

*2372.—Gunner, R.M.A., and Private, R.M.L.I.—Assimilation of Pay.

(N. 7777/21.—15.7.1921.)

With reference to M.O. 2359/20, Class Request No. 138, the pay of Gunners, R.M. Artillery, and Privates, R.M.L.I., is to be assimilated and these ranks will in future be paid according to the following scale, in substitution for the rates authorised by K.R. and A.I., Appendix XV, Part I, Nos. 165 to 167 (as amended by M.O. 2876/20.) The Recruit, R.M. Artillery, will be called a Gunner, and Gunners will cease to be graded as 1st and 2nd Class.

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Gunner } on enlistment 2 9 per diem.	
Private } 2 9 per diem.	
After one year's service or on completion of drills 3 6 , ,	
On completing training ready for embarkation 4 0 , ,	
After three years' man's service 4 6 , ,	

2. The new scale of pay will come into operation as from 13th May, 1921, the following cases being dealt with as specified :—

- (a) Gunners, 2nd Class, receiving the 3s. 6d. rate of pay, but with less than one year's service and not completed recruit drills
and
- (b) Gunners, 1st Class, receiving the 4s. rate, but not yet completed training ready for embarkation will be allowed to retain existing rates until normally entitled under the new conditions.
- (c) Gunners, 2nd Class, receiving the 3s. 6d. rate, who have failed to qualify for Gunner, 1st Class, but have not yet completed training ready for embarkation are entitled to continuance of the 3s. 6d. rate under the new scheme, and will be advanced to the 4s. rate on completing training ready for embarkation.

- (d) Gunners, 2nd Class, receiving the 3s. 6d. rate, who, having failed to qualify for Gunner, 1st Class, have embarked, or have completed training ready for embarkation are to be advanced forthwith to the 4s. or higher rate according to service.
- (e) Recruits receiving the 2s. 9d. rate, undergoing the short course of Naval Gunnery with a view to qualifying as Gunner, 2nd Class, will be advanced to the 3s. 6d. rate when they have successfully completed the gunnery course they are now undergoing or on completion of one year's service, whichever is the earlier.
- (f) Gunners, 2nd Class, receiving the 3s. 6d. rate, undergoing the long Naval Gunnery course with a view to qualifying as Gunner, 1st Class, will be advanced to the 4s. rate when they have successfully passed the gunnery course they are now undergoing.

3. The Commandant, R.M. Artillery, will communicate with H.M. Ships as regards any necessary adjustment of pay of men serving afloat.

(M.O.s 1809/19 and 2359/20.)

(K.R. and A.I., Appendix XV, Part I, Nos. 165-167.)

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