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PART 2. OMNIBUS WEEKLY ORDER 32/1949

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Note:—A copy of this Order is to be issued to every member of the Service. Extra copies to meet this special distribution will be sent without requisition.

Customs and Excise Ensign

The Board, with the concurrence of the Admiralty, have approved a new design of ensign incorporating, as the seal of office and special emblem of the Customs Service, the traditional portcullis with chains surmounted by a Crown in place of the present plain Crown. The design will accordingly consist of the Blue Ensign embodying the seal of office in gold in the fly.

Small initial stocks of the new ensigns and burgees, sufficient to provide one ensign for each working launch and each pontoon and one burgee for each Station, will be distributed immediately without requisition to all places at which Customs vessels are stationed. *They are to be flown on and from the 6th August, 1949.*

Main stocks of the new ensign and burgee will not be available until April, 1950 and further instructions will be issued later. In the meantime the old type of ensign should continue to be flown on buildings.

By Order of the Board,

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