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COOKS BRANCH - FORMATION.

In order to improve the standard of cooking in the Royal Marines, all RM Cooks will, in future, be enlisted from civilian life especially for this purpose on CS and SS engagements. They will be formed into a separate cooks branch, analogous to the cooks branch of the Royal Navy, with NCOs disposed proportionately.

2. On enlistment, RM cooks will undergo the normal basic recruit training, followed by cookery courses at Naval and Army Schools. Subsequently they will be employed solely on cookery duties for the remainder of their service.
3. All qualified RM cooks will be transferred to the new branch with effect from 1st December, 1947.
4. The records, drafting and promotion of NCOs within the cooks branch will be effected by the Central Pay and Records Office, Royal Marines, when established.