

Children of	If the mother is living	Motherless children
Commissioned Officers (Branch List) and equivalent ranks in the Royal Marines a. in respect of the first or only child ...	£130 16s. a year	(a) where the child is under 15 years of age—£136 16s. a year. (b) where the child is 15 years of age or over—£189 16s. a year.
b. in respect of each other child (1) where the child qualifies for a family allowance under the Family Allowances Act 1965 or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act.	£112 12s. a year	(a) where the child is under 15 years of age—£118 12s. a year. (b) where the child is 15 years of age or over—£171 12s. a year.
(2) where the child does not so qualify	£123 a year	(a) where the child is under 15 years of age—£136 16s. a year. (b) where the child is 15 years of age or over—£189 16s. a year.
Ratings and Marines a. in respect of the first or only child ...	49s. 6d. a week	(a) where the child is under 15 years of age—49s. 6d. a week. (b) where the child is 15 years of age or over—72s. 6d. a week.
b. in respect of each other child (1) where the child qualifies for a family allowance under the Family Allowances Act 1965 or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act.	42s. 6d. a week	(a) where the child is under 15 years of age—42s. 6d. a week. (b) where the child is 15 years of age or over—65s. 6d. a week.
(2) where the child does not so qualify	46s. 6d. a week	(a) where the child is under 15 years of age—49s. 6d. a week. (b) where the child is 15 years of age or over—72s. 6d. a week.

6. Allowances for eligible illegitimate children may be granted at the discretion of the Defence Council at rates not exceeding those shown in clause 5.

7. An allowance may be made in respect of a motherless child who, having attained the age of 18 is incapable of self-support by reason of infirmity which arose before the normal age limit for pension purposes, at the rate of £234 a year in the case of an officer's child or 90s. a week for the child of a rating or marine.

#### 8. Education Allowance

In addition to an allowance under Clauses 5, 6 or 7 an allowance not exceeding £120 a year may be granted for the purpose of the child's education, provided

- the child has reached the age of 5 years
- the circumstances of the family are such as to require it, and
- in the opinion of the Defence Council the type of education which the child is receiving or is to receive is suitable for the child.

#### 9. Parents

a. If the death of an officer, seaman or marine is accepted as attributable to Service, his parent or parents may be granted an allowance subject to such conditions as the Defence Council may determine, provided that:

- he did not leave a widow or eligible child and
- that the parent or parents are in pecuniary need by reason of having reached the age of not less than 65 years in the case of a man, or 60 years in the case of a woman, or infirmity or other adverse condition which is not merely of a temporary character. In determining whether an award shall be made, account will be taken of the extent to which the serviceman was supporting his parents at the time of his death and the extent to which, if he had not died he would have been likely, in the opinion of the Defence Council to support them.

b. The rate of allowance shall be at the discretion of the Defence Council but shall not exceed

*In the case of officers the greater of either*

(1) the ordinary rate of widow's pension under the Regulations in force on 25th September 1949 or

(2) (a) Where there are two parents, £100 a year for Commissioned Officers (including Senior Commissioned Officers (Branch List)) or £85 a year for Commissioned Officers (Branch List) other than Senior Commissioned Officers, or (b), in single parent cases, the maximum rates are £75 and £60 a year.

Provided that, in exceptional cases, the rate of the pension may be increased in excess of the rates given in sub-paragraph b(2) above by a sum not exceeding £20 a year.

*In the case of ratings and marines* the rate shall not exceed 27s. 6d. a week where there are two parents and 20s. a week in single parent cases.

Provided that, in exceptional cases, this rate may be increased by a sum not exceeding 12s. 6d. a week where there are two parents and 7s. 6d. a week in single parent cases.

c. A grant shall not be transferable but, if an award has been made to the two parents, payment of the pension may be continued to the survivor at such rate as the Defence Council may determine.

d. A grant shall cease on the remarriage of the grantee.

## SECTION II

### CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD

#### 10. Pension cannot be claimed as a right

a. A pension cannot be claimed as a right and will not be granted or continued when the applicant is shown to be living with a man as his wife, nor will it be granted if the service of the officer, rating or marine has not been such as in the opinion of the Defence Council to justify the award.

b. If the death of an officer, rating or marine, or the wound, injury or disease which resulted in his death was due wholly or in part to his own negligence or misconduct or to any cause within his own control, any grant