

LANDING CRAFT TRAINING - INTRODUCTION OF SPECIALIST QUALIFICATION
OF IC

It has been decided that the terms LH and LD should be dispensed with and that ranks employed in landing craft in future should carry out both seamanship and engine training. The specialist qualification for this will be IC.

2. The following information is promulgated as the result of this decision :-

- (a) Ranks at present holding the specialist qualification of LH 3 and LD 3 (who are not drivers) will be required to undergo conversion courses at Amphibious School RM for the appropriate IC rate as arranged by DOPAR. The dates of the conversion courses will be published in RMROs.

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- (b) Special instructions regarding the future training of ranks holding ID specialist qualifications who are drivers will be issued shortly. The system of training of ranks qualifying initially as IC 3 will also be promulgated.
- (c) LH 2 and LD 2 courses for 1953/54 will be extended so as to include both seamanship and ongoing training.
- (d) LH 1 and LH 2 conversion courses will not take place before 1st April, 1954.

3. The introduction of the specialist qualification of IC will, in due course, apply to RMFVR ranks.

4. The amendments required to RMRO 60/53 resulting from paragraph 2 (a) above are as follows:-

INSERT new serials :-

"Serial No (a)	Type of Course (c)	Length (weeks) (o)	Course No (f)	Commences (g)	Ends (h)	Maximum Vacancies (i)
122B	LH3 Conversion	4	1	14 Sep 53	10 Oct 53	10
122C			2	23 Nov 53	19 Dec 53	10"

5. RMRO 322/53 is cancelled.

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