

29. Where an Officer, including a short service officer, RN rating or RM other rank dies while serving on full pay on the Active List, his widow may be granted a gratuity equal to the terminal grant or gratuity for which the husband would have been eligible had he been invalided on the day of his death; or if this is greater, a gratuity equal to twice the rate of retired pay or pension of her husband's rank for invaliding purposes appropriate to 34 years of service for an Officer, or 37 years of service for a RN rating or RM other rank.

30. Where an Officer, RN rating or RM other rank who on or after 31st March 1976 has retired with retired pay or been discharged to pension or has been invalided with invaliding retired pay or pension or with invaliding gratuity dies within one year of retirement or discharge his widow may be awarded a gratuity equal to the difference between the gratuity which would have been payable if he had died in service on the day of retirement or discharge and the amount of terminal grant or gratuity and any sum raised by commutation which he received.

31. Where, had the Officer or RN rating or RM other rank been invalided, an adjustment would have been made to his award in respect of a gratuity or other non-effective payment previously received by him, an abatement may be made on that account in assessing the gratuity payable under Clauses 29 or 30.

32. Where the Officer or RN rating or RM other rank did not leave a widow eligible for an award under this Section but a child or children (as defined in Clause 12 and fulfilling the conditions of that Clause), the Secretary of State for Defence may award a gratuity to the child or children. The total award shall equal that which would have been payable to a widow eligible for an award under this section and shall be apportioned among them at the discretion of the Secretary of State for Defence.

33. Where the Officer or RN rating or RM other rank leaves a widow and in addition a child or children (as defined in Clause 12 and fulfilling the conditions of that Clause) who are not living with or supported by her, the Secretary of State for Defence may divert part of the gratuity which would normally be payable to the widow for the benefit of all or any such children.

34. Where a member of the Women's Services dies in circumstances in which the child of a male member would have been granted a gratuity under Clause 32 and leaves an eligible child or children (as defined in Clause 12) the Secretary of State for Defence may award a gratuity for the benefit of the child or children of such amount as he may determine.

35. Gratuities in respect of children may be issued to the widow or mother of the child or other person responsible for the child's maintenance or to the child direct as may be decided. The gratuity may where appropriate be issued in instalments or withheld for later payment.

36. Where an Officer, RN rating or RM other rank (including a member of the Women's Services) dies in service and neither an eligible widow nor motherless child nor children are left, a sum equal to the gratuity otherwise payable under Clause 29 to the widow may be payable to the estate of the deceased.

37. Gratuities payable under Clause 36 may be abated in respect of any public or service debt.

38. Any outstanding balance due from an Officer, RN rating or RM other rank who has elected to purchase an enhanced pension entitlement for his widow in respect of his service before 1st April 1973 may be deducted from any gratuity payable under the provisions of Clause 29.

39. No abatement of a gratuity payable by virtue of this section other than that provided by Clauses 31, 37 and 38 shall be made in respect of any public or service debt due from the deceased Officer or RN rating or RM other rank.

#### SECTION V

##### Short Term Family Pension

40. Where an Officer, RN rating or RM other rank who has given service on or after 1st April 1973 dies either in service, or in retirement with retired pay and pension, the widow, provided she is otherwise eligible, may be paid, for a period of 91 days, a short term family pension equal to the rate of her husband's pay or half pay on the day he died, excluding additional pay and allowances, or the actual rate of her husband's retired pay or pension in issue at the time of his death. This short term pension may be increased if it is less than the normal family pension.

41. When an Officer, including a short service Officer, RN rating or RM other rank dies in service with less than five years' service from the age of 18 years, a short term pension equal to the husband's rate of pay on the day he died, excluding additional pay and allowances, may be paid for the following periods:

Widow with no dependent children ... ..	91 days
Widow with one dependent child ... ..	137 days
Widow with two or more dependent children ... ..	182 days
A motherless child or child of a non-eligible widow ... ..	61 days
Two or more motherless children ... ..	122 days

42. Where eligible children are living in separate households the short term pension payable under Clauses 40 and 41 may be allocated at the discretion of the Secretary of State for Defence.

#### SECTION VI

##### Benefits for the dependants of those whose deaths are attributable to service

##### Attributable Family Pensions

43. Where an Officer, RN rating or RM other rank dies in service from causes accepted by the Department of Health and Social Security as being attributable to or aggravated by his service, or dies in retirement from causes wholly or mainly due to the injury or disease which resulted in his being invalided attributably, the widow may be eligible for an attributable family pension at the rates shown below.

Rank of Husband	Widow	Each dependent child (maximum 4)	Each dependent motherless child or child of a non-eligible widow (maximum 4)
			£ per annum
Admiral of the Fleet ... ..	10,147	2,300	4,600
Admiral/General RM ... ..	8,963	2,037	4,074
Vice-Admiral/Lieutenant-General RM ... ..	6,344	1,455	2,910
Rear-Admiral/Major-General RM ... ..	5,035	1,164	2,328
Chaplain of the Fleet ... ..	4,380	1,019	2,037
Captain RN with 6 or more years' service/Colonel RM ... ..	4,162	970	1,940
Captain RN with less than 6 years' service/Lieutenant-Colonel RM ... ..	3,739	876	1,752
Principal Chaplain ... ..	3,629	852	1,703
Chaplain with 20 or more years' service ... ..	3,518	827	1,654