

General

There is a requirement in the Royal Marines for swimmer canoeists in :-

Special Boat Sections
Commando Units
and in Special Boat Wing of Amphibious School RM.

2. There are three standards for this specialist qualification :

- (a) SC 1
Qualified to lead a special boat sub-section. Able to instruct in all aspects of special boat work and to supervise shallow water diving.
- (b) SC 2
Qualified as a Coxswain of a special boat. Experienced in all activities of a special boat section. Able to instruct in one particular aspect of their work.
- (c) SC 3
No. 2 of a special boat. Capable of operating as an individual member of a special boat section and of shallow water diving.

Courses

3. Qualifying courses are carried out at Amphibious School RM.

4. Details of courses are as follows :-

<u>Type of Course</u>	<u>Duration</u> (weeks)	<u>Qualification</u> <u>obtained</u>
SC 1	6	SC 1
SC 2	6	SC 2
SC 3	3	SC 3

NOTE : Ranks volunteering for the SC 3 Course must fulfil the following qualifications :-

- (a) Physical standard as laid down for divers in DR 1750:(50).
(b) Be able to swim 440 yards on the surface.
(c) Be able to swim 25 yards submerged.
(d) Be a volunteer for parachute jumping and shallow water diving.

Documentation

5. (a) PROM will keep a list of ranks with SC qualifications.
(b) Amphibious School RM is to arrange with RM Barracks, Eastney for Part II Orders in respect of ranks attaining SC qualifications.
(c) Results of courses will be recorded on Training and Employment Sheets.

Drafting

6. Swimmer Canoeists may be selected from volunteers of any rank and will serve an appointment of 2½ years to include qualification before returning to G). Selected men may return for a second tour.

(RMRO 417/50 is cancelled)

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