h Trained Signallers (Privates) wear flags only.</p> |                        |                        |   |

\* Also Musketry Instructors, without crown.

# ARMY








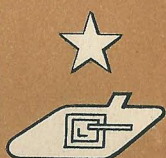




## RANK & APPOINTMENT BADGES: N.C.O.'s & MEN

|  |                                     |  |                                   |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
|  |                                     |  |                                   |
| <b>INFANTRY PIONEER</b>                          | <b>RIDING INSTRUCTOR</b>            | <b>SCOUT-CORPORAL (HOUSEHOLD CAV.)</b>   | <b>TRAINED SQUADRON-SCOUT</b>     |
|  |                                     |  |                                   |
| <b>BUGLER</b>                                    | <b>BUGLER (RIFLE REGIMENTS)</b>     | <b>SERG.-TRUMPETER (R.E. &amp; R.A.)</b> | <b>TRUMPETER</b>                  |
|  |                                     |  |                                   |
| <b>DRUMMER</b><br><i>(Except in Foot Guards)</i> | <b>BANDSMAN (EXCEPT IN CAVALRY)</b> | <b>BOMB DISPOSAL SQUAD</b>               | <b>R.A.M.C. 2ND CLASS ORDERLY</b> |
|  |                                     |  |                                   |
| <b>TRADESMAN OR FITTER</b>                       | <b>FARRIER &amp; SHOEING SMITH</b>  | <b>SADDLER (EXCEPT IN CAVALRY)</b>       | <b>WHEELER &amp; CARPENTER</b>    |

See Notes on page 20

# ARMY

## SKILL-AT-ARMS & PROFICIENCY BADGES

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
|    |  |  |  |
| MARKSMANSHIP IN CAVALRY, R.E., AND INFANTRY<br>BEST SHOT OF W.O.'s (CLASS 2)    BEST SHOT OF CORPORALS    SECTION COMMANDERS    |   |   | GUNNERY INSTRUCTOR  |
|    |  |  |  |
| SWORDSMANSHIP IN CAVALRY P.T. INSTRUCTOR<br>BEST SWORDSMAN IN REGT    BEST SWORDSMAN IN TROOP    BEST SWORDSMAN IN EVERY 20 MEN |   |   | DRIVER IN ROYAL TANK REGT.  |
|    |  |  |  |
| 1ST PRIZE GUNNER  | 2ND PRIZE GUNNER  | GUN LAYER   | 1ST PRIZE DRIVER  |

a Also with Grenade for Grenadier Guards and Fusilier Regiments; Star for Scots & Irish Gds; Rose for Coldstream Guards; Bugle for Rifle Regiments and Light Infantry.

b Also Scout-Sergeants and Regimental Scouts in Cavalry of the Line; Scout-Sergeants and 1st Class Scouts in Foot Guards and Infantry.

c Also with Two Stripes for 1st Class Orderly.

d Also Machinery Artificer and Smith.

e Also Sergeants and Lance-Sergeants of a Battalion

f Also Lance-Corporals and Privates of a Battalion.






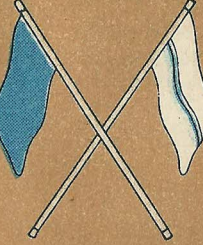



g Of best shooting Squadron or Company in a unit; with Star instead of Crown for best shot in each Squadron, Company or Band; and Rifles only, Marksmen, & Musketry mstr's

h Also Sergeants and Lance-Sergeants of a Battalion

\*The ornamental L is replaced by B.G. for Bren Gunner; L.G. for Lewis Gunner; M.G. for Machine Gunner. R. for Rangetaker; S. for Surveyor and S.P. for Special Proficiency.

# ARMY

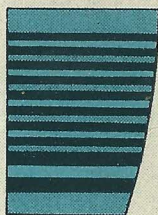
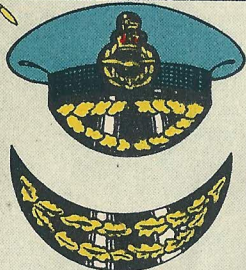
## PROFICIENCY BADGES, DISTINGUISHING FLASHES, &c.

|  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
|   |    |   |
| DRIVER (MECHANISED UNIT)   | DRIVER MECHANIC   | DRIVER INSTRUCTOR  |
|    |    |   |
| DESPATCH RIDER   | MECHANICAL TRANSPORT  | SIGNALLER  |
|  |  |  |
| OPERATOR FIRE CONTROL  | FLASH WORN BY ROYAL WELCH FUSILIERS   | HOME GUARD*  |

\*Units wear the cap badges of their county regiments.

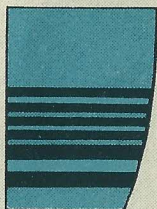
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OFFICERS' BADGES OF RANK

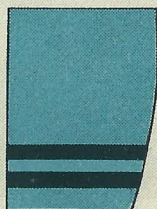


MARSHAL OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE\*

Note.—In Full Dress  
all Officers' sleeve  
"rings" are in GOLD.

AIR  
CHIEF MARSHAL

AIR-MARSHAL

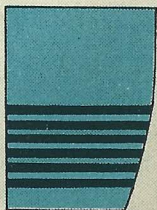
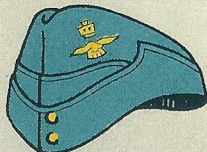
AIR  
VICE-MARSHAL

AIR-COMMODORE



GROUP CAPTAIN †

Note.—On great-coats  
rank distinctions are  
worn on shoulder-straps.



WING-COMMANDER AND OTHER COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

(See page 23)

\* Cap and Badge also apply to Officers in the second row.

† Badge is also worn by Commissioned Officers of lower rank.

Brass (or gilt) letters (V.R.) are worn on lapels of Officers of R.A.F.V.R.

## ROYAL AIR FORCE

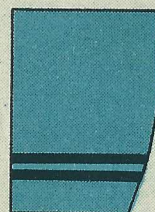
OFFICERS' RANK BADGES; "WINGS," ETC.



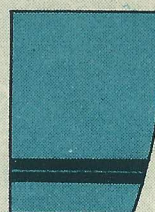
SQUADRON LEADER



FLIGHT-LIEUTENANT



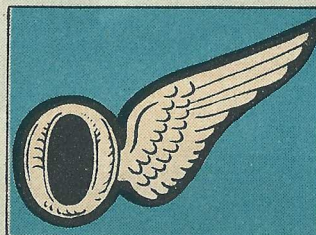
FLYING OFFICER



PILOT OFFICER



QUALIFIED PILOT'S "WINGS" †



OBSERVER



AIR-GUNNER

(The above three badges are worn on the left breast)



CHAPLAIN—CAP BADGE

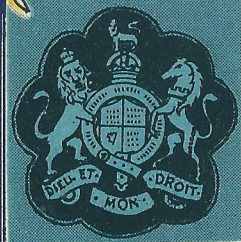
Collar badge is similar, but  
without the Imperial Crown



DENTAL COLLAR BADGE

MEDICAL OFFICER  
COLLAR BADGE

†Note.—Pilot's "wings" are worn by Army Officers attached to the Army Co-operation Squadrons who have obtained their certificates, also by all Officers now serving in any Service, who won the "wings" during the Great War.



WARRANT OFFICER



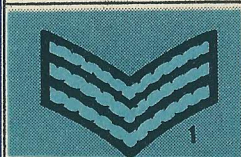
SHOULDER BADGE\*



CAP BADGE †



FLIGHT-SERGEANT



1. SERGEANT 2. CORPORAL



DRUM-MAJOR



GOOD CONDUCT STRIPE

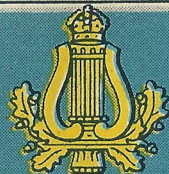


LEADING AIRCRAFTMAN

## NON-SUBSTANTIVE BADGES



PHYSICAL TRAINING INSTR †



CENTRAL BANDSMAN



BOMB DISPOSAL SQUAD



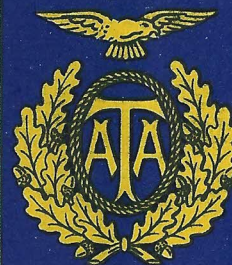
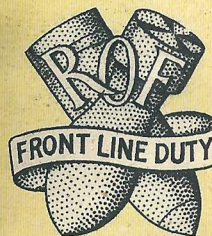
WIRELESS OPERATOR



GUNNER (GROUND)

† Worn by N.C.O.'s and men on caps similar in shape to those on page 21, bottom row, but in the case of the first with a black shiny peak.

\* Worn by all non-commissioned ranks. Members of the Auxiliary Air Force wear the letter 'A' below the albatross.

AUXILIARY &  
MISCELLANEOUSROYAL OBSERVER  
CORPSAIR TRANSPORT  
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CORPSWORKERS IN ROYAL  
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NATIONAL SERVICE  
ASSOC. (ENSA)MECHANISED  
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CORPSWOMEN'S  
TRANSPORT SERVICE  
(F.A.N.Y.)NAVY LEAGUE  
SEE CADET CORPS

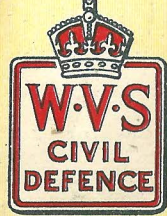




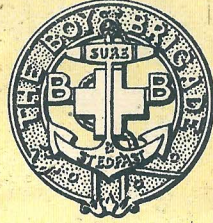
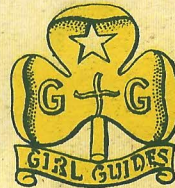
# AUXILIARY & MISCELLANEOUS

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
|                                      |   |   |
| <b>ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION</b><br>(Coxswain's Badge)*   | <b>ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION</b><br>(Other Ratings)                      | <b>BRITISH LEGION</b>  |
|                                      |   |   |
| <b>AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE BADGE</b>   | <b>AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE CAP BADGE</b>  | <b>SPECIAL CONSTABULARY</b><br>(Metropolitan)                                      |
|                                     |  |  |
| <b>DISCHARGED UNFIT</b><br>(1914-18 WAR)  | <b>AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS †</b>  | <b>ROYAL ARMY RESERVE</b>  |
| <p>A new badge, with the inscription "For Loyal Service," is now being issued to men disabled in the present war.</p> |  |  |

\* The Mechanic's Badge is similar with a Propellor instead of an Anchor.

† Worn with civilian clothes. For details of badges worn on Civil Defence uniforms see page 32.

# AUXILIARY & MISCELLANEOUS

|  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
|   |   |    |
| <b>WOMEN'S VOLUNTARY SERVICES</b><br>(Civil Defence)                                 | <b>WOMEN'S LAND ARMY</b>   | <b>CIVIL NURSING RESERVE</b>  |
|   |   |    |
| <b>TERRITORIAL ARMY NURSING SERVICE</b>  | <b>QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE</b>                           | <b>QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE (RESERVE)</b>                  |
|  |  |  |
| <b>BOY SCOUTS</b>  | <b>BOYS' BRIGADE (OFFICER)</b>   | <b>GIRL GUIDES</b>  |

# BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY

CAP BADGES, SHOULDER STRAPS, CUFFS, &c.



† The Matron's badge is as 'A', but with only one surrounding band of gold; the Superintending Sister's badge has one band of red; the Nursing Sister's, no band.

# ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE



\* Corps Sergeant-Major similar, but with only one circle.

CUFFS & BADGES

|   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
|    |  |   |
| OFFICER'S HAT   | HAT BADGE   | DIRECTOR   |
|    |  |   |
| DEPUTY DIRECTOR & SUPERINTENDENT  | CHIEF OFFICER   | MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT   |
|    |  |  |
| FIRST OFFICER   | SECOND OFFICER  |  |
|  | THIRD OFFICER   |  |
| UNIFORM   |   |  |

AUXILIARY TERRITORIAL SERVICE

|   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
|  |   |   |   |
| CAP BADGE   | CHIEF * COMMANDER  | SENIOR COMMANDER   |  |
|  |   |   |  |
| CAP   | JUNIOR SUBALTERN COMMANDER   | 2ND SUBALTERN  | UNIFORM  |
| <h2>WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AIR FORCE</h2>  |  |  |  |
|   |   |   |  |
| CAP (OFFICERS)  | SQUADRON OFFICER   | FLIGHT OFFICER   |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| CAP (OTHER RANKS)   | SECTION OFFICER  | ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER  |  |
| UNIFORM   |  |  |  |

Cap Badges are as in the R.A.F. and the above and all other Sleeve Rings agree with corresponding Ranks in the R.A.F.

\*The shoulder badges of the two highest ranks, that of Chief Controller and Controller, correspond with those worn by Major-Generals and Colonels in the Army.



# NATIONAL FIRE SERVICE



CAP BADGE

CHIEF  
REGIONAL  
OFFICERFIRE FORCE  
COMMANDERASSISTANT  
FIRE FORCE  
COMMANDERDIVISIONAL  
OFFICERCOLUMN  
OFFICERSENIOR  
COMPANY OFFICERCOMPANY  
OFFICERSECTION  
LEADERLEADING  
FIREMAN

## CIVIL DEFENCE GENERAL SERVICES



BREAST BADGE

A local marking (e.g. the name of the town) in gold colour can be worn below the breast badge if desired by the local authority.

SHOULDER TITLE FOR C.D.  
RESCUE SERVICE

Similar titles are issued for the following Services:—

|  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| "Warden"   | "Decontamination"                     |
| "Ambulance"                                      | "Messenger"                           |
| "First Aid Post"                                 | "Report and Control"                  |
| "First Aid Party" (in London, "Stretcher Party") | "G.I.O." (Gas Identification Service) |

HEAD WARDEN  
(IN LONDON, POST WARDEN)

Chevrons; two or more in number, worn above the elbow, are issued to all junior supervisory grades, sometimes popularly described as N.C.O.'s.



CONTROLLER

Similar bars, worn below shoulder titles, and varying in number and thickness, are worn by all Senior Officers.

C.D. Steel Helmets.—The helmets of both junior and senior supervisory officers are painted white, with the exception of those worn by Gas Identification Officers, which are yellow.