

 $Mk.26 \quad \text{Country of origin: England} \\$ 

## DATA SUMMARY

Organisation: MI6 SIS.

**Design/Manufacturer:** SIS Section VIII, Whaddon Hall/Little Horwood workshops.

Year of Introduction: Believed 1944.

**Purpose:** Mobile units, Diplomatic Wireless Service, resistance.

## Receiver:

**Circuit features:** RF stage, mixer, local oscillator, IF stage, detector AF amp, AF output, BFO. **Freq Coverage:** 5-9.5MHz and 9.5-18MHz using two different plug-in coil boxes. **IF:** 460kHz.

Valves: 1R5, 1T4 4x, 1S5, 1S4, neon stabiliser. Power Supply: Dry batteries 1.5V LT and 90V HT. Size (cm): Height 13, Length 14, Width 30.5. Weight: 3.9kg (less batteries).



Top view of Mk.26 with inspection lid opened, showing dial frequency calibration graphs and associated plug-in coil box in position.

## REMARKS

The Mk.26 was a general purpose dry battery powered receiver probably standard issue by SIS in conjunction with the Mk.25 transmitter (Chapter 38). The slow motion tuning dial shown above was the correct type (as opposed to the picture in WftW Volume 4), also found fitted on another Mk.26 that survived. No other specific extra information was found which already had been printed in Volume 4. Colour photos of the receiver, calibration graphs and the valve positions diagram justified this follow up chapter.

This Supplement chapter is a follow up and should be read in conjunction with the 'Mk.26' section in the '*Great Britain*' chapter of WftW Volume 4 for more detailed information.





Rear view of cabinet and Plug-in coil box (up to scale). The receiver had a separate battery box connected to the 4-point socket at the left.



Printed valve positions diagram glued to the bottom of the cabinet.

## References:

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