

215. MTI - CHANGE OF TITLE, QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED AND NEW
TYPES OF INSTRUCTOR.

Issued separately as appendix and annexures.

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DRILL, HEAVY WEAPONS AND PLATOON WEAPONS TRAINING INSTRUCTORS.

Appointments of MTIs and Acting MTIs to the new rates are at Annexure 'B' to this appendix.

2. In making these appointments, it has been necessary, in some cases, to over-rule the NCOs choice in order to maintain the numbers required in each branch. In such cases, and in the case of NCOs who have opted for a branch for which they are not fully qualified, adjustment will be made at a later date, as the requirements of the service permit. Requests to transfer from one type of appointment to another will be sent to this office on the last day of each quarter, starting with the quarter ending 30th June, 1947, until further orders.

3. The qualifications for the three types of instructor will be as follows :-

Drill Instructor

- (a) Qualifying Course at Depot RM Deal - 12 weeks.
- (b) Short Platoon Weapons Course at SA School RM - 7 weeks.

Heavy Weapons Training Instructor

- (a) Preliminary attachment to Infantry School RM for elementary instruction in 3in Mortar, MMG and Flamethrower - 5 weeks.
- (b) Courses at School of Infantry (Heavy Weapons Wing), Netheravon:-
 - (i) 3in Mortar - 9 weeks.
 - (ii) MMG - 9 weeks.
- (c) Rear Rank Instructors Course at Depot RM Deal - 5 weeks.

Platoon Weapons Training Instructor

- (a) Long Platoon Weapons Course at SA School RM - 18 weeks.
- (b) Rear Rank Instructors Course at Depot RM Deal - 5 weeks.

4. Ranks who hold the old type of non-substantive or acting non-substantive rate must pass the appropriate courses as shown in Annexure 'A' to this Appendix. Depending on what type of instructors these ranks elect to become, they will be known as Acting Drill, etc. Instructors until they have passed the appropriate courses. Such NCOs will be selected for courses to complete their qualifications for the new rates as soon as they can be spared.

5. NCOs and Marines who qualify as Instructors under this order will be exempt from passing the Senior and Junior NCO Promotion Courses. They will, however, be required to obtain the necessary educational qualification for their rank, before substantive promotion, when re-introduced.

6. The Short Titles for these Instructors will be :-

- (a) Drill Instructor - - - - - DI
- (b) Platoon Weapons Training Instructor - FWI
- (c) Heavy Weapons Training Instructor - HWI
- (d) Acting Drill (etc.) Instructor - - A/DI (etc.)

7. The name of any rank other than QMSI and A/QMSI, not included in Annexure 'B' to this Appendix, who is holding an instructional appointment as an MTI 1st, 2nd or acting 2nd class, will be reported to this office forthwith. Reports will include the unit in which the man is at present serving, the man's old non-sub or acting non-sub rate, and the new type of instructor for which he is recommended.