

allowances and the service portion of disability retired pay.

- (b) Service retired pay, service invaliding retired pay, service attributable retired pay and the service portion of disability retired pay of officers of the Women's Royal Naval Service and of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service and Nursing Service Reserve and of the Naval Nursing Auxiliary Section.
- (c) Men's and women's service pension, service invaliding pension and service attributable pension including elements for rank and age and additions for war service.
- (d) Pensions payable under Order in Council of 23rd May 1952 and previous Orders relating to Riggers and Yardcraft personnel.
- (e) Pensions payable under Order in Council of 20th November 1959 and previous Orders relating to European and Indian members of the Hong Kong Dockyard Police.
- (f) Pensions payable under Order in Council of 20th November 1959 and previous Orders relating to European and Indian (or otherwise Asian) members of the Singapore Dockyard Police.
- (g) Pensions payable under Order in Council of 23rd May 1952 and previous Orders relating to certain Shipwrights.
- (h) Family pensions including Attributable Forces Family Pensions.
- (i) Pensions for distinguished conduct. (Additions to pensions in respect of gallantry awards shall for the purposes of this Order be regarded as forming parts of the pensions to which they are attached).
- (j) Meritorious service annuities payable to Royal Marines when the recipient is also receiving another pension increasable under this Schedule.
- (k) Retired Officers' Naval pensions and good service pensions.
- (l) Any award increased or increasable under Orders in Council of 13th August 1920 or 8th December 1924.
- (m) Pensions payable under Order in Council of 27th February 1961 and previous Orders relating to Officers of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary Service.
- (n) Service retired pay of Officers of the former Royal Indian Navy.
- (o) *Ex-gratia* Payments to officers, R.N. ratings and R.M. other ranks invalidated since 1st August 1969 as a direct result of terrorist activity in Northern Ireland and to widows and children of those killed since 1st August 1969, as a direct result of terrorist activity in Northern Ireland.

2. A pension to which this Schedule relates may be increased provided either that:

- (a) the pensioner has attained the age of 55 years or, where the pension is a widow's pension, 40 years; or
- (b) the pensioner, if receiving a pension as a child of a deceased Officer, rating or other rank, has not attained the age of 16 years or, having attained that age, is receiving full time instruction in an educational establishment or is undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation in circumstances that require him to devote the whole of his time to that training for a period of not less than two years; or
- (c) the pensioner was invalidated from naval service other than re-employed service; or
- (d) the pensioner is a woman with at least one dependant as defined in paragraph 6 hereafter; or
- (e) the pensioner is permanently incapacitated by physical or mental infirmity from engaging in regular full-time employment.

3. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 hereafter the increase shall comprise the appropriate percentage as set out in paragraph 5 hereafter of the retired pay or pension being paid to the pensioner at the time when the increase becomes payable, including any pension increases awarded or for which he may become eligible under former Pensions Increase Orders in Council.

4.—(a) In implementing the provisions of paragraph 3 hereof, a fraction of a pound in an annual rate of pension shall be treated as a whole pound and up to 31st March 1969, a fraction of a sixpence in a weekly rate of pension shall be treated as a whole sixpence. From 1st April 1969, this increase shall be calculated on the actual pension in payment. The increases shall be added to the actual pension in payment.

(b) Where commutation is effected on or after 1st July 1973, the amount commuted shall be included, as if it were still part of the pension in assessing the increase admissible.

5. The appropriate percentage increase shall be as follows:

- (a) 9.3 per cent. for awards assessed in accordance with regulations which were in force before 1st August 1972 from the effective date of subsequent regulations or from 1st December 1973 whichever is the later.
- (b) 9.3 per cent. for family pensions awarded at minimum rates to widows and children of Officers, ratings and other ranks who did not serve after 31st March 1973.
- (c) 9.3 per cent. for *ex-gratia* payments to personnel invalidated since 1st August 1969 as a direct result of terrorist activity in Northern Ireland.
- (d) 9.3 per cent. for *ex-gratia* payments to widows and children of those killed since 1st August 1969 as a direct result of terrorist activity in Northern Ireland.
- (e) 6.0 per cent. for awards assessed in accordance with regulations introduced with effect from 1st April 1973, from the effective date of subsequent regulations or from 1st December 1973 whichever is the later, plus such amount, if any, as may be needed to bring the annual rate of pension plus increase so calculated to within plus or minus £5 of the annual amount of pension as increased by appropriate pension increase measures which would have been payable under the terms and conditions of regulations effective from 1st April 1972 assuming the same reason for retirement or discharge, the same rank and the same length of service. In comparing the awards assessed under the regulations effective from 1st April 1972 and those effective from 1st April 1973 in cases where commutation has been effected the following assumptions will be made with regard to the notional assessment under the 1st April 1972 regulations:
  - (i) the amount of retired pay or pension deemed to have been commuted will be the amount actually commuted by the pensioner;
  - (ii) the assumed effective date of the commutation will be the actual date on which commutation was effected.

(f) For family pensions, other than those derived from a pension assessed under regulations effective from 1st April 1973, the percentage which would have been awarded to the Officer, rating or other rank from whose service the pension is derived had the Officer, rating or other rank been alive on 1st December 1973 and eligible for pensions increase, whether or not the husband qualified for these increases by virtue of age or health, provided that where it would be more favourable a family pension may be increased instead by the amount by which the pension falls short of a family pension awarded at the minimum rates in sub-paragraph (b) above.

(g) For family pensions derived from a pension assessed under regulations effective from 1st April 1973, 6.0 per cent. plus such amount, if any, as may be needed to bring the annual rate of pension plus increase so calculated to within plus or minus £5 of the annual amount of pension as increased by former pensions increase measures which would have been payable if the pension had been derived from a pension assessed under regulations effective from 1st April 1972 and assessed under the family pensions regulations in force during the currency of the 1972 family pension regulations under Order in Council (6\*/NPP) of 29th March 1973.

(h) In the case of family pensions awarded to widows of Admirals of the Fleet 9.3 per cent. for those pensions based on rates of half pay introduced before 1st April 1973 and 6.0 per cent. for pensions based on the rate of half pay introduced from 1st April 1973. In the latter case the widow's pension will be increased from 1st December 1973 or from the effective date of any new rate of half pay for Admirals of the Fleet, whichever is the later.

6. The expression "dependant" for the purpose of sub-paragraph 2 (d) means a person wholly or mainly supported by the pensioner and who either:

- (a) has not attained the age of 16 years or who, having attained that age, is receiving full time instruction at an educational establishment or undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation in such circumstances that he is required to devote the whole of his time to that training for a period of not less than two years; or
- (b) immediately before 1st April 1969, qualified the pensioner under former Pensions Increase Orders in