

14. Any cadet showing special excellence in telegraph operating shall be granted an allowance of £10 per annum while favourably reported upon. (See also General Regulation 206.)

15. Any officer who, with the knowledge and authority first obtained of the Permanent Head, acts in a higher position at his own station for a longer period than three consecutive months shall be paid, while so acting, the difference between his salary and the minimum of the class above that in which he is placed. But where the acting officer is in receipt of a higher salary than the minimum of the class above, he shall be paid an allowance at the rate of £10 per annum while so acting. No officer, however, shall be paid for the same period the special payment of £10 provided for in clause 18 hereof.

16. Every male officer who was in the service of the Department on the 31st March, 1913, and who is twenty-two years of age or upwards shall receive a salary of not less than £100 per annum. (See also section 26, Public Service Act, 1912.)

17. Every male officer who is married, or who is a widower with a child or children under the age of fourteen years, shall receive a salary of not less than £130; but he shall not be entitled to claim, and shall not be paid, the additional sum of £10 mentioned in clause 18 hereof until the salary attached to his official position in the Post and Telegraph Departmental List reaches £130.

18. An officer who is married, or is a widower or a widow with a child or children under the age of fourteen years, and is drawing a salary less than £150 per annum, shall, except as provided in clause 17, be paid a sum additional to salary of £10 per annum until the salary reaches the sum of £150 per annum. When the difference between the annual salary and £150 is less than £10 a sum equal to the difference only shall be paid.

19. Officers of the General Division whose salaries do not exceed £180 per annum shall, on their service reaching fifteen years, be granted a long-service salary payment of £10. In cases where the salary is more than £180 the payment will be such a sum as will bring the total amount payable to the officer up to £190. Such payment shall not be granted to any officer unless his conduct is favourably reported on by the Permanent Head.

20. Notwithstanding the provisions of the last five preceding clauses, any portion of such salary above the classification scale for the office held shall not give the officer receiving it seniority over others in the same class or grade who entered such class or grade before that officer.

21. An officer promoted to a higher class shall receive the minimum salary of that class, except in the case of an officer who may be transferred or promoted from the Seventh Class to the Sixth Class, or from the General Division, who at the time was in receipt of a higher salary than the minimum salary of the class to which he has been transferred or promoted. Such officer shall continue to receive such first-mentioned salary until he shall be entitled to a further increment.

22. Officers of the General Division who at the time of their promotion to the Clerical Division are in receipt of a salary not in accordance with the Clerical Division schedule shall, on the anniversary of their last increment, be granted the increment to which they would have been entitled without promotion, and subsequent increments shall be according to the Clerical Division schedule.

23. Officers shall be placed at the bottom of the class to which they are promoted. Officers promoted in the same financial year to any class shall retain the same relative positions as they had before such transfer.

24. In any case in which an officer is promoted without removal from the class in which he is graded, such officer may be granted an increment to the salary next beyond that to which he would first become entitled without such promotion.

LODGING-ALLOWANCE TO OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL DIVISION.

25. Officers of the General Division of the Post and Telegraph Department when stationed away from home shall receive lodging-allowance according to the following scale :—

When the salary is £40 per annum or less	..	£	26
„ £50 per annum	..	..	20
„ £60 „	..	..	15
„ £70 „	..	..	8
„ £75 „	..	..	3