

- (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.

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 invalided from naval service other than re-employed service; or
- (d) the pensioner is a woman with at least one dependant as defined in paragraph 7 hereafter; or
- (e) the pensioner is permanently incapacitated by physical or mental infirmity from engaging in regular full-time employment.

3. Where, under former Pensions Increase Orders in Council, an increase is not admissible unless the pensioner has reached the age of 60 years this age shall be reduced to 55 years with effect from 1st December 1972.

4. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 5 hereof the increase shall comprise the appropriate percentage as set out in paragraph 6 hereof 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.

5. (a) In implementing the provision of paragraph 4 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 December 1972, the amount commuted shall be included, as if it were still part of the pension, in assessing the increase admissible.

6. The appropriate percentage increase shall be as follows:

- (a) 9.9 per cent. for awards assessed in accordance with regulations which were in force before 1st August 1971 from the effective date of subsequent regulations or from 1st December 1972 whichever is the later;
- (b) 9.9 per cent. for family pensions awarded at the minimum rates laid down in Order in Council of 4th February 1972 (No. 45\*/NP);
- (c) 10.8 per cent. for awards assessed in accordance with regulations which were introduced from 1st August 1971;
- (d) 5.5 per cent. for awards assessed in accordance with regulations introduced from 1st January 1972;
- (e) 4.7 per cent. for awards assessed in accordance with regulations introduced on 1st April 1972, from the effective date of subsequent regulations or from 1st December 1972 whichever is the later

(f) for family pensions 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 1972 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 (c) above;

(g) in the case of family pensions awarded to widows of Admirals of the Fleet 9.9 per cent. for those pensions based on rates of half pay introduced from 1st January 1972. In the latter case the widow's pension will be increased from 1st December 1972 or from the effective date of any new rate of half pay for Admirals of the Fleet whichever is the later.

7. 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 Council for an increase of pension which would otherwise have been inadmissible.

8. The increase to be awarded to officers who served in certain salaried appointments for which provision is made in Orders in Council dated 13th December 1921 (No. 207\*/CE), 26th May 1925 (No. 114A/CE) and 23rd July 1931 (No. 96/CE) and subsequent amending Orders in Council and whose retired pay includes an addition in respect of service in the salaried appointment, shall be the difference between the award of retired pay, including pension increases, in payment prior to 1st December 1972 and the sum of:

- (a) the service retired pay earned by service on the active list increased in accordance with the general conditions by pensions increases, including the increases provided for in this Schedule, applicable to the retired pay code under which this element of retired pay was awarded; plus
- (b) the additional retired pay earned by service in the salaried appointment increased in accordance with the general conditions of the Pensions (Increase) Act 1971 as amended by the Superannuation Act 1972 applicable to a civil pension commencing on the date of final retirement.

9. The pensions specified in sub-paragraphs 1 (d), (e), (f), (g) and (m) of this Schedule may be increased only by the extent to which a corresponding award under the Superannuation Acts and/or the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme 1972 would have been increasable under the Pensions (Increase) Act 1971, as amended by the Superannuation Act 1972.

10. Any general conditions attaching to the grant or continuance of a pension shall apply also to the grant or continuance of any increase to that pension.

11. References to former Pensions Increase Orders in Council are to all or any of Orders in Council of 13th August 1920 (No. 124/AG), 8th December 1924 (No. 87/AG), 25th June 1925 (No. 117/AG), 1st February 1926 (No. 159/AG), 28th September 1944 (No. 57/PM), 24th January 1945 (S.R. & O. 1945 No. 80), 20th March 1946 (No. 95/PM), 2nd April 1947 (No. 109/PM), 4th September 1952 (No. 73/PM), 3rd June 1954 (No. 19/NP), 9th October 1956 (No. 39/NP), 14th September 1959 (No. 33\*/NP), 17th January 1963 (No. 1\*/NP), 31st January 1966 (No. 14\*/NPP), 25th February 1970 (No. 21\*/NPP), and 16th February 1973 (No. 5\*/NPP).

12. The expression "person" in this Schedule includes any award increasable under its provisions, or under the provisions of former Pensions Increase Orders in Council.