

STANDARD TECHNICAL TRAINING NOTES  
FOR THE  
RADIO ENGINEERING TRADE GROUP (FITTERS)

## FOREWORD

1. These Notes are issued to assist airmen and apprentices under training as Fitters in the Radio Engineering Trade Group. They are not intended to form a complete text book, but are to be used in conjunction with lectures and demonstrations given at the Radio Schools. They are also intended to assist airmen on continuation training at other R.A.F. establishments.

2. There are four broad classifications in the advanced (Fitter) trades of the Radio Engineering Trade Group :—

(a) **Air Radar Fitter.** Employed in the servicing of all types of aircraft radar equipment (where servicing implies inspection, repair, re-conditioning, and modification).

(b) **Air Wireless Fitter.** Employed in servicing aircraft radio communication and inter-communication equipment, specified navigational aids, and miscellaneous wireless equipment.

(c) **Ground Radar Fitter.** Employed in servicing all types of ground radar equipment.

(d) **Ground Wireless Fitter.** Employed in servicing all types of ground communication equipment.

*Note.* The term "Radio Fitter" signifies

an airman who has dual (Wireless and Radar) qualifications.

3. Before the duties described in Para. 2 can be carried out, a "thorough knowledge of the electrical and radio principles, and the elementary mathematics appropriate to the theory of the specified equipment in the trade" is required (see A.P. 3282A, Vol. 2). These Notes are in six Parts. The first four Parts deal with the theory, the basic principles, and the practice of radio to the standard demanded of the Radio Fitter Trades. Parts 5 and 6 give a summary of the equipments which the Fitter may meet in practice. These latter Parts are not intended to supersede existing Air Publications which should be consulted on specific equipment as necessary.

4. These Notes can only be issued on temporary loan to each trainee ; they must be handled with care and returned at the end of the course. A number of copies will also be available in Royal Air Force reference libraries ; these may be issued, as required, to airmen on continuation training.

5. No alterations to these Notes may be made without the authority of official Amendment Lists which will be issued from time to time.

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**A.P. 3302, PART 1**

**LIST OF AIR PUBLICATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRADE**

**Principles and Techniques**

- A.P. 1093 R.A.F. Signal Manual, Part 2 (Radio Communication)
- A.P. 1093E Interservices Radar Manual—Radar Techniques
- A.P. 1093F Radar Circuit Principles, with Aerials and Centimetric Techniques
- A.P. 1093G Radio Circuitry Supplement
- A.P. 1093H Suppressed Aerials
- A.P. 1186V C.V. Register of Electronic Valves
- A.P. 2521A V.H.F. Ground Station Aerial Systems
- A.P. 2867 Interservices Standard Graphical Symbols
- A.P. 2867A Interservice Glossary of Terms used in Telecommunications
- A.P. 2867B Interservice Glossary of Terms used in Telecommunications (Radar)
- A.P. 2878C H.F. and M.F. Aerials for Ground Stations
- A.P. 2900C Handbook of Electronic Test Methods and Practices
- A.P. 3158C R.A.F. Technical Services Manual
- A.P. 3214 (Series) The Services Textbook of Radio.

**Equipment**

Air Publications applicable to specific radio equipment are listed in:—

- A.P. 2463 Index to Radio Publications

**INSTRUCTIONAL FILMS**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Current of Electricity .. .. .	14L/52
Nuts and Bolts .. .. .	14L/178
Micrometer Calipers .. .. .	14L/273
Vernier Scale .. .. .	14L/413
Hammers, Chisels, Punches and Drifts .. .. .	14L/1605
Files and Filing .. .. .	14L/1606
Spanners, Screwdrivers and Pliers .. .. .	14L/1636
Taps, Dies and Reamers .. .. .	14L/1727
Hacksaws, Shears, and Vice Clamps .. .. .	14L/1728
Locking Devices .. .. .	14L/1729
Measuring and Marking—Precision Instruments .. .. .	14L/1730
Transmission Lines—Maintenance of Coaxial Cables .. .. .	14L/3280
Transmission Lines and Waveguides .. .. .	14L/3288

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<b>Title</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Vacuum Tubes—Electronic Diode .. .. .	14L/3953
Cathode Ray Tube .. .. .	14L/4268
Electricity and Magnetism .. .. .	14L/4708
Magnetism .. .. .	14L/5557
Electrical Terms .. .. .	14L/5607
What is Electricity? .. .. .	14L/5609
Electricity and Heat .. .. .	14L/5610
Electricity and Movement .. .. .	14L/5611
Electrochemistry .. .. .	14L/5612
Putting Free Electrons to Work .. .. .	14L/5614
A.C. and D.C. .. .. .	14L/5615
The Generation of Electricity .. .. .	14L/5616
The Transmission of Electricity .. .. .	14L/5617
Aircraft First Line Servicing .. .. .	14L/5656
Audio Oscillator .. .. .	14L/5666
Volts—Ohm Meter Operation .. .. .	14L/5667
Radio Shop Technician .. .. .	14L/5668
First Line Servicing, Fighter Aircraft .. .. .	14L/5768
Radio Antennae Fundamentals, Parts 1 and 2 .. .. .	14L/5780-1
R.D.F. to Radar .. .. .	14L/5826
Waveguides, Parts 1 to 5 .. .. .	14L/5958-5962
Tuned Circuits .. .. .	14L/6037
Ground Handling of Aircraft .. .. .	14L/6338
The Doppler Principle in Airborne Navigation Aids .. .. .	14L/6388
Centimetric Oscillators, Parts 1 to 3 .. .. .	14L/6397
Servomechanisms .. .. .	14L/6435
Radar Techniques, Part 1—Waveform Response of C.R. Circuits .. .. .	14L/6500
Radar Techniques, Part 2—Multivibrator .. .. .	14L/6502
Radar Techniques, Part 3—Miller Timebase .. .. .	14L/6504
Radar Techniques, Part 4—Pulse Forming by Delay Lines .. .. .	14L/6506
Radar Techniques, Part 5—Flip Flop .. .. .	14L/6508
Problems of Radio and Electronic Fault Finding .. .. .	14L/6594
Principles of the Transistor .. .. .	14L/6620

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**INSTRUCTIONAL FILM STRIPS**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Primary Cells .. .. .	14J/154
Time Constant .. .. .	14J/155
Distribution of Electricity .. .. .	14J/194
Electricity—its Production .. .. .	14J/195
Uses of Electricity .. .. .	14J/196
Radiation .. .. .	14J/197
Thermionic Valve .. .. .	14J/198
Electrical Measuring Instruments .. .. .	14J/203
The D.C. Motor .. .. .	14J/204
Basic Radio Trouble-shooting, Parts 1 to 5 .. .. .	14J/239-243
The Internal Combustion Engine .. .. .	14J/369
Elementary Principles of Cathode Ray Oscillograph .. .. .	14J/370
The Cathode Ray Tube .. .. .	14J/404
Magnetism and Electricity .. .. .	14J/407
Waveguide Theory .. .. .	14J/495-511
Waveguide Theory .. .. .	14J/512-517
Introduction to Control Engineering Theory .. .. .	14J/578
Introduction to Electronics .. .. .	14J/586
Electronic Devices—Electron Tubes .. .. .	14J/587
Basic Valve Circuits, Parts 1 to 4 .. .. .	14J/588-9
The Meaning of Valve Characteristics .. .. .	14J/590
Telecommunication Principles .. .. .	14J/606

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**LAYOUT OF A.P.**

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Section 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	Electrostatics and Capacitance
Section 5	..	..	..	..	..	..	A.C. Theory
Section 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	Measuring Instruments
Section 7	..	..	..	..	..	..	Transformers
Section 8	..	..	..	..	..	..	Fundamental Electronic Devices
Section 9	..	..	..	..	..	..	Power Supplies
Section 10	..	..	..	..	..	..	Low Frequency Amplifiers
Section 11	..	..	..	..	..	..	Radio Frequency Amplifiers
Section 12	..	..	..	..	..	..	Valve Oscillators
Section 13	..	..	..	..	..	..	Transmitter Principles
Section 14	..	..	..	..	..	..	Receiver Principles
Section 15	..	..	..	..	..	..	Filters and Transmission Lines
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