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With effect from 1st January, 1957, the titles LH and LD will be discontinued.

2. By that date all LH and LD rates will have become LC rates at the same level, and no further conversion courses will be arranged.

3. The conversion will be carried out as follows:—

- (a) By 1st July, 1956, DOPAR will inform all Commanding Officers of the names of any man holding LH or LD rates serving under their command.
- (b) Commanding Officers will inform DOPAR whether they agree to the conversion of these men.
- (c) In special cases, where the Commanding Officer may have doubts of the men's ability in handling Landing Craft, training is to be arranged locally within the Unit's own resources or at the nearest Amphibious Unit. No such training is to be carried out after 1st January, 1957.

4. Any man who is not considered suitable to hold the LC rate, is to be dealt with in accordance with RMI 0433 paragraph 2, and attention is therefore drawn to BR 1950 Article 515. In assessing efficiency, Commanding Officers must take into account the man's recent employment, his general efficiency and his likelihood of future employment in Landing Craft units.

5. Details of re-classification should be forwarded to DOPAR by Part II Order or R.23c, whichever is applicable.

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