

SPECIALIST QUALIFICATIONS - ROYAL MARINES BAND SERVICE (M)

There are three specialist qualifications in the Royal Marines Band Service namely :-

M 1, M 2, M 3.

2. (a) These qualifications may be awarded as a result of tests carried out before the Director of Music of one of the following :-

Royal Marines School of Music
Staff Band, Portsmouth Group RM
Staff Band, Plymouth Group RM

(b) Ranks who possess or obtain a LRAM Diploma (Military Band Conducting) will be considered as fully qualified for M 1.

3. A slightly modified standard of performance will be accepted on the secondary instrument of the double handed performers. The choice of primary and secondary instruments in the case of the double handed instrumentalist will be left to the candidate.

4. Musicians will be required to prepare themselves for these tests and must produce for the Director of Music conducting the test a certificate, signed by their Commanding Officer, of sustained endeavour in the performance of Band Ceremonial Duties.

5. The Tests are as follows :-

(a) M 1

Instrumental. Candidates will be required to have qualified for M 2 and will be required to pass the following tests :-

		Marks	
		Total	Pass
(i)	To play a solo of accepted concert standard of their own selection on their respective instruments.	100	75
(ii)	To play from sight works of advanced difficulty.	100	75
(iii)	To be able to play all major and minor scales and arpeggios, chromatic scales and dominant and diminished 7th arpeggios throughout the compass of the instrument with rapidity.	100	75
(iv)	To answer viva voce questions on the Rudiments of Music of a very advanced standard.	100	75

Total Marks 400