

of Land Forces, Secretaries of Admirals or of Commodores, with Captains under them, Boat-swains, Gunners, Purser, Carpenter, Master's Mates, Chirurgion, Pilot, and Chaplain on board; shall have One Eighth Part, to be equally divided amongst them:

The Midshipmen, Captain's Clerk, Master Sail-maker, Carpenter's Mates, Boatswain's Mates, Gunner's Mates, Master at Arms, Corporals, Yeomen of the Sheets, Cockswain, Quarter-Masters, Quarter-Masters Mates, Chirurgion's Mates, Yeomen of the Powder-Room, Serjeants of Marines, and Land Forces on board, shall have One Eighth Part, to be equally divided amongst them:

The Trumpeters, Quarter-Gunners, Carpenter's Crew, Steward's Cook; Armourer, Steward's Mate, Cook's Mate; Gunsmith, Cooper, Swabber, Ordinary Trumpeter, Barber, Able Seamen, Ordinary Seamen, and Marines and other Soldiers, and all other Persons doing Duty and assisting on board, shall have Two Eighth Parts, to be equally divided amongst them.

Provided, That if any Officer being on board any of Our Ships of War at the Time of taking any Prize, shall have more Commissions or Offices than One, such Officer shall be entitled only to the Share or Shares of the Prizes which, according to the abovementioned Distribution, shall belong to his Superior Commission or Office. And We do hereby strictly enjoin all Commanders of our Ships and Vessels of War taking any Prize, as soon as may be, to transmit, or cause to be transmitted to the Commissioners of Our Navy, a true List of the Names of all the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others, who were actually on board Our Ships and Vessels of War under their Command at the Time of the Capture; which List shall contain the Quality of the Service of each Person on board, and be subscribed by the Captain or Commanding Officer, and Three or more of the Chief Officers on board. And We do hereby require and direct the Commissioners of Our Navy, or any Three or more of them, to examine, or cause to be examined, such Lists by the Muster Books of such Ships and Vessels of War, and Lists annexed thereto, to see that such Lists do agree with the said Muster Books and annexed Lists, as to the Names, Qualities, or Ratings of the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others belonging to such Ships and Vessels of War, and upon Request forthwith to grant a Certificate of the Truth of any List transmitted to them, to the Agents nominated and appointed by the Captors to take Care and dispose of such Prize; and also upon Application to them (the said Commissioners) they shall give, or cause to be given to the said Agents, all such Lists from the Muster Books of any such Ships of War, and annexed Lists, as the said Agents shall find requisite for their Direction in paying the Produce of such Prizes, and otherwise shall be aiding and assisting to the said Agents in all such Matters as shall be necessary. We do hereby further will and direct, that the following Regulations shall be observed concerning the One Eighth Part hereinbefore-mentioned to be granted to the Flag or Flag Officers who shall actually be on board at the taking of any Prize, or shall be directing or assisting therein: First,

That a Flag Officer, Commander in Chief, when there is but One Flag Officer upon Service, shall have to his own Use the said One Eighth Part of the Prizes taken by Ships and Vessels under his Command: Secondly, That a Flag Officer sent to command at Jamaica, or elsewhere, shall have no Right to any Share of Prizes taken by Ships or Vessels employed there, before he arrives at the Place to which he is sent, and actually takes upon him the Command: Thirdly, That when an inferior Flag Officer is sent out to reinforce a superior Flag Officer at Jamaica, or elsewhere, the superior Flag Officer shall have no Right to any Share of Prizes taken by the inferior Flag Officer before the inferior Flag Officer shall arrive within the Limits of the Command of the superior Flag Officer, and actually receive some Order from him: Fourthly, That a Chief Flag Officer returning Home from Jamaica, or elsewhere, shall have no Share of the Prizes taken by the Ships or Vessels left behind to act under another Command: Fifthly, That if a Flag Officer is sent to command in the Out-Ports of this Kingdom, he shall have no Share of the Prizes taken by Ships or Vessels, which have sailed from that Port by Order of the Admiralty: Sixthly, That when more Flag Officers than One serve together, the Eighth Part of the Prizes taken by any Ships or Vessels of the Fleet or Squadron, shall be divided in the following Proportions; viz. if there be but Two Flag Officers, the Chief shall have Two Third Parts of the said One Eighth Part, and the other shall have the remaining Third Part; but if the Number of Flag Officers be more than Two, the Chief shall have only One Half, and the other Half shall be equally divided amongst the other Flag Officers: Seventhly, That Commodores with Captains under them shall be esteemed as Flag Officers with respect to the Eighth Part of Prizes taken, whether commanding in Chief or serving under Command: Eighthly, That the First Captain to the Admiral and Commander in Chief of Our Fleet, and also the First Captain to Our Flag Officer appointed, or hereafter to be appointed, to command a Fleet or Squadron of Twenty Ships of the Line of Battle, and also the First Captain to Our Flag Officer appointed, or hereafter to be appointed, to command a Fleet or Squadron of Fifteen Ships of the Line of Battle, (provided such last mentioned Fleet or Squadron shall be composed of His Majesty's own Ships,) shall be deemed and taken to be a Flag Officer, and shall be entitled to a Part or Share of Prizes, as the junior Flag Officer of such Fleet or Squadron: and We do hereby further order, That in the case of Cutters, Schooners, and other Armed Vessels commanded by Lieutenants, the Share of such Lieutenants shall be Three Eighth Parts of the Prize, unless such Lieutenants shall be under the Command of a Flag Officer or Officers; in which Case the Flag Officer or Officers shall have One of the said Three Eighths, to be divided among such Flag Officer or Officers, in the Manner hereinbefore directed in the Case of Captains serving under Flag Officers: Secondly, We direct that the Share of the Master or other Person acting as Second in Command, and the Pilot, (if there happens to be One on board,) shall be One Eighth Part, to be divided into Three equal Parts; of which Two Thirds shall go to the