

(e) An additional allowance may be awarded in respect of an eligible dependant at the rate and subject to the conditions which would be appropriate under Clause 3 if that dependant were an eligible member of the family and the degree of the member's disablement were 100 per cent.;

Provided that:

(1) where that eligible dependant is a wife (whether married to the member before or after the material date) the rate of the additional allowance in respect of that person may be increased by the rate of:

<i>Officers (per year)</i>	<i>Ratings (per week)</i>
£474.50	£9.10

as the Ministry of Defence may think fit having regard to the financial circumstances of that person;

(2) the rate of the allowance awarded under the foregoing provisions of sub-clause (d) in respect of the child or children of an officer may be increased by:

<i>Only child or elder or eldest of the children (per year)</i>	<i>Each other child (per year)</i>
£182.50	£156.40

and where an allowance has been so awarded in respect of the child or children of a member not being an Officer, the rate thereof may be increased by:

<i>Only child or elder or eldest of the children (per week)</i>	<i>Each other child (per week)</i>
£3.50	£3.00

(3) The rate of an additional allowance awarded under sub-clause (e) of this Clause in respect of a child or children of a member may be further increased to the appropriate rate below if the member:—

(a) is in receipt of an increase of his personal allowance under sub-paragraph (c) of this paragraph, or but for his age on the relevant date would be in receipt of such an increase, or

(b) is in receipt of an allowance under Clause 9(b), or

(c) having reached the age of 65 years (man) or 60 years (woman) is not eligible for retirement pension under the National Insurance Acts 1965 to 1971 or any benefit similar thereto as is referred to in paragraph 14(g) of this Clause, solely by reason of his failure to satisfy contribution conditions.

<i>Officers</i>	
<i>Only child or elder or eldest of the children (per year)</i>	<i>Each other child (per year)</i>
£385.80	£359.80
<i>Ratings</i>	
<i>Only child or elder or eldest of the children (per week)</i>	<i>Each other child (per week)</i>
£7.40	£6.90

In the case of existing awards, transitional provisions provide for the aggregate rate of these allowances to be maintained if, exceptionally, it would be reduced by the application of the new rates.

(f) Where a member of the naval forces is not in receipt of an allowance under sub-clause (e) of this Clause in respect of a wife an additional allowance may be awarded in respect of an adult dependant at the rate of

<i>Officers (per year)</i>	<i>Ratings (per week)</i>
£474.50	£9.10

as the Ministry of Defence may think fit having regard to the financial circumstances of that adult dependant, provided that the member of the naval forces shall not be awarded an additional allowance in respect of more than one adult dependant.

(g) The benefit referred to in sub-clause (d) of this Clause is personal benefit under the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Acts 1965 to 1971, sickness benefit, retirement pension, invalidity pension and allowance or contributory old age pension under the National Insurance Acts 1965 to 1971, or any benefits similar to the aforesaid benefits under any legislation in Northern Ireland corresponding to those Acts, or under the law of any place outside the United Kingdom which in the opinion of the Ministry of Defence is analogous to those Acts.

15. *Allowances where Abstention from Work is necessary following treatment in a hospital or similar institution*

(a) Where it is certified that a member of the naval forces should, on completion of a course of treatment in a hospital or similar institution abstain from work in consequence of the condition which necessitated that treatment, he may be treated as if he were eligible for a treatment allowance under Clause 14.

(b) This Clause shall not apply to a member of the naval forces who is in receipt of an allowance under Clause 9(b).

16. *Allowances for Part-time Treatment.* Where a member of the naval forces receives treatment which would be treatment as defined in Clause 14, but for the fact that it involves only occasional interruptions of the member's normal employment, a treatment allowance may be awarded to the member at such rate, not exceeding £9.80 a day, as the Ministry of Defence may think appropriate having regard to any loss of remunerative time by the member as a result of those interruptions, and provided that the rate of a treatment allowance awarded to a member under this Clause in respect of any period of a week or less shall not exceed the amount by which the weekly value of the member's existing award under this Schedule (excluding any award under Clauses 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9(b), 10, 11 or 13) falls short of the weekly value of the award which would have been appropriate in the case of that member under Clause 14 (excluding any award under sub-clause (c) of that Clause) if he had been eligible for an award under that Clause.

17. *Medical Expenses.* Any necessary expenses in respect of the medical, surgical or rehabilitation treatment of a member of the naval forces not otherwise provided for may be defrayed by the Ministry of Defence under such conditions and up to such amount as the Ministry of Defence may determine.