

47. PROMOTION OF TECHNICAL OFFICERS (EQUIPMENT BRANCH).

The promotion to flight lieutenant or squadron leader of a technical officer will be by selection within the approved establishment.

48. MEDICAL BRANCH: PROMOTION IN.

Promotion shall be within the discretion of the Air Board and may be made subject to such conditions as it thinks fit.

49. ATTACHMENTS, SECONDMENTS, AND LOANS.

Officers may be attached to, seconded or loaned for service in other forces of the Crown, or civil departments of State, and officers of such other forces or departments may be attached to, seconded or loaned for service in the Air Force, and the conditions governing such attachments, secondments, or loans shall be upon such terms as may be agreed between the Air Board and the authorities concerned.

50. APPOINTMENT OF AIDES-DE-CAMP.

(1) Officers of the Air Force may be appointed as honorary Aides-de-Camp to the Governor-General for gallantry and distinguished service in the field or for meritorious service.

(2) To be eligible for appointment officers shall be of permanent substantive rank not below that of squadron leader or higher than that of group captain.

(3) The appointments shall automatically terminate when the Governor-General vacates office.

51. APPOINTMENTS TO BE HELD DURING PLEASURE.

An officer shall hold his appointment during the pleasure of the Governor-General.

52. APPLICATIONS TO RETIRE, ETC.

(1) Except during time of war or national emergency and except as otherwise prescribed, an officer may by writing under his hand apply through his commanding officer to the Air Board to retire, resign, or transfer to the reserve.

(2) An officer who wishes to retire, resign, or transfer to the reserve shall, in making his application, give his reasons in full in order to enable the Air Board to arrive at a decision. Only in special circumstances will an officer holding a short service commission in the Regular Air Force be permitted to resign or transfer to the reserve at his own request before he has completed his term of service on the Active List.

(3) A resignation by an officer of his commission shall not have effect until it has been accepted by the Governor-General.

53. RESIGNATION OF OFFICERS TRAINED AS PILOTS.

(1) An officer who has been selected for training as a pilot and whose training as such has commenced shall be required to give a written undertaking that he will refund to the Government the cost of his flying training or such portions thereof as the Air Board may decide should he fail to carry out the prescribed service or training. The fact that an officer's resignation has been accepted by the Governor-General shall not affect such undertaking.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (1) of this regulation, the Air Board may discontinue the training of any officer under this regulation at any time.

(3) Where the training of an officer under this regulation is not completed the Air Board may dispense with the requirements of this regulation.

54. RETIRED LIST.

(1) The Governor-General may place officers on a Retired List subject to such conditions as the Air Board may approve.

(2) The appointments of officers of the Retired List shall be liable to be terminated if they fail during the month of July to report their address in writing to the Air Board and any permanent changes of address as they occur.