

XIX. QUALIFICATIONS.

117. (1.) Officers of the Royal Navy, or of Dominion Navies, or of the Naval Reserve of these Navies, who have resigned their commissions may apply for enrolment in the R.N.V.R. (N.Z.D.), and, if entered, shall be commissioned in the rank for which they are eligible.

(2.) Officers shall not be required to enter for any fixed period.

(3.) Warrant Officers shall be chosen only from ratings of the N.Z.R.N.R. (Classes C or D).

(4.) Officers shall be entered by the Naval Board in the particular branch of the R.N.V.R. (N.Z.D.) for which they are best fitted.

118. **Executive Officers R.N.V.R. (N.Z.D.) — Qualifications.**—(1.) Executive Officers of the R.N.V.R. (N.Z.D.) will be entered in the rank of Probationary Midshipman over the age of seventeen and under the age of twenty-one years, as Probationary Sub-Lieutenants over the age of twenty-one and under the age of twenty-four years, or, in special cases, as Probationary Lieutenants between the ages of twenty-four and twenty-eight.

(2.) The maximum age for entry as Midshipman and the minimum age of entry as Sub-Lieutenant shall be subject to periodical revision in order that it may approximate to the age at which Midshipmen R.N. are being promoted.

119. **Obligatory Naval Training—Probationary Midshipmen, Probationary Sub-Lieutenants, and Probationary Lieutenants.**—The first period of training for Probationary Midshipmen, Probationary Sub-Lieutenants, and Probationary Lieutenants shall be fourteen days, which may be taken in two periods of seven days in a seagoing ship, if such ship is available. If such ship is not available, seven days' training annually in H.M.S. "Philomel," or as ordered by the Naval Board, may be substituted.

120. **Obligatory Naval Training—Midshipmen, Sub-Lieutenants, Lieutenants, and Lieutenant-Commanders.**—The obligatory naval training of Midshipmen, Sub-Lieutenants, Lieutenants, and Lieutenant-Commanders shall consist of fourteen days annually, of which seven days must be performed in a seagoing ship or as directed by the Naval Board.

121. **Drills and Lectures.**—Executive Officers may perform part of their training by attending drills and lectures arranged for them by naval authority ashore or afloat, on subjects connected with naval warfare of either offensive or defensive character. A drill shall consist of not less than one hour's instruction in gunnery, torpedo, seamanship (including handling boats under oars and sails), mining, anti-submarine, W/T or signals, and ceremonial parades. A total of four drills or lectures shall count as one day's naval training.

122. **Promotion—Midshipman to Acting Sub-Lieutenant.**—In order to qualify for promotion to Sub-Lieutenant a Midshipman must have—

(a.) Attained the age of twenty years :

(b.) Served for two years as Midshipman, including probationary-time :

(c.) Performed the requisite obligatory naval training and been well reported on :

(d.) Passed a qualifying examination in seamanship, pilotage, and gunnery :

(e.) Been recommended for promotion.

123. **Promotion—Acting Sub-Lieutenant to Sub-Lieutenant.**—In order to qualify for promotion to Sub-Lieutenant an Acting Sub-Lieutenant must have—

(a.) Attained the age of twenty-one years :

(b.) Served for one year as Acting or Probationary Sub-Lieutenant :

(c.) Performed not less than twenty-eight days' naval training as an Acting or Probationary Sub-Lieutenant and been well reported on :

(d.) Passed a qualifying examination in seamanship, pilotage, or gunnery (for Probationary Sub-Lieutenants only) :

(e.) Been recommended for promotion.

124. **Promotion—Sub-Lieutenant to Lieutenant.**—(1.) In order to qualify for promotion to Lieutenant a Sub-Lieutenant who has performed three months' continuous naval training as Sub-Lieutenant, or who has obtained a Board of Trade yachtmaster's or superior certificate, must have—

(a.) Served for two and a half years as Sub-Lieutenant, including acting or probationary time :

(b.) Performed the requisite obligatory naval training as Sub-Lieutenant and been well reported on :

(c.) Passed a qualifying examination in seamanship, pilotage, and gunnery to a higher standard than required for promotion to Acting Sub-Lieutenant :

(d.) Been recommended for promotion by his Commanding Officer.