

The schools to which these arrangements may apply are of three kinds:—

(i) Schools at which a boy resides and receives training for a period of years: The maximum remission of sea service that will be allowed in respect of attendance at such a school will be fixed at the time of approval; it will never exceed twelve months.

(ii) Courses in navigation and seamanship at junior technical schools or similar non-residential institutions which boys attend before going to sea: The maximum remission of sea service in these cases will be fixed at the time of approval; it will never exceed six months.

(iii) Senior courses in navigation at technical or other similar non-residential schools which candidates attend after completing the whole or the larger part of the service required to qualify for examination for a second mate's certificate: The maximum remission of sea service in these cases will be fixed at the time of approval; it will never exceed three months.

In the cases of schools of classes (ii) and (iii) the certificates which the candidate produces (para. (c) above) must, in addition, testify to the candidate's continuous and regular attendance at all the approved classes; and also, in the case of schools of Class (iii), must state the total number of hours during which he has attended at the school.

A candidate who at different times has attended two or more approved schools of nautical training will be allowed a remission of sea service in respect of attendance at each of them, subject to the condition that the total remission of sea service in respect of attendance at approved schools and training-ships will not in any event exceed twelve months.

Time spent at approved schools will not be accepted in lieu of any part of the officer's service required to qualify a candidate for examination for a certificate as first mate or master; or in lieu of sea service required in consequence of failure in the oral examination. (See para. 19.)

A list of approved schools of nautical training is given in Appendix L. (109.)

**127. Service in Naval Training College.**—Time spent at the naval college at Dartmouth will, subject to the conditions laid down in para. 126, be permitted to count as equivalent to one-half the same time spent in service at sea, and a similar allowance will be made in respect of time spent on courses on shore after promotion to acting sub-lieutenant, subject to the condition that the total remission of sea service in respect of all time spent on shore shall not exceed twelve months. Time spent in shore training will not be accepted in lieu of watch-keeping service. (110.)

**128. Service in Royal Naval Reserve.**—Lieutenants, sub-lieutenants, and acting sub-lieutenants of the Royal Naval Reserve who perform sea service on board His Majesty's ships will, if accompanied by a good report, be allowed to count half the time so spent in lieu of qualifying watch-keeping service for certificates of competency as master or first mate, subject to a maximum allowance of six months for each grade of certificate.

The time spent by midshipmen in the Royal Naval Reserve on board sea-going vessels of the Royal Navy will, if accompanied by a good report, be accepted in full as qualifying sea service for a second mate's certificate, subject to a maximum allowance of six months, provided that a reasonable proportion of such time has been spent at sea and that not more than four weeks have been spent on leave.

Service in harbour ships and shore establishments of the Royal Navy will not be accepted as qualifying-service for any grade of certificate. (111.)

**129. Service in Royal Air Force.**—Officers with certificates as second mate or first mate who hold short service commissions in the Royal Air Force will, if accompanied by a good report, be allowed to count towards qualifying sea service for certificates of competency as first mate or master respectively half the time spent under instruction in aviation at a flying training school, or with a home defence unit, and half the time spent in a fleet air arm or naval co-operation unit, up to a maximum of six months in all for each grade of certificate.