

*Note.*—Nos. 1682—1724 will appear as *Monthly Orders*.  
**1725.—Auxiliary Patrol Motor Launches and Motor Boats.**  
 (Y.P. 9892/16—27.7.1916).

#### CHANGES OF TITLES.

As misunderstandings have arisen regarding the ratings serving in Motor Launches and Motor Boats of the Auxiliary Patrol, owing to the similarity of titles and to the fact that the titles themselves are not sufficiently descriptive of the duties performed by the men, it has been decided that on and after the 1st August, 1916, the present titles of Chief Motor Boatman and Motor Boatman (E) will be altered as follows:—

<i>Old Title.</i>	<i>New Title.</i>
Chief Motor Boatman (C.M.B.).	Chief Motor Mechanic (C.M.M.).
Motor Boatman (E) (M.B. (E)).	Motor Mechanic (M.M.).

#### QUALIFICATIONS OF MECHANICS.

2. The prospects of delivery of 550 Motor Launches with high-powered twin-screw engines and auxiliary starting and lighting plant has necessitated the provision of some 1,500 mechanics with generally higher qualifications than those required for the much lower powered motor boats lent to the State by the owners in time of national emergency. These mechanics are being recruited on the following standard:—

- Chief Motor Mechanics . . . Five years practical experience in workshops and a high knowledge of internal combustion engines, and their repair.
- Motor Mechanics . . . Two years ditto and a good knowledge of internal combustion engines and their repair.

No one is now eligible or should be recommended for either of these ratings unless he has these qualifications.

#### PROMOTION OF MECHANICS.

3. Motor Mechanics are eligible for promotion to the rating of Chief Motor Mechanic if they have—

- (i.) Satisfactorily passed the instructional courses now established in H.M.S. "Hermione," at Southampton, or those formerly carried out in H.M.S. "Fisgard," at Portsmouth.
- (ii.) Four months service from date of passing out of the Instructional School.
- (iii.) The recommendation of the Commanding Officer of the Motor Launch in which they serve, confirmed by the Officer commanding the Area;

These recommendations should at once be forwarded direct to the Yacht Patrol Office, Admiralty, for the consideration of Their Lordships, and thereafter on the first of each succeeding month.

The full Christian names, rating and official number of the man recommended should be given, also the number of the M.L. in which he is serving.

To save correspondence, lists of these promotions will be published in Fleet Orders from time to time.

#### RESERVE OF MECHANICS AT BASES.

4. Owing to the number of Chief Motor Mechanics and Motor Mechanics required to meet anticipated deliveries of Motor Launches, it is not at present possible to draft these ratings to ports, bases or depôts for shore duties, relief crews, or repair parties, and all such ratings at present borne over the numbers of two per Motor Launch should be immediately discharged (so as to be available to meet drafting requirements) to H.M.S.



"Hermione," the Yacht Patrol depôt ship for Motor Boat Reserve ratings at Southampton. When the recruiting in Canada and New Zealand, &c., is completed and the full numbers are available, it is intended to establish a small reserve of Chief Motor Mechanics and Motor Mechanics at each base for repair work, and to act as temporary reliefs when required. In the meantime it should be remembered that the Chief Motor Mechanics are generally capable of executing all but the largest repairs, and should a Motor Launch be laid up, full use should be made of these men's capabilities in repairing their own machinery in any workshop that is available.

#### MOTOR BOATMEN.

5. The title of Motor Boatman remains unchanged. This rating performs the duties of an Able Seaman, with whom he ranks. These men are mostly serving in Motor Boats at sea, or in "Hermione," as navigating parties or in instructional vessels. The Motor Launch seamen are, for the present, drawn from the Special Trawler Reserve, and serve under the regulations of that force.

#### RELIEFS, DISCHARGES, PROMOTIONS, ETC.

6. All recommendations and applications for reliefs, entries, discharges and promotions of Chief Motor Mechanics, Motor Mechanics and Motor Boatmen should be made to Yacht Patrol Office, Admiralty. When asking for a relief the disposal or address of the man to be relieved should be given, so that arrangements may be made for his transfer to H.M.S. "Hermione." H.M.S. "Hermione" should not be addressed on these subjects, as that vessel in addition to being a depôt, is an instructional school for officers and men, and does not draft or promote ratings without Admiralty authority, as the convenience of instructional work, classes, &c., has to be taken into account.

7. The Admiralty and H.M.S. "Hermione" are the only establishments authorised to enter men.

#### STATUS OF RATINGS.

8. The following relative ranks for disciplinary purposes are laid down for the personnel of the Motor Boat Reserve:—

Chief Motor Mechanic under one year's service ranks with E.R.A. 3rd class.

Chief Motor Mechanic over one year's service ranks with E.R.A. 2nd class.

Chief Motor Mechanic over two years' service ranks with E.R.A. 1st class.

Motor Mechanic with Leading Stoker.

Motor Boatman with Able Seaman.

This arrangement does not imply that the Motor Boat Reserve ratings will receive the pay of their equivalent naval ratings.

#### OFFICIAL NUMBERS.

9. As the Motor Boat Reserve is a section of the R.N.V.R. the Official Numbers of the ratings are to be shown in future as "R.N.V.R. M.B. /1," &c., on Ship's Books and all other documents relating to them.

#### OBSOLETE BOOKS AND FORMS.

10. The orders and instructions laid down and issued in the booklet entitled "Instructions for the Guidance of the R.N. Motor Boat Reserve" are hereby cancelled, and the necessary details of organisation, personnel, materiel, &c., should be governed by the King's Regulations and Admiralty instructions and such Admiralty Orders (Weekly, Monthly and Confidential) as are issued from time to time.

11. The following forms, returns, &c., are now obsolete, and no more supplies will be made:—

M.B.R. 2.—Account of receipt of stores;

M.B.R. 5.—Demands for stores;

M.B.R. 7.—Report of defects;

M.B.R. 8.—Nominal list of officers and men serving.



28. *Chief Motor Mechanics :—*

No. 1 Dress (best) .. Double-breasted navy cloth coat, vest and trousers, with gold buttons and gold collar badges, cloth cap with patent leather peak and special badge (gold).

No. 2 Dress (working) .. As above, but with red collar badges, and gold cap badge, but in serge.

29. *Motor Mechanics and Motor Boatmen :—*

No. 1 Dress (best) .. As for Chief Motor Mechanic, except coat and waistcoat have horn buttons instead of gold. Red collar badges and red cap badge. This suit is in serge.

No. 2 Dress (working) .. As for No. 1 (second best suit).

30. Chief Motor Mechanics and Motor Mechanics are required to provide themselves with a blue overall suit. Where brown have been already purchased they may be worn out.

31. All three ratings may wear a blue navy jersey without any distinction marks, over the waistcoat and under the coat when afloat in cold weather, or on shore when directed.

32. Black uniform boots are worn by all ratings.

33. All three ratings should wear blue check shirts, blue turn-down collars, and black sailor knot ties in working dress, and white shirts and white turn down collars, and bow ties in No. 1 dress, as laid down for similarly dressed naval ratings.

34. Sea boots, black oilskin and black Sou'wester of usual naval pattern are optional for all three ratings.

35. *White Uniform :—*

Officers .. .. As for R.N.V.R.

Chief Motor Mechanic, } White cap cover; white tunic with  
Motor Mechanic, and } stand up collar as for naval ratings;  
Motor Boatman. } white trousers; black boots.

Chief Motor Mechanics wear gold buttons on white uniform and Motor Mechanics and Motor Boatmen wear horn buttons. Cap badges remain unchanged.

Arm badges which are blue on a white ground are worn on white uniform on the right cuff, three inches from the end, as for naval ratings.

36. Chief Motor Mechanics receive £7 10s. and Motor Mechanics receive £5 10s. as a gratuity to help to provide their uniform on entry.

The difference of £2 is to be credited to a Motor Mechanic on promotion to Chief Motor Mechanic.

37. Motor Boatmen receive £5 10s. as a uniform gratuity.

38. If required to provide white uniform each rating receives an extra gratuity of £2 10s. This amount is for the provision of—

3 white tunics;

3 pairs white trousers;

3 cap covers;

3 blue arm badges on white ground.

39. The cost of upkeep and replacement of uniform devolves upon officers and men, as in other branches of the naval service.

40. *Cap Badges*, with R.N. M.B.R. device, remain unchanged.

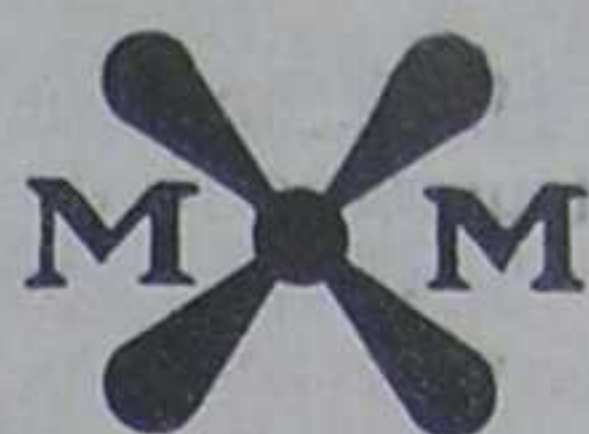
41. *Collar Badges :—*

Chief Motor Mechanic .. The letters C.M.M. }  
and a four-bladed propeller. }





Motor Mechanic . . . The letters M.M. }  
and a four-bladed propeller. }



Motor Boatman . . . The letters M.B. }  
and an Admiralty pattern anchor. }



New stocks of collar badges will shortly become available. Old badges may be worn until they require replacement.

42. Arm badges have the same device as collar badges, but are in arm badge size.

NOTE.—Deckhands in Motor Launches wear the prescribed uniform of the Special Trawler Reserve.

#### PAY OF OFFICERS AND MEN.

43. The pay of the officers and men is as shewn in A.M.O. 180/1916, as amended by W.O. 1547/1916, and is here reprinted for convenience.

#### MOTOR LAUNCH SERVICE—PAY AND ALLOWANCES.

The following emoluments have been approved :—

R.N.V.R.	Pay.	Hard lying money.	Provision Allowance.	
Commanders - -	22/-	3/-	1/5	(5/- a day Command Money when in command).
Lieut. Commanders-	13/-	3/-	1/5	(3/9 a day Command Money plus 1/- a day additional full pay when in command).
Lieut. Commanders (temporary).	11/-	3/-	1/5	
Lieutenants of four years' seniority.	12/-	3/-	1/5	
Lieutenants under two years' seniority.	11/-	3/-	1/5	
Lieutenants (temp.)-	11/-	3/-	1/5	
Sub-Lieut. (temp.) -	7/6	2/-	1/5	(2/- a day Command Money when in command).
				(1/- a day difference of mess subscription).
Chief Motor Mechanic.	5/6	—	—	To receive special allowance of 3/- per diem.
Motor Mechanic -	2/6	—	—	Ditto ditto.
Motor Boatman -	2/6	—	—	Ditto ditto.
R.N.R. Trawler Section.				
Deckhands -	3/6	—	1/5	

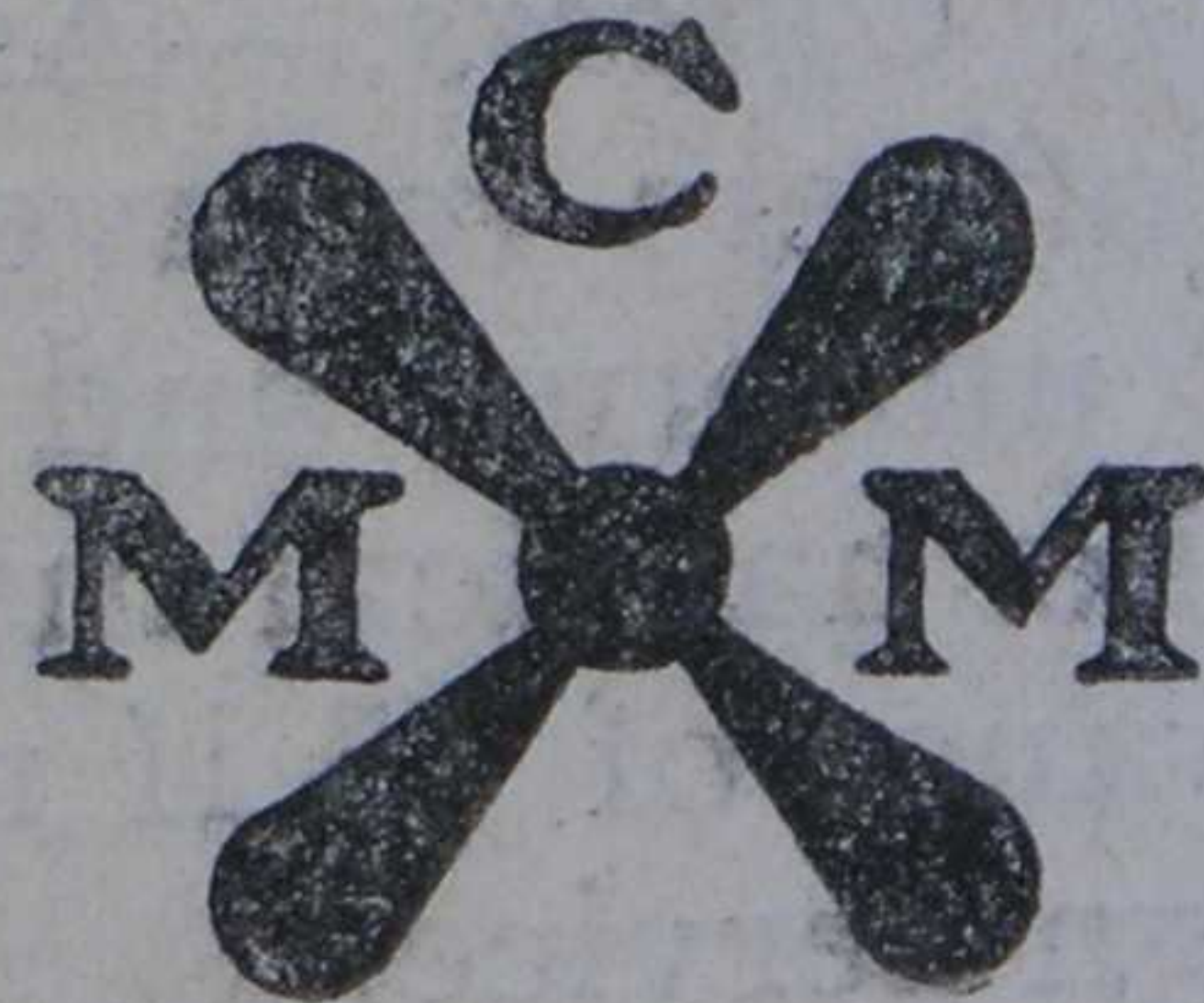
Naval ratings Temporarily employed will receive hard lying money at full rates for such periods as they live and sleep on board, and provision allowance of 1s. 5d. a day if not victualled.



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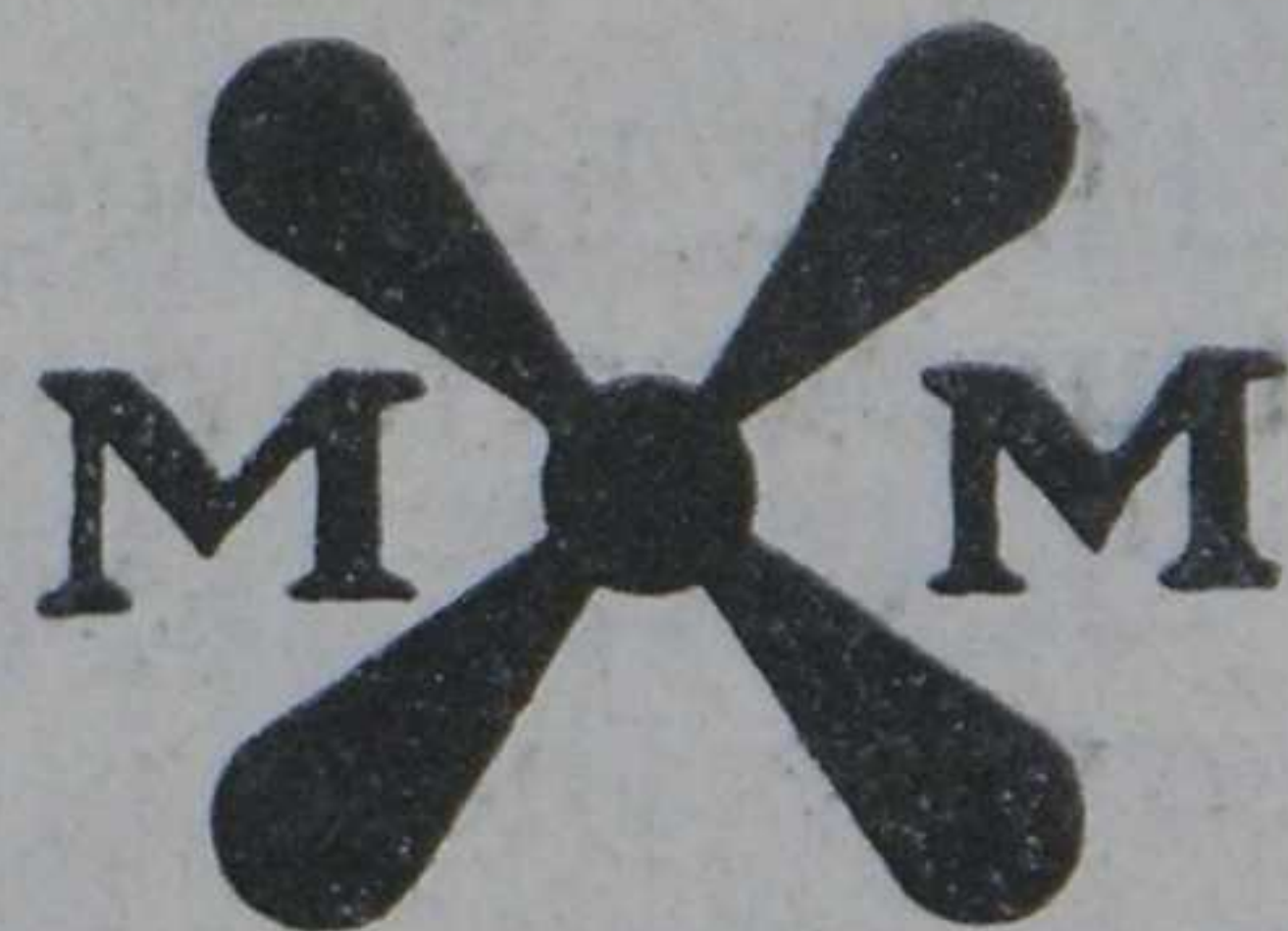
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