4. The badge so approved may be issued by any military officer or by any Superintendent of Mercantile Marine to such officers and men as are deemed qualified to receive and wear the same. In the case of men who are not already employed on any such vessel, badges may be issued at any time after the signing of the ship's articles. So far as practicable, the ship's articles shall be noted so as to indicate the persons to whom badges under these regulations have been issued.

5. (1.) Every badge so issued shall be accompanied by a card signed by a military officer or Superintendent of Mercantile Marine, and containing particulars as to the person to whom it is issued.

(2.) Every person to whom a badge has been issued under these regulations shall at all times while wearing the badge or having it in his personal possession carry with him the card issued to him under the last preceding subclause, and shall on the request of any military officer or constable produce the said card for his inspection.

6. No person other than a person to whom such a badge has been duly issued shall wear any such badge, or any badge so nearly re-

sembling the same as to be calculated to deceive.

7. No person shall falsely represent himself to be a person who is entitled to wear any such badge.

8. No person shall without lawful authority supply any such

badge to any person not authorized to wear the same.

9. No person to whom a badge is issued under these regulations shall wear or exhibit such badge at any time after he has ceased to be engaged or employed on any such vessel as is referred to in regulation 2 hereof; and every such person shall, on the termination in New Zealand of his employment or engagement on any such ship, surrender his badge to the Superintendent of Mercantile Marine at the port at which his employment or engagement is terminated. In the event of the termination of such employment or engagement out of New Zealand the badge shall be surrendered to the master of the vessel.

10. The master of every such vessel as is referred to in regulation 2 hereof shall keep posted in the vessel in suitable positions such number of copies of these regulations as he considers necessary for the information of the officers and crew engaged on such vessel.

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