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- (b) The special conditions governing the grant of these family allowances shall be as follows:
  - (1) For a wife—if she is living apart from her husband, family element shall not be allowable in respect of her unless—
    - (a) she was being regularly maintained in whole or in part by her husband up to the date of any award or renewal of his disablement pension; and/or
    - (b) she is entitled to support under a separation or maintenance order; or
    - (c) the separation was caused by the husband's mental instability due to the disability in respect of which he is granted his disablement pension.
  - (2) "Child" in relation to a member of the Maltese Naval Forces, means-
    - (a) a legitimate child of the member;
    - (b) a legitimated child of the member;
    - (c) an illegitimate child of the member, who did not become legitimated upon the marriage of the member to the child's mother;
    - (d) an illegitimate child of the member to whom sub-paragraphs (c) and (g) of this paragraph do not apply, who was born before or within nine months after the date on which the member sustained the wound or injury, or the date on which he was removed from duty on account of the disease in respect of which his disablement pension is granted; and who has been regularly maintained in whole or in part by the member up to the date of any award or renewal of his disablement pension, or is subject to an affiliation order in force against the member;
    - (e) a step-child of the member who is being regularly maintained in whole or part by him;
    - (f) a legally adopted child of the member;
    - (g) a foster child, that is to say a child who:
    - (i) was being brought up and wholly or mainly maintained by the member on the date on which he sustained the wound or injury, or was removed from duty on account of the disease, in respect of which his disablement pension was granted, and
    - (ii) had been brought up and wholly or mainly maintained by the member for not less than six months (or such less period as the Ministry of Defence may determine in the exceptional circumstances of any case) prior to the date on which the member's service terminated, and
      - (iii) has been so maintained by the member up to the date of any award or renewal of his disablement pension.
- (c) The expressions "removed from duty" or "removal from duty" shall be interpreted with reference to the date of the first removal from duty on account of the disease upon which the claim in respect of disablement is based, provided that if, as the result of service subsequent to the date of receipt of the wound or injury or of removal from duty, not being service before the 1st April 1972, the member suffered material aggravation of his disability, the date of removal from duty shall be that of the later removal on account of the disability: or, if there was no such removal, the date of termination of full pay service of the member.
- (d) Family addition to disablement pension in respect of a child shall normally terminate when the child attains the age of 16 years but, subject to the production of satisfactory evidence the allowance may be made or continued in respect of a child who has attained the child's age limit when that child—
  - (1) is a student, receiving full-time instruction at a university, college, secondary school, technical school or any other establishment, which, in the opinion of the Ministry of Defence, is a comparable educational establishment; or
    - (2) is an apprentice receiving not more than nominal wages; or
    - (3) is incapable of self-support by reason of an infirmity which arose before he or she attained the child's age limit.
- (e) Family additions to disablement pension in respect of an individual may be withheld if in the opinion of the Ministry of Defence the circumstances are not such as to justify a grant.
- (f) Where an individual in respect of whom family addition to disablement pension is admissible is not residing with the member, the addition may, at the discretion of the Ministry of Defence, be granted independently, for the benefit of that individual, to some person other than the member.

## 4. Education Allowances

A member of the Maltese Naval Forces who is in receipt of a pension under Clause 1 of this Schedule may be awarded an allowance in respect of a child (including a child to whom Clause 9(c)(4) of this Schedule applies) for the purpose of the education of that child if—

- (a) the child has attained the age of 5 years; and
- (b) the circumstances of the family are such as to require it; and
- (c) the Ministry of Defence is satisfied that the type of education which the child is receiving, or is to receive, is suitable for the child.

The amount of any allowance under this Clause shall be determined by the Ministry of Defence but the total payments made in respect of any period of twelve months shall not exceed £80 in respect of any one child.

## 5. Allowance for Constant Attendance

Where a member of the Maltese Naval Forces is in receipt of a pension under Clause 1 of this Schedule in respect of disablement the degree of which is not less than 80 per cent., and it is shown to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Defence that constant attendance on the member is necessary on account of the disablement, he may be awarded an allowance at a rate not exceeding £7.52 per week.

Provided that in an exceptional case of very severe disablement the allowance may, subject to such conditions, as the Ministry of Defence may determine, be increased to a rate not exceeding £15.05 per week.