

*Regulations under the Naval Defence Act, 1913, amended.*

GALWAY, Governor-General.

## ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 18th day of February, 1937.

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. M. J. SAVAGE PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on him by section twenty-five of the Naval Defence Act, 1913, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General, with the advice of the Executive Council, doth hereby amend and supplement the regulations referred to in the Schedule hereto as shown therein.

## SCHEDULE.

**Regulations for the Government and Payment of the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy, 1929.***Article 92:* Cancel, and substitute:—

92. *New Zealand Ratings.*—Ratings who have regularly joined or who have been permanently transferred to the New Zealand Division may be allowed twenty-eight days' leave per annum whilst serving on the New Zealand Station. For the purpose of leave, ratings whose Royal Navy engagements have expired and who continue to serve in the New Zealand Division under their loan agreements will be regarded as loan ratings. Ratings who proceed to Australia for courses in Royal Australian Navy Establishments not exceeding six months in duration will continue to be regarded as serving on the New Zealand Station for the purpose of leave. The procedure to be adopted where absence from New Zealand exceeds six months is laid down in paragraphs 4 and 5 below.

2. The leave year for New Zealand ratings is to commence on 1st April of each year.

3. Leave cannot be deferred from year to year, except that during the last three years of a man's engagement he may be given the option of deferring fourteen days of the authorized annual allowance of twenty-eight days' leave, such leave to be allowed to accumulate and taken at the end of his engagement.

4. New Zealand ratings who proceed to England for courses, or for "Interchange" service in the Royal Navy, and ratings who proceed to Australia for courses which normally exceed six months in duration, may be granted ten days' leave before departure from New Zealand. In addition, the proportionate amount of leave due to them in the current leave year, reckoned to the anticipated date of departure from New Zealand, may also be granted.

5. On return to New Zealand, the ratings specified in paragraph 4 may be granted foreign-service leave at the rate of fourteen days for each year, seven days for six months, and one day for each completed month in periods of less than six months, of absence from New Zealand, reckoned from the date of leaving New Zealand to the date of return, irrespective of any leave which may have been granted whilst absent from New Zealand. They may also be granted leave at the rate of twenty-eight days per annum (fourteen days for six months, and two days for each completed month in periods of less than six months) for the unexpired portion of the current New Zealand leave year, reckoned from the date of return to New Zealand—*e.g.*, a man returning to New Zealand on 1st May, in addition to his foreign-service leave, would be eligible for twenty-four days' leave before the subsequent 31st March.

6. In the event of ships of the New Zealand Division being detached for service in the Royal Navy, the scale of leave applicable to New Zealand ratings on departure from and on return to New Zealand is to be that laid down in paragraphs 4 and 5 above respectively.

7. *Training Establishment.*—Ratings under training in the Training Establishment at Auckland may be granted leave as follows—Fourteen days at Christmas, fourteen days at Easter, fourteen days in August, each year.

8. Ratings joining a seagoing ship from the Training Establishment for the first time may be granted twenty-eight days' leave in the current leave year if they join before receiving Easter leave, or fourteen days if after receiving Easter leave. Drafting leave is not to be granted to ratings about to be discharged to sea service.