

1585.—Revised Structure of the R.M. S.D. List

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In order to improve the structure of the R.M. Special Duties List and at the same time continue to offer a fair promotion factor to all R.M. Special Duties Officers, certain changes in the arrangements for promotion on the List have been approved.

2. Promotion to all ranks will be selective and the number of promotions made will be entirely at the discretion of the Admiralty.

3. The method of calculating vacancies for promotion to Lieutenant (S.D.) outlined in Q.R. and A.I. Article 0581 (4) will no longer apply. Promotions to Lieutenant (S.D.) will, however, continue to be made from 2nd Lieutenants of 4–8 years' seniority.

4. Promotion to Captain (S.D.) will be by selection from Lieutenants (S.D.) and 2nd Lieutenants (S.D.) into vacancies, until the structure of the List has been adjusted sufficiently to enable all promotions to Captain (S.D.) to be made from Lieutenant rank, and a system of zoned promotion will then be introduced.

5. Instructions regarding the R.M. Band Service S.D. List will be issued separately.

6. Q.R. and A.I., Articles 0581 and 0582 will be amended in due course.

(Q.R. and A.I.)