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PAID LANCE NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

With reference to Her Majesty's Order-in-Council,
dated 3rd March 1894.

2. The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have
approved of the following numbers of *Paid Lance*
Non-Commissioned Officers being allowed for service
afloat and ashore until further orders :—

Approval
by Lords
Commis-
sioners
of Ad-
miralty of
numbers
of Paid
Lance
Ranks.

	Allowed.
For ships whose Marine detachment numbers 11 and upwards.	1 Paid Lance-Corporal at 3d. a day.
For ships whose Marine detachment numbers 25 and upwards.	1 Paid Lance-Sergeant at 4d. a day; 1 Paid Lance-Corporal or Acting-Bombardier at 3d. a day.
For ships whose Marine detachment numbers 61 and upwards.	1 Paid Lance-Sergeant at 4d. a day; 2 Paid Lance-Corporals or Acting-Bombardiers at 3d. a day each.
For ships whose Marine detachment numbers over 100.	2 Paid Lance-Sergeants at 4d. a day each ; 2 Paid Lance - Corporals or Acting-Bombardiers at 3d. a day each.

The proportion allowed for detachments below 100 will be maintained for complements over that strength.

When detachment is below 8, number of Paid Lance ranks allowed (Reserve).

When detachment numbers 11 and over, Paid Lance ranks allowed (Reserve).

When the fourth part of a Marine detachment is below 8, the Paid Lance-Corporal or Acting-Bombardier allowed for the full complement of the ship when in commission to be embarked for charge of care and maintenance party in Reserve, in lieu of a Corporal.

When the fourth part of a Marine detachment numbers 11 and over, the Paid Lance-Sergeant allowed for the full complement of the ship when in commission to be embarked for charge of the care and maintenance party in Reserve, in lieu of a Sergeant.

3. The numbers of Paid Lance Non-Commissioned Officers allowed according to the above scale in the complement of a ship's detachment will be shewn in Mobilisation Return No. 1, and on a ship commissioning the Paid Lance ranks to which she may be entitled are to be embarked from Head Quarters as part of the detachment. No. of Paid Lance ranks allowed will be shewn in No. 1 Return.

4. Vacancies arising in these positions afloat will be filled from the Marine detachment, or furnished from Head Quarters on requisition at the discretion of the Captain. Vacancies, how to be filled afloat.

5. As every Paid Lance appointment afloat belongs to the ship to which it is assigned, and can only entitle the holder to draw the pay allowed for it as long as he remains on the books of the ship and carries out the duty, every Paid Lance Non-Commissioned Officer or Paid Acting-Bombardier afloat will cease to draw pay as such on his disembarkation to Divisional Head Quarters. When holder is entitled to draw pay.

6. Vacancies in the number of Paid Lance appointments assigned for the service on shore may be filled at the discretion of the Commandant by Non-Commissioned Officers and Men who have already served afloat in Paid Lance ranks, or as Paid Acting-Bombardiers. Vacancies, how to be filled on shore.

7. The proportion of Paid Lance-Sergeants, Paid Lance-Corporals, and Paid Acting-Bombardiers allowed for Marine Divisions and the Dépôt not to exceed one-half of the number assigned for the service afloat. Proportion for Marine Divisions and Dépôt.

8. The numbers assigned for the service afloat and ashore to be fixed for the present as follows :— Numbers assigned afloat and ashore.

	Lance-Sergeants.	Maximum.
Afloat	
Ashore	150 } = 220
	...	70 }

	Lance-Corporals.	Maximum.
Afloat	
Ashore	300 } = 450
	...	150 }

These numbers not to be increased without special Admiralty authority. Not to be increased.

Numbers allotted to
Marine Divisions
and
Depôt.

9. The numbers assigned for the service on shore are allotted to R.M. Divisions and Depôt as follows :—

	Lance-Sergeants.	Lance-Corporals.	Acting-Bom-bardiers.
Eastney	13	—	27
Chatham	16	36	—
Gosport	16	36	—
Plymouth	16	36	—
R.M. Depôt	9	15	—
	70		150

With- drawals.

One Paid Lance-Sergeant and two Paid Acting-Bombardiers will be withdrawn from the numbers allotted to Eastney and added to those assigned to the Depôt on the return of the R.M.A. Recruits to Walmer for training.

Appoint- ments at Divisions and Depôt to be made by Com- manding Officers.

10. Appointments to the extent of the numbers laid down for each Division and the Depôt, and with the rates of pay allowed by Order-in-Council, may be made by Colonels Commandant and Officers Commanding from the 1st April 1894, a certain number of such appointments being apportioned to each of the following or other departments of the Division and Depôt at the discretion of the Colonel Commandant, etc., namely:—

Staff Office

Pay Office.

Quartermaster's Office and Department.
Barrackmaster's Office and Department.

the extra pay assigned to the men.

When
extra pay
is not to
be issued.

12. Paid Lance-Corporals and Paid Acting-Bombardiers are to continue in receipt of Good Conduct pay. To be paid Good Conduct pay.

13. The number and distribution of Paid Lance ranks and Paid Acting-Bombardiers to be shewn in General Weekly Returns, columns 12 and 13, front page, being utilised for the purpose, pending reprint of the form. Number and distribution to be shewn in General Weekly Returns.

14. Paid Lance Non-Commissioned Officers at the Depôt will, on re-joining Head Quarters, cease pay as such, unless re-appointed at the discretion of the Commandant to fill a vacancy at their Division. Paid Lance ranks from the Depôt, disposal of, on re-joining Head Quarters.

15. The Lance ranks are to be supplied with chevrons under the same regulations as other Non-Commissioned Officers. Chevrons, how to be supplied.

R.M. Office Circular, No. 1329/94, of 28th March and 9th April 1894, are hereby cancelled.

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