

**CHAPTER 6**  
**RAF ORDERS OF DRESS**  
**(Aircrew)**  
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**Introduction**

This chapter illustrates, through a selection of plates and explanatory notes, the various orders of dress for RAF aircrew personnel. It also stipulates the occasions on which each type of uniform should be worn.

The first plate in each numbered order of dress details the uniform items appropriate to that dress, in full. Thereafter, plates showing acceptable alternatives within that order of dress, specify the variations to the first and not always the full description.

**Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 Dress - RAF officers (male and female) and non-commissioned aircrew**

**0601.** The Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 Dresses are all identical to those prescribed for RAF personnel (male) **Chapter 2** and RAF personnel (female) **Chapter 3** of this manual and are worn on the same occasions.

**No 14 Dress (Flying Clothing) - RAF officers (male and female) and non-commissioned aircrew**

**0602. Occasions for wear.** No 14 Dress is worn by all ranks, when actively employed on flying duties, unless otherwise ordered. It should not be worn in the public areas of Officers' or Sergeants' Messes after 1900hrs daily. When employed on ground administrative duties or when a standard dress is ordered, aircrew personnel should wear the standard RAF No 2 Dress.

**0603. Hat - male personnel.**

- a. **Officers.** The service issue No 1 hat or a forage cap may be worn by male officers.
- b. **Airmen.** Non - commissioned personnel may wear the No 1 hat, forage cap or beret with appropriate cap badge

**0604. Hat - female personnel.** The headdress options for female personnel are as follows:

- a. **Officers.** Female commissioned officers may either wear their own style, relegated No 1 hat, forage cap or the airwomen's No 1 hat, with appropriate hat badge.
- b. **Airwomen.** Female non-commissioned personnel may wear either a No 1 hat, forage cap or a beret with appropriate cap badge.

**0605. Flying suit - (No 14A dress).** A clean, serviceable, approved pattern olive drab (OD) coverall should be worn with rank shoulder slides displayed on both epaulettes. Sleeves are to be rolled down and fastened at the cuffs by the velcro fastenings. Badges should be positioned as follows:

- a. Name badge and aircrew brevet (if awarded) - on the left breast, approximately 4" below the shoulder seam.
- b. Unit crest - left shoulder
- c. Squadron badge - right shoulder

Only one further qualification badge may be worn.

**0606. Aircrew vest.** Only a service issue OD aircrew vest or flame retardant Sqn vest may be worn; with the roll neck (if applicable) folded down once.

**0607. Jersey.** A standard service issue OD jersey may be worn, at the individuals discretion.

**0608. Socks.** Black only.

**0609. Boots.** Black, approved pattern flying boots, which are to be polished with service issue silicon boot polish only.

**0610. Gloves.** Only approved pattern, service issue gloves are to be worn.

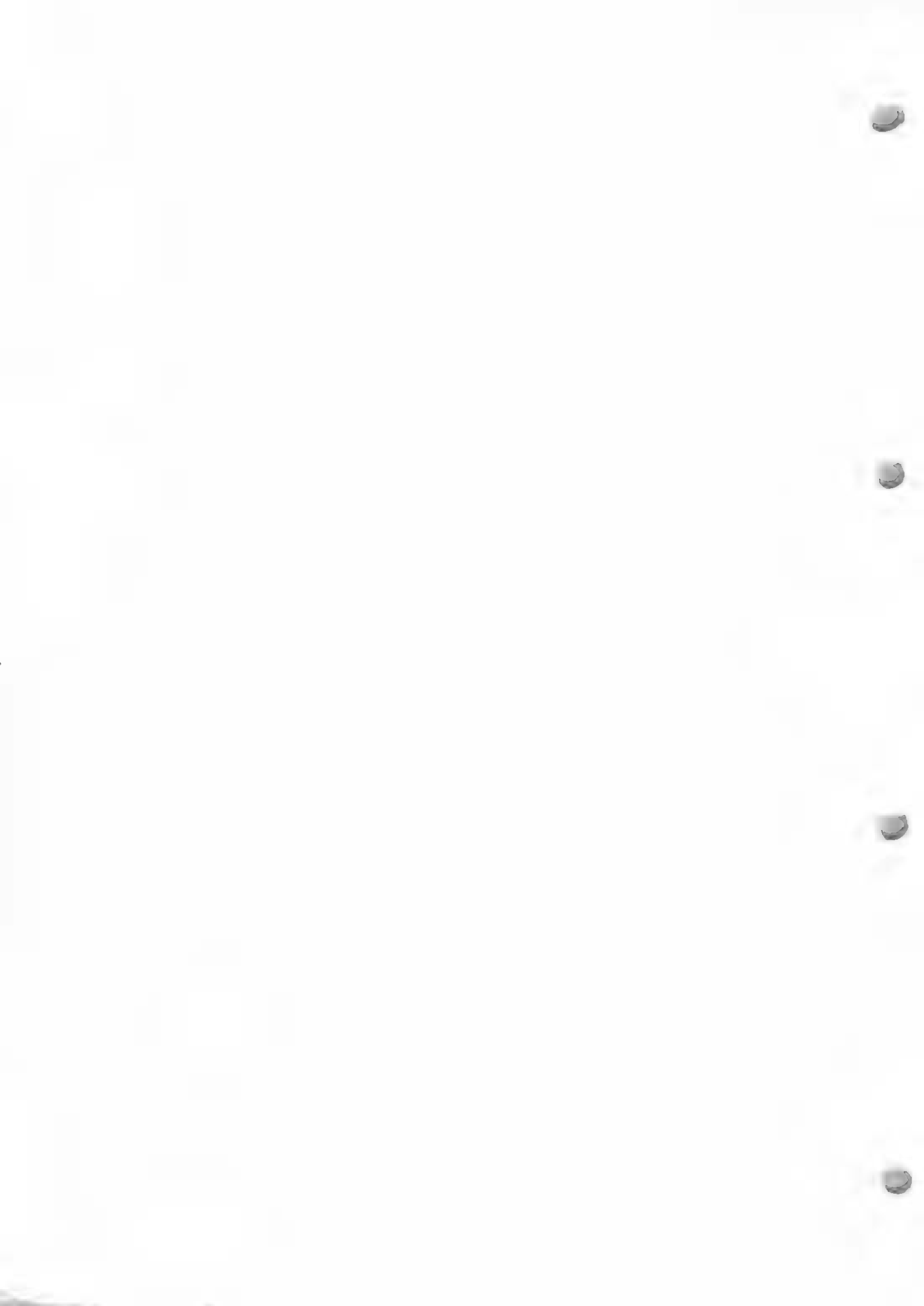
**0611. Cold weather flying jacket - (No 14B dress).** A service issue cold weather flying jacket may be worn with a flying suit, at the individuals discretion. Appropriate badges of rank are to be worn and the jacket is to be fastened by both zip and buttons, with the cuffs secured by the velcro strips.

**0612. Cold weather trousers.** Cold weather trousers may be worn for flying and squadron duties however, they are not to be worn in Officers' or Sergeants' Messes.

**0613. DPM Jacket.** A service issue DPM jacket may be worn with flying clothing, in place of a cold weather flying jacket, at the individuals discretion.

**0614. Black leather flying jacket - (No 14C dress).** A black leather flying jacket of the standard approved pattern (in accordance with **RAF GAI 6076**) may be purchased at personal expense and worn with flying clothing, **on the ground only.**

**Cold weather flying jackets, cold weather trousers, DPM jackets and black leather flying jackets, are only for wear with service issue flying suits. Under no circumstances are any of these items to be worn with other orders of dress eg No 2 Dress uniform.**



RAF NO 14 Dress

No 14A Dress

No 14B Dress









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