



Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation Archives  
Guide to the John J. Holford, Sr. papers  
1960-1965  
MC/17

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## Descriptive Summary

**Title:** John J. Holford, Sr. papers

**Creator:** Holford, John J. Sr., 1911-1970

**Date(s):** 1960-1965

**Abstract:** John J. Holford Sr. was born on October 19, 1911 and worked at the New York Naval Yard as a heavy trailer truck driver from around 1941 until 1966. Holford's identification badge, issued in 1960, is included with a notification of reduction in force from the Commander. The reduction in force was a result of the the Navy Yard's planned closure in June 1966.

**Quantity:** 1 folder

**Language of Materials:** English

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## Administrative/Biographical History

John Joseph Holford Sr. was born on October 19, 1911. Holford began working at the Brooklyn Navy Yard around 1941 before enlisting in the U.S. Navy in 1943. During World War II, he served as a Fireman First Class on the escort aircraft carrier USS Mankin Island (CVE-93) in the Pacific until being honorably discharged in 1945. Holford returned to the Yard after the war and worked as a heavy trailer truck driver until 1966. On at least three occasions (1958, 1960, and 1963) he received a safe driving award. Holford died on November 19, 1970.

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## Scope and Content

This collection contains the memorandum that employees received on July 1, 1965 notifying them that there would be a reduction in force until the ultimate closure of the New York Naval Shipyard on June 30, 1966. His identification badge, issued on February 11, 1960, is also from this period of the Navy Yard.

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## Access Points

New York Naval Shipyard  
Ephemera  
Holford, John J. Sr., 1911-1970  
Identification cards--Access control--United States  
Memorandum  
Truck drivers  
United States--Officials and employees

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## Administrative Information

**Accession Number(s):** N/A

**Acquisition Notes:** This collection was donated by Donald Holford, John Holford's son, to the BNYDC Archives on June 13, 2012. This collection has a collection documentation file.

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## Container List

Box MC2 (3-B-1-9)	Title	Date	Object ID
Folder 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>NYNS ID badge</li><li>Notification of Reduction in Force memo</li></ul>	1960-02-11 1965-07-01	14684 14685