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## Defence Council Instructions

# Royal Navy

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1. In order to meet statutory requirements for nurse education and training, a new three year course commenced in the Royal Navy in September 1989.
2. Student nurses who successfully complete the new training programme will register with the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting (UKCC) as a Registered Nurse (RN).
3. Trained nurses holding the Registered General Nurse (RGN) qualification, may not use the title RN, and RNs may not use the title RGN. They will, however, be employed interchangeably in their clinical duties.
4. In order to have one generic title for all QARNNS ratings, holding either the RGN qualification (Level 1 Registration) or RN qualification (Level 12 Registration) the following titles will apply from 1 Aug 92:

Full title	Abbreviated title
Probationary Student Naval Nurse	PSNN
Student Naval Nurse	SNN
Naval Nurse	NN
Leading Naval Nurse	LNN
Petty Officer Naval Nurse	PONN
Chief Petty Officer Naval Nurse	CPONN
Warrant Officer Naval Nurse	WONN

5. Branch and rate badges will remain unchanged.
6. There will be no change to the Enrolled Nurse (General) titles.
7. Commanding Officers are to ensure that Service documents are amended to show the new titles as from 1 Aug 92.



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8. A copy of this DCI is to be kept within the covers of BR 1066 until superseded by the next routine amendment.