

ROYAL MARINE RANKS QUALIFYING FOR PART II GUNNERY
SPECIALIST QUALIFICATIONS.

The attention of all ranks is to be drawn to the conditions of Specialist Qualifications in Gunnery. It should be noted that, with the exception of Gunnery Instructors, ranks may qualify at any of the three Naval Gunnery Schools, i.e. Portsmouth, Chatham and Devonport. When application is made for a course, ranks are to state the school they wish to attend, and every effort will be made to meet this request.

2. Gunnery Instructors will normally qualify in HMS Excellent, but when the numbers are large, as for 1949, some candidates for Gunnery Instructor may undergo the qualifying course at Chatham and Devonport Gunnery Schools. After qualification as a Gunnery Instructor ranks will always be employed at the Royal Marine Gunnery School when carrying out Instructors' duties and not serving at sea. Gunnery Instructors may, therefore, make arrangements to set up their homes in the Portsmouth Area, with reasonable assurance that they will spend a large portion of their service life in that area.

3. It is pointed out to candidates for Gunnery Instructor that, having qualified, they will receive 1/- a day instructors' pay until promoted Colour Sergeant. On promotion to Colour Sergeant, when being employed on instructional duties within the establishment of the Royal Marine Gunnery School, they will receive an instructional allowance of 6d a day.

4. Volunteers are urgently required for the following gunnery qualifications :-

- (a) Sergeants and Corporals with 2nd Class, or higher gunnery qualifications for Gunnery Instructor.
- (b) Sergeants and Corporals with 2nd or 3rd Class Gunnery qualifications for AA 1 and QR 1.
- (c) Corporals and Marines with 3rd Class Gunnery qualifications for AA 2, LR 2, QR 2 and QA 2.
- (d) Marines for LR 3, AA 3 and QA 3.