

Class B.

16. **Engine-room Artificers.**—Fitters, coppersmiths, boilermakers, and enginemen not holding a Board of Trade certificate of competency or a certificate of competency granted under the New Zealand Shipping and Seamen Act, 1903, will be enrolled as acting engine-room artificers 4th class, provided they possess the qualifications required in the case of an acting engine-room artificer 4th class entering the seagoing service.

An acting engine-room artificer 4th class will be confirmed as engine-room artificer 4th class on completion of his first period of four days' training, if recommended by the commanding officer and engineer officer of the ship in which the training is performed. Subsequent advancement will be as stated in the next paragraph.

17. Engineers possessing a certificate of competency as 2nd or 3rd class engineer will be enrolled as engine-room artificer 4th class. They will be eligible for advancement under the regulations applicable to engine-room artificers in the seagoing forces, except that the time periods will be—

For advancement to 3rd class	..	2 years' service in the Reserve.
" 2nd class	..	6 "
" 1st class	..	11 "

18. Advancement to chief engine-room artificer 2nd class will be as for chief engine-room artificers of the seagoing forces, provided that the candidate—

- (a.) Possesses a certificate of competency as an engineer; or (b) has performed a total period of not less than six months' voluntary training in one of H.M. ships in addition to the periods of obligatory training laid down for engine-room artificers, R.N.R.

Advancement to chief engine-room artificer 1st class will be as for chief engine-room artificer 1st class in the seagoing forces.

19. Selected chief and other engine-room artificers may be promoted to probationary warrant engineers provided they—

- (a.) Are between twenty-nine and forty years of age, and physically fit;
- (b.) Hold a certificate of competency as 1st class engineer, or have passed an examination by the engineer officer for fleet duties in the subjects laid down for examination for warrant engineer in the Royal Navy, except in keeping of store accounts;
- (c.) Possess a satisfactory record of service both in the Reserve and the mercantile marine, and are recommended for promotion;
- (d.) Are considered capable of taking charge of the engines of a small ship.

Warrant engineers, chief and other engine-room artificers, who possess the necessary qualifications, and who are specially recommended by the commanding officer and engineer officers of H.M. ships in which Naval training has been carried out, may be promoted to probationary engineer lieutenant on the recommendation of the Registrar-General.

20. **Enginemen.**—Candidates will be enrolled as provisional enginemen provided they have served as enginemen of steam trawlers or other steam fishing-vessels for at least one year, and make a declaration that it is their intention to follow the sea in an engine-room capacity during the period of their engagement.

A provisionally enrolled engineman will be confirmed as engineman on the satisfactory completion of fourteen days' Naval training.

21. To qualify for advancement to chief engineman an engineman must—

- (a.) Have served for one year, and completed one period of training as engineman;
- (b.) Be specially recommended for advancement;
- (c.) Have served with general very good conduct in the Reserve;
- (d.) Be capable of taking charge of the engines of a steam trawler on Naval Service.

22. A chief engineman over two years' service will rank and receive pay as engine-room artificer 1st class. A chief engineman over one year's service will rank and receive pay as engine-room artificer 2nd class. A chief engineman under one year's service will rank and receive pay as engine-room artificer 3rd class. An engineman will rank and receive pay as a stoker petty officer of four years' seniority.

23. **Provisional Seamen.**—Candidates will be enrolled as provisional seamen provided they can produce proof that for at least two years they have followed a seafaring life in the mercantile marine or steam fishing-vessels, and declare that it is their intention to follow the sea for at least five years from the date of enrolment. They must also produce a certificate that they know the compass, are able to steer, heave the lead, tell the marks on the lead-line, and pull a good oar; and that they have served at sea within six months of making application for enrolment.