

203. The maximum amount shall be a sum equivalent to three years' pay, including any allowances for quarters or rations at the rate the member received or was allowed immediately prior to his retirement or discharge. The maximum amount shall only be awarded in case of total disability to earn a livelihood. In case of partial disability, the compensation shall be less than the maximum amount, and shall be fixed in accordance with the scale, and so that the amount awarded shall be proportionate to the degree of disability of the member.

204. Compensation may be recommended, by a Board appointed to inquire into the case, to the widow and family of any member of the R.N.Z.A. who is killed when on duty, or dies of any disease contracted on duty, if the death or disease was not due to the member's default. The amount of compensation awarded shall not exceed three years' pay, including allowances for quarters or rations at the rate the member received or was allowed immediately prior to his death. No claim for compensation shall be considered unless it is made within six months after the death of the member.

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205. Sums not exceeding the pay of his rank per diem may be recommended for payment to an officer, a warrant officer, non-commissioned officer, or man of the Territorial Force for a period not exceeding six months, out of any moneys which may be voted by Parliament for that purpose, to compensate for loss of salary or wages such officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, or men who may be injured in the performance of military duty, and temporarily incapacitated from resuming their calling or trade in consequence of such injury. *Full particulars as to any injury must be communicated to the Officer Commanding the District within forty-eight hours after its occurrence (otherwise claims will not be considered);* and the Officer Commanding the District shall thereupon direct an officer (of the New Zealand Medical Corps, if possible) to report on the case. Wherever possible, a Court of Inquiry shall be assembled to inquire into the circumstances of each case, and submit its recommendation to the Officer Commanding the District. The compensation shall be limited to the period during which the officer or man shall be shown to have been wholly unable to follow his occupation, and shall not be issuable for the day of the accident or any Sunday, or for any period during which he shall have been in camp.

206. In cases where, although the N.C.O. or man is able to follow his trade or calling, medical attendance is necessary in consequence of injury or sickness, his actual medical expenses up to a maximum of 4s. a day may be repaid, provided that the Director of Medical Services is satisfied that the disability was contracted in and through the performance of military duty. The total amount issued will not in any case exceed that of a payment of 4s. a day for six months.

207. Compensation will not be allowed to a member in respect of any injury sustained by him whilst proceeding to the place of assembly, or whilst returning home after the dismissal of the company, &c., from duty.

208. If, in the opinion of the medical officer, the injury is of a permanent nature, a report shall be forwarded to the Officer Commanding the District, who shall convene a Medical Board to inquire into the case, which may recommend an amount of compensation, if any, in accordance with the following scale.

209. Permanent disability will be classified as follows:—

- One-quarter disablement.
- One-half disablement.
- Three-quarters disablement.
- Total disablement.

210. The maximum grant for total disability will not exceed three years' pay of the member's rank.

211. Application for the payment of the compensation shall be forwarded to Headquarters for consideration, and must be supported by the following documents:—

- (a.) The proceedings of the Court of Inquiry or Medical Board, if any, which reported on the case, or, if no Court of Inquiry or Medical Board was assembled, a statement setting forth in detail the circumstances under which the injury was sustained.
- (b.) A certificate showing the period during which the officer or soldier was unable to follow his calling or trade. When, however, the injury is of so severe a nature as to incapacitate the officer or soldier from following his employment for a period exceeding two months, a medical certificate showing the state of the case must be forwarded to the Officer Commanding the District at intervals of one month.
- (c.) A certificate from the employer of the officer or soldier showing the officer's or soldier's average weekly earnings, and that his pay has been stopped during the period for which compensation is claimed.
- (d.) A report from the medical officer who attended the individual or examined him.
- (e.) A statement of all medical expenses that are recommended to be defrayed by the Government.

212. An officer or soldier may be required by the Principal Medical Officer of a military district to go into a military or public hospital for treatment. Should such officer or soldier refuse to do so, the medical expenses, if any, otherwise incurred will not be defrayed by the Government.

213. It shall be the duty of the Director of Medical Services to report upon each case submitted as above.

214. Compensation may be recommended, by a Board appointed to inquire into the case, to the widow and children of any member of the Territorial Force who is killed when on duty, or dies of any injury received or disease contracted on duty, if the death, injury, or disease was not due to the member's default.

215. The compensation awarded shall not exceed three years' pay of the member's rank in the same branch of the R.N.Z.A.

216. No claim for compensation shall be considered unless made within six months after the death of the member.