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*29. NCOs BADGES OF RANK

1. The existing black on green badges of rank worn by RM Warrant Officers and NCOs are to be replaced by the Army brown on green issue from KUA. Sufficient badges to effect a total changeover will become available from Army sources by:

a. NCOs 1 Jan 81

b. WOs 1 Jan 84

Small numbers of the new badges for NCOs will be available to meet on promotion issues prior to the main introductory period. It must therefore be accepted that both types of badge are authorised for wear during the changeover period.

2. The new badges of rank are to be worn on all appropriate orders of dress by:

a. NCOs 1 May 81

b. WOs 1 May 84

3. The badges are to be made up into rectangular shapes with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " hem from the extremities of the embroidered symbol.