

ADJUTANT GENERAL,
ROYAL MARINES.
 R.M. No. 8001/9/43.A.1.
CIRCULAR.

Admiralty,
 Queen Anne's Mansions, Petty France,
 London, S.W.1.
 26th June, 1943.

Establishment of N.C. Officers and men for 1942-43

The establishment of N.C. Officers and men, (A) Substantive and (B) Non-substantive, to be reached by 31st March, 1943, is as follows :-

(A) - SUBSTANTIVE - Active Service, Pensioner, R.F. Reserve and H.O.

Rank	Gen. Staff.	Chats.	Ports.	Ply.	Deal.	Exmouth	S of M.	TOTAL
Staff Sergeant	6	17	27 (b)(e)	17	15	13	5	100
Colour Sergeant	-	107	122	91	1	-	-	321
Sergeant	-	294(a)	346(a)	302(a)	-	-	-	942
Corporal	-	380	496	373	-	-	-	1249
Corporal Bugler	-	7	11	9	-	-	-	27
Bugler	-	76	99	90	-	-	-	265
Marine	-	2938(a)	3596(a)	2940(a)	6	-	-	9480(a)
Quadrantmaster 1st Cl.	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	37
Quadrantmaster 2nd Cl.	-	-	-	-	-	-	92	92
Band Corporal	-	-	-	-	-	-	138	138
Musician	-	35	44	35	-	-	1374	1488
TOTAL	6(e)	3854	4704	3637	22	13	1646	14159

Included in the

above								214
Marine as Butcher	64	81	69	-	-	-	-	3
Marine as Lamptrimmer	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	10
Marine as Barber	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-

- NOTES :-
- (a) 1 R.M.S. Instructor may be appointed Q.M.S.I. of Signalling
 - (b) Includes 1 for Malta
 - (c) N.C. Officers (other than Staff Sergeants) serving at the R.M. Office excluded - See (p) of para. 2.
 - (d) M.O.A.M., R.F. Drivers and Tradesmen excluded - See (o) and (q) of para. 2.
 - (e) One may be Acting Sergeant Major for duty at the R.M.S.A. School, Brownlow

Royal Marines employed in the following categories have been excluded from the above numbers and all such personnel are allowed in excess :-

- (a) All R.N. Units for which separate establishments have been issued
- (b) D.E.M.S. personnel
- (c) Recruits and Band Boys
- (d) Pensioner Recruiters
- (e) Banks loaned to the Dominion Navies
- (f) Prisoners of War and Missing
- (g) Banks employed on duties not normally performed by Royal Marines, eg., RTO, etc.

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- (j) R.M. Air Station Defence Force
- (k) Fleet Air Arm Instructors
- (l) War Headquarters of the Cabinet
- (m) Vulnerable Points
- (n) Observation Minefields
- (o) Tradesmen and M.T. Drivers
- (p) N.C. Officers (other than Staff Sergeants) serving at the R.M. Office
- (q) M.O.A.s
- (r) Personnel serving in Combined Operations Craft

3. The difference between the 1939, i.e., the permanent, numbers and these 1942 numbers are to be made up by temporary promotions as applicable and as from the date of this Circular.

4. Personnel, other than those shown in para.1, allowed in individual complements, e.g., Deal, R.M.S., R.M.T.T.D., R.W.S of M., etc., are included in the numbers under Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth in accordance with the inter-divisional allocations shown in the various appendices to Complements of R.M. Divisions, etc., together with the additional instructors allowed for the year by the Sliding Scales (Appendix IX). The number of additional instructors included has been arrived at from the reports rendered in accordance with Circular R.M.No. 8280/1/43.A.1 dated 19th March, 1943.

(d) -NON-SUBSTANTIVE RATINGS (Active Service, Pensioner, R.F. Reserve and R.O.

Rating	Chatham	Portsmouth	Plymouth	TOTAL
Gunnery Instructor	42(a)	46(a)	41(a)	131(a)
Quarters Rating 1st Class	46)	63)	50)	161)
Control Rating 1st Class	18)66(a)	18)81(a)	9)59(a)	45)206(a)
Quarters Rating 2nd Class	119	140	109	368
Layer Rating 2nd Class	25	28	21	74
Control Rating 2nd Class	30	21	21	72
Quarters Rating 3rd Class (b)	311	365	329	1005
Layer Rating 3rd Class	163	212	160	535
Control Rating 3rd Class	20	20	22	62
Q.O. (c)	51	59	55	165
R.M. Signalling Instructor	20	20	21	61
R.M. Signaller 1st Class	155	159	253	567
R.M. Signaller 2nd Class				
R.T.I. 1st Class	33	40	30	103
R.T.I. 2nd Class	68	72	70	210
Staff P.R.T. Instructor	2	4	2	8
P.R.T. Instructor 1st Class	14(a)	16(a)	19(a)	49
P.R.T. Instructor 2nd Class	26	31	25	80

(a) The duties of 86 of these 1st Class Ratings (i.e., 27 Chatham, 32 Portsmouth & 27 Plymouth) are to be carried out by Gunnery Instructors so that the combined requirement of Gunnery Instructors and 1st Class Ratings is 251 (i.e., 81 Chatham, 97 Portsmouth & 73 Plymouth) and the net requirement of 1st Class Ratings is 120 (i.e., 33 Chatham, 49 Portsmouth & 32 Plymouth)

(b) Minimum requirements and excluding Q.O.s.

(c) Excludes additional R.M. Q.O.s allowed to Capital ships and Cruisers by AFO.3567/40 and 5025/41

(d) One P.R.T. Instructor 1st Class may be rated Staff P.R.T. Instructor when no P.R.T. Officer is borne.

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NOTE - Director Layers who have not been awarded a new 1st Class Rate are to be borne in lieu of Layer Ratings 2nd Class

Rangefinders 1st Class who have not been awarded a new 1st Class rate are to be borne in lieu of Control Ratings 2nd Class

Any Control Ratings 2nd Class surplus to requirements are to be borne in lieu of Control Ratings 3rd Class.

Instructors for Deal, Depot, R.M., Lympstone, R.N. School of Music, R.N. Military School, R.M.T.F.D., and School of Signalling, allowed either by complement or Sliding Scale, are included in the numbers of M.S. Ratings shown under Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth. Details are as follows :-

Establishment	Rating	Numbers included under		
		Chatham	Portsmouth	Plymouth
Depot R.M., Lympstone	M.T.I. 1st Class	8	8	8
	M.T.I. 2nd Class	7	7	7
	P.R.T.I. 1st Class	4	4	4
	P.R.T.I. 2nd Class	1	1	1
Deal	M.T.I. 1st Class	6	5	6
	M.T.I. 2nd Class	10	9	9
	Staff P.R.T.I.	2	2	2
	P.R.T.I. 1st Class	1	2	2
	P.R.T.I. 2nd Class	6	6	7
R.N. School of Music	M.T.I. 2nd Class	1	1	1
	P.R.T.I. 1st or 2nd Cl.	1	1	1
School of Signalling	R.N.S. Instructor	5	5	6
	R.N.S. 1st Class	1	-	-
	R.N.S. 2nd Class	3	3	3
R.N. Military School	M.T.I. 1st Class	7	7	6
	M.T.I. 2nd Class	1	1	1
	P.R.T.I. 1st Class	1	-	-
	P.R.T.I. 2nd Class	1	-	-
	Gunnery Instructor	1	1	1

- NOTES :-**
- Numbers allowed by complement - Sliding Scale not applicable. 1st or 2nd Class Instructors may be employed according to ratings available (Note (a) Appendix XII).
 - 2, 1 and 2 under Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth wide Allocation in App. I others per Sliding Scale.
 - Per Sliding Scale
 - Wide Allocation in Appendix X
 - Wide Allocation in Appendix XIII. 1 P.R.T.I. 1st Class may be rated.
 - Staff P.R.T.I.
 - 1 under Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth wide Allocation in Appendix XIV - others per Sliding Scale
 - Wide Allocation in Appendix XIV
 - Wide Allocation in Appendix XX - All shown 1st class for estimate purposes, but 1st or 2nd Class Instructors may be employed according to ratings available (Note (f) Appendix XX). Includes 3 for H.C.O.s Wing (1 Chatham, 1 Portsmouth and 1 Plymouth)
 - Per Sliding Scale - Includes 12 for H.C.O.s Wing (4 Chatham, 4 Portsmouth and 4 Plymouth)
 - Wide Allocation in Appendix XX - Shown as 3 1st Class and 1 2nd Class for estimate purposes, but 1st or 2nd Class may be employed according to ratings available (Note (f) Appendix XX)
 - Each allocated to Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth for estimate purposes.

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