

Trust Office. Authorities signed by Maoris on Treasury authority forms or any other authority form are not recognized.

1201. Payment of vouchers issued by any of the Superannuation Fund Boards must not be made to an agent unless authority has first been obtained from the Secretary to the fund on a special form which is kept in his custody.

1202. Vouchers may on no account be returned direct to the Public Trustee; but if from any cause it may be necessary to return them, they must be forwarded through the Chief Postmaster of the district to the Chief Accountant, General Post Office.

1203. Special certificates on the face of Public Trust vouchers which require the signature of the payee, or of a solicitor, must be signed before payment is effected.

1204. When upon the request of the claimant a voucher is transferred to a money-order office other than that at which it was originally made payable, such transfer should in no case be made without the sanction of the Chief Postmaster, who will report the transfer to the Chief Accountant, General Post Office.

1205. In all correspondence relative to Public Trust vouchers the "Pay-list No." should be quoted. This will always be found stated at the head of each voucher.

1206. Paid vouchers are to be treated by Sub-Postmasters as a remittance to the Chief Postmaster of the amount which they represent, and are to be entered by the Chief Postmaster on the special form of statement provided.

PUBLIC SERVICE SUPERANNUATION FUND PAYMENTS.

1207. Payments on behalf of the Public Service Superannuation Board may only be made upon the prescribed form, which must bear the authorization of the Chief Accountant, General Post Office, unless such payment is authorized by telegraph, when a receipt is to be taken on form Acct. 227, the particulars given in the telegram being written on the voucher. Claims for allowances granted under section 42 or 43 of the Public Service Classification and Superannuation Act, 1908, must have the declaration of widowhood, and life certificate, completed before payment is made. The foregoing rules relative to the payment of Public Trust vouchers are to be observed, as far as they apply, in making payments on behalf of the Public Service Superannuation Fund.

IMPERIAL PENSIONS PAID.

1208. All Imperial pensions outside Wellington are paid through the Post Office.

Generally, the rules governing miscellaneous payments will apply, but the following special instructions must be carefully observed.

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1209. In all cases where the pensions are entered on "List of Pensioners," Army Form N. 1537, and the pensioners' signatures required thereon, an endeavour should be made to pay as many as possible before the 15th of the month, on which date the total amount paid on the list must be taken credit for as "Imperial Pensions paid." Where the pensioner can more conveniently be paid at a money-order office in charge of a permanent Postmaster, his receipt may be taken on Army Form O. 1697 in duplicate, the forms attached to N. 1537, and the words "Receipt attached" written in the column "Signature." A note of the name, pension, and other particulars should be made on copies of O. 1697 for those pensioners not paid by 15th of each month, and payment made thereon if applied for during the two first months