

approve of payment of marriage allowance on this scale in cases where, owing to illness, misconduct, or desertion on the part of the wife, the children are placed under the care of a suitable guardian.

	Per Diem.		Per Diem.
	s. d.		s. d.
One child ..	.. 1 6	Four children ..	.. 3 0
Two children ..	.. 2 0	Five children ..	.. 3 6
Three children ..	.. 2 6	Six children or more	4 0

The regulations contained in paragraph 2, clauses (b) and (i), apply also in the case of payment of marriage allowance to widowers and others paid marriage allowance on the widowers' scale.

Article 134. Deferred Pay: Men. Cancel whole of first paragraph, and substitute:—

134. Deferred Pay: Men.—Deferred pay shall be allowed to accumulate to the credit of every rating, other than those serving on loan (category ii, Article 50) at the following rates:—

Rating or Relative Rank.	Per Diem.
	s. d.
Chief petty officer over six years .. .. .	.. 2 7
Chief petty officer under six years .. .. .	.. 2 4
Petty officer .. .. .	.. 2 0
Leading seaman .. .. .	.. 1 10
Able seaman .. .. .	.. 1 7
Ordinary seaman (over eighteen) .. .. .	.. 1 1
Boy .. .. .	.. 0 5

The above rates shall have effect from date of entry in the case of personnel entered after the 30th September, 1931, and from the 1st January, 1932, in all other cases.

Cancel present paragraph 5, and substitute—

5. The amount which has accrued on account of deferred pay shall be payable under the following conditions:—

- (i) On completion of each engagement.
- (ii) On discharge, except as prescribed in paragraph 3 of this regulation and as hereunder in the case of ratings discharged by purchase or discharged at their own request without payment of purchase-money.
- (iii) In the case of a rating discharged by purchase or at his own request without payment of purchase-money (Article 192), deferred pay credited to the account of such rating shall not be payable other than in very exceptional circumstances. In any case only a percentage will be paid, the amount being decided by the Naval Board according to the merits of the application for discharge.

With regard to (ii) the Naval Board may authorize payment to be made at other times in very special circumstances when the applicant can prove to the satisfaction of the Board that it would be materially to his advantage to be allowed to draw the whole or a portion of the sum that has accrued, as, for example, to purchase property shortly before discharge is due to take place.

Article 142. Pay: Advances: Cancel 1st paragraph, and substitute:—

142. Pay: Advances.—Men travelling on duty by freight from England may, if they so desire, receive advances of pay up to the following maxima:—

Chief petty officers ..	£ 16	} Less the amount of the allotment in force during the period of the passage.
Petty officers ..	12	
Other ratings ..	9	

Article, 169: Cancel present article, and substitute:—

169. Recruiting: Medical Fees.—A fixed fee not exceeding one guinea per capita shall be payable to medical practitioners for the examination of Naval recruits at places where there is no Naval Medical Officer or Surgeon and Agent available.

Article 174. Civilian Witnesses at Courts Martial: Amend amounts in paragraph 1 from £1 ls., 10s., and 4s. respectively to £1, 9s., and 3s. 6d. respectively.