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## Defence Council Instructions

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## 102/97 Introduction of title Master At Arms(W) and Regulating Petty Officer (W) (U)

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Reference: BR 1066 chapter 16 and Relative Rates Table.

1. The significant difference in title, and mode of address, used for the male and female senior ratings of the Regulating Specialisation is one of a number of anomalies remaining from the time prior to the integration of the WRNS into the RN.
2. This anomaly has now been addressed and it is concluded that the use of completely different titles for a specific rate is an anachronism, especially when selected sea going female Regulators are now being drafted to sea in the Master at Arms (MAA) billet.

3. After extensive discussions with both seagoing and shore employers it has been decided to abolish the title Chief Wren Regulator (CWrenReg) and introduce the title Master at Arms (Wren), abbreviated to MAA(W). The change will apply to all CWrenRegs, whether or not they are sea goers or Non Sea Volunteers (NSVs). The change will be effective from the date of this DCI.

4. For sake of completeness, the title RPOW has also been changed to reflect the new format and will read RPO(W).

5. BR 1066 will be amended to reflect these changes. The Relative Rates Table will read:

WOW(MAA)  
MAA(W)  
RPO(W)  
LWREG

6. A copy of this DCI should be retained within the covers of BR 1066 until incorporated at the next routine amendment.