

Sec. 53173/1951. **PART 4. OMNIBUS WEEKLY ORDER 50/1951**

City Gate House,
Finsbury Square,
London, E.C.2.

11th December, 1951.

Note.—A copy of this Order is to be issued to all members of the Waterguard and Launch Service, Watchers (including Watcher Constables), Coast Preventive Men and Land Preventive Men. Extra copies to meet this distribution may be obtained from the Correspondence Room.

Fit of Uniform Clothing

The following arrangements are being made with the object of improving the fit of uniforms:—

(1) The Superintendent of Stores will, prior to ordering normal replacement uniforms, send each supervising officer a list of staff to whom the uniforms are due, and will ask him to supply fresh measurements for any persons on the list whose uniforms no longer fit them on account of changes in physique.

(2) Additionally, arrangements have been made whereby the contractor (Messrs. Wathen, Gardiner and Co., Bristol) will visit annually each of the main ports and places at which uniformed staff are stationed to give personal attention to the fit of uniforms. Accordingly, supervising officers should send to the Superintendent of Stores within 14 days of the date of this Order a list of the names and official addresses of any members of the uniformed grades (except Messengers, whose uniforms are not supplied by this contractor) who are dissatisfied with the fit of their present uniforms. The Superintendent of Stores will advise supervising officers of the dates and times when the contractor's visits will take place so that, so far as possible, facilities may be given to enable the staff concerned to attend at the time and place appointed, staff at outstations being allowed where practicable to travel to the nearest place the contractor is visiting. Necessary travelling expenses thus incurred will be allowed plus day subsistence at the appropriate rate if earned. Any cases where more than 12 hours absence would be involved or where relief cannot be arranged for the purpose should be specially reported through the Waterguard Superintendent to the Superintendent of Stores for consideration and report to the Board if necessary. A similar report should be furnished in respect of any officer to whom these arrangements would apply who is absent, e.g. on leave or special service, at the time of the contractor's visit.

These arrangements have been agreed with the Staff Side of the Departmental Whitley Council.

By Order of the Board,

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