

STATUTORY RULES.

1913. No. 308.

PROVISIONAL REGULATIONS UNDER THE NAVAL DEFENCE ACT 1910-12.

REGULATIONS FOR THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVAL COLLEGE.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby certify that, on account of urgency, the following Regulations under the *Naval Defence Act 1910-12* should come into immediate operation, and, further, should be taken to have come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1913, and make the Regulations to come into operation accordingly as Provisional Regulations.

Dated this third day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

DENMAN,
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command.
E. D. MILLEN.

REGULATIONS FOR THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVAL COLLEGE.

DEFINITIONS.

In these Regulations—

“Captain” means the Executive Officer appointed by the Naval Board to command the establishment.

“Commanding Officer” means the officer in actual command at the moment.

I.—OBJECTS OF THE COLLEGE.

1. The Royal Australian Naval College is established under authority of the *Naval Defence Act 1910-12*, for the training of Naval Officers.

II.—CONDITIONS OF ENTRY AND SERVICE.

2. As the term Naval Cadet has throughout the Commonwealth another meaning to that in use in the Imperial Navy, the rank hitherto known in the British Navy by the term “Naval Cadet” will be designated instead “Cadet Midshipman,” the young officers attaining the rank of Midshipman on passing out of the College.

3. All Cadet Midshipmen will enter the Naval Service under identical conditions, and will be trained together until passing for the rank of Sub-Lieutenant.

After passing for the rank of Sub-Lieutenant, they will be required to serve either as general service officers or to specialize in engineering, gunnery, torpedo, or navigation.

As far as possible, officers will be allowed to choose the branch for which they will qualify, but the assignment will be at the discretion of the Naval Board.

4. Parents or guardians (who must be domiciled in Australia or native-born Australians temporarily residing elsewhere) must declare in writing their intention that the candidate, if he obtains entry as Cadet Midshipman, will adopt the Navy as his profession in life, and candidates will only be selected subject to this condition.

5. Every Cadet Midshipman who enters the Naval College must engage to serve for a term of twelve years in the Royal Australian Navy from date of attaining the age of 18 years, in addition to whatever period may be necessary until he reaches that age, and must be prepared to continue his training so long as the Naval Board are satisfied with his progress; parents are not at liberty to withdraw their sons at will.

In the event of a Cadet Midshipman withdrawing from, or leaving, or refusing, or failing to continue his training in the Naval College or the Instructional Cruiser, a penalty of £75 for each year's training undergone, or proportionately for a portion of a year, may be imposed on the parents or guardians of such Cadet Midshipman.

No Cadet Midshipman shall be allowed to withdraw from the College or the Instructional Cruiser without the consent in writing of the Naval Board.

6. Candidates must be the sons of natural-born or naturalized British subjects. (In doubtful cases, the burden of clear proof will rest upon the parents or guardians of candidates.)

Every candidate must furnish an application in the prescribed form, and must attach to his application:—

- (a) A certified extract from the register of his birth, or, if this cannot be obtained, a certificate of his baptism or other documentary evidence, accompanied by a statutory declaration made by his parents or guardians before a Justice of the Peace, stating the exact date of birth.
- (b) A certificate of good moral character, signed by the clergyman of the place of worship he usually attends.
- (c) A certificate of conduct and ability, signed by the head of the school at which he has received his education for at least the two preceding years; if he has attended more than one school during that period a certificate must be obtained from each school. Special forms of certificate are provided with the Form of Application.

7. Candidates are eligible for only one application and qualifying examination. Candidates who are prevented by illness from attending the interview with the Committee will be dealt with on the merits of the individual case.

In the case of those who may be unable to sit for the qualifying examination, for any reason, their candidature will be considered to have lapsed.

8. Candidates will be accepted for examination from amongst those boys whose 13th birthday falls in the year in which the entrance examination is held.

9. Every candidate must be in good health, and free from any physical defect of body, impediment of speech, defect of sight or hearing, and also from any predisposition to constitutional or hereditary disease or weakness of any kind, and be in all respects well developed and active in proportion to his age. Before undergoing the qualifying examination he must pass the medical examination according to the prescribed regulations, and must be found physically fit for the Navy.

It should be particularly noted that full normal vision, as determined by the prescribed tests, is required. The physical requirements of candidates are as shown in Appendix A.

10. Every candidate will be required to present himself before a committee, the constitution of which is detailed in next paragraph. Each candidate will be interviewed separately with the object of determining his suitability for the Naval Service.

11. The Interviewing Committee will be composed of the following :—
 Captain of Naval College,
 Captain of Training Ship,
 District Naval Officer,
 Director of Education, with consent of State Government, or a properly qualified person nominated by him,
 A Naval Medical Officer.

and will sit on properly advertised dates at

Brisbane,	Adelaide,
Sydney,	*Fremantle,
Melbourne,	Hobart,

for the selection of the most promising youths from amongst the number applying, and for the elimination of those considered unsuitable by the Interviewing Committee.

* Candidates from Western Australia may be required to undergo a provisional interview at Fremantle to eliminate those considered unsuitable. This provisional interview will take place at a date sufficiently early to allow successful candidates to present themselves before the Interviewing Committee at Adelaide. A similar arrangement will also be made at Brisbane should any candidates from Papua or the Northern Territory present themselves; the rail or steamer fares and travelling expenses of candidates who have passed the provisional interview will be paid, whether they are successful or otherwise.

The Provisional Committee will consist of—

District Naval Officer,
 Director of Education, with consent of State Government, or a properly qualified person nominated by him,
 A Naval Medical Officer.

The Constitution of the Interviewing Committee and of the Provisional Committee may be altered if desirable.

12. All candidates interviewed will be divided into two classes :—

Class A.—Those considered suitable;
 Class B.—Those considered unsuitable.

Only those in Class A will be allowed to sit for the qualifying educational examination.

13. The qualifying educational examination will be held annually, on a date which will be notified to candidates in Class A by the Naval Secretary.

A syllabus of the examination can be obtained from the Naval Secretary, Navy Office, Melbourne.

14. Candidates will be considered to belong to the State in which their parents or guardians are domiciled, but they may attend before the Interviewing Committee or at the Qualifying Examination at one of the prescribed centres in another State on receiving the permission of the Naval Board. Parents or guardians wishing such a course to be adopted must attach a request to this effect to the Application Form, stating the full postal address to which communications on the matter should be sent to their son or ward.

15. The fact that a candidate may be directed to present himself for examination is not to be understood as implying that he will necessarily be one of those finally selected for admission to the Naval College.

16. Nominations will be made by the Minister of Defence, upon the recommendation of the Naval Board, from such candidates as are considered most suitable by the Interviewing Committee, and who have afterwards passed the qualifying examination in educational subjects.

17. Appointments to the Royal Australian Naval College will be made for each year on the basis of population, according to the number of boys required for each year. The following shows approximately the percentage of appointments from each State:—

	Per cent.
New South Wales	38
Victoria	31
Queensland	12
South Australia	10
Western Australia	6
Tasmania	3
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18. Should an insufficient number of candidates from any one State qualify for entry, the vacancies thus arising will be filled by qualified candidates from other States, selected in order of merit.

19. The list of successful candidates will be published in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* in alphabetical order.

Each candidate will also be informed whether he has passed or failed in his examination and whether he has been selected for appointment as Cadet Midshipman.

20. The cost of maintenance of Cadet Midshipmen, after joining the College, will be borne by the Commonwealth.

21. The training period will be four years at the Naval College, followed by, if possible, six months' training in an instructional cruiser.

22. The vacations will be eight weeks at Christmas, commencing on the Thursday next after the 12th December, and two weeks at midwinter, commencing on the Thursday next after the 11th July, with a week at each half term for Cadet Midshipmen who can visit their homes in the time available. Those who do not go on short leave will, if possible, spend the week in the cruiser.

23. The parents or guardians of a Cadet Midshipman, up to the time of his leaving the instructional cruiser, may be called upon to withdraw him should he be found, for any reason, unsuitable to the Naval Service.

24. No pay, other than the weekly pocket money and good-conduct allowances prescribed in Regulations 48 and 50 shall be paid to Cadet Midshipmen.

25. Forms of application may be obtained from the Naval Secretary, Navy Office, Melbourne, or from the District Naval Officer at Sydney, Brisbane, Port Adelaide, Fremantle, and Hobart.

III.—COMMAND.

26. The College shall be under the control of the Executive Officer appointed from time to time by the Naval Board for that purpose.

He will report direct to the Naval Board on all matters connected with the College.

27. In the absence of the Captain, the next senior commissioned Naval, Executive, or Engineer Officer will control the establishment.

No member of the Civil Staff may exercise any executive (military) command.

IV.—STAFF.

28. The Staff of the College shall be as provided on the Estimates. The complement shall be approved by the Naval Board.

29. All members of the Instructional and Civil Staff shall at any time, if required by the Captain, be prepared to afford assistance in other branches of instruction outside their own, at the Naval College.

V.—CIVIL STAFF.

30. The Civil Staff shall be as follows—

Director of Studies.—Chief Naval Instructor with relative rank of Commander.

Assistant Director of Studies.—Chief Naval Instructor with relative rank of Commander, or Senior Naval Instructor with relative rank of Lieutenant above eight years' seniority.

Senior Naval Instructors.—With relative rank of Lieutenant above eight years' seniority.

Naval Instructors.—With relative rank of Lieutenant.

31.—Naval Instructors shall be appointed by the Naval Board on the recommendation of the Director of Studies, supported by the Captain of the College.

32. Naval Instructors shall rank amongst themselves for purposes of accommodation, &c., according to the dates of their commissions in the rank they hold.

33. Naval Instructors shall wear the uniform of their rank, and shall be granted on first appointment a uniform gratuity as follows, subject to the production of supporting vouchers—

Relative rank of Commander, £50

Relative rank of Lieutenant, £40

34. Naval Instructors shall not engage in any outside profession or business. They shall not be permitted to prepare candidates for admission to the College nor to accept fees for private instruction either in term or during vacation.

35. Appointment of Naval Instructors shall be for five years, provided that at any time the Naval Instructor on the one hand, or the Naval Board, on the advice of the Captain of the College, on the other, may terminate the engagement by giving six months' notice.

36. The tenure of office of members of the Civil Staff shall depend upon their good behaviour. They may at any time be suspended or removed for misconduct, of which the Naval Board shall be the sole judge.

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VI.—MEDICAL OFFICER.

39. The Medical Officer appointed to the Permanent Staff shall rank according to the Regulations of the Service.

VII.—AUTHORITY OF CAPTAIN.

41. The Captain is authorized to issue such Standing and Routine Orders and Instructions as he may deem necessary, provided that they are not opposed to anything contained in the Naval Defence Act or these Regulations.

42. The Captain is authorized—

- (a) To approve of all requisitions for supplies for the conduct and maintenance of the College, provided that the expenditure on any one item does not exceed £25. For amounts in excess of £25 the approval of the Naval Board must be obtained.
- (b) To approve of expenditure under the Divisions and Subdivisions of any vote for the College, provided that it is not a new service, vote or item, or involves any alteration of existing rules or practice, and that it is not an allowance or payment to any member of the Forces, except such as is governed by Regulations and does not require Ministerial approval.
- (c) To appoint, engage, discharge, or dismiss all general workmen, gardeners, and other casual employés who are not sworn in under the Defence Act.
- (d) To assign quarters.

VIII.—LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Permanent Staff.

43. The Captain may grant leave of absence to members of the Staff whose services can be spared for the entire period of the suspension of the ordinary academic studies, notwithstanding anything contained in the Regulations for the Naval Forces limiting the amount of leave to be granted in one year.

Cadet Midshipmen.

44. During short leave at mid-term, Cadet Midshipmen will not be allowed to proceed to their homes unless the journey from the College will occupy a period of less than twenty-four hours.

Illness During Leave.

45. Should a Cadet Midshipman be taken ill during leave of absence from the College, the fact should be immediately reported to the Commanding Officer, and a medical certificate, giving particulars of the ailment, forwarded. A medical certificate should also be forwarded reporting his recovery from sickness.

46. Where a Cadet Midshipman is not fully recovered to permit him to rejoin the College on the appointed date, a further medical certificate should be furnished, and the period likely to elapse before he will be fit to travel is to be stated.

47. A sick allowance at the rate of 5s. per day may be paid from Naval Funds to the parents or guardians upon the receipt of these certificates.

IX.—POCKET MONEY.

48. Cadet Midshipmen shall be allowed the sum of one shilling per week as pocket money, during the time that they are at the College or on board the Instructional Cruiser.

49. This allowance shall be liable to stoppage for punishment for a period not exceeding five weeks consecutively.

50. Good conduct allowance at the rates shown below shall be awarded to Cadet Midshipmen of uniformly exemplary conduct. Any serious offence will entail the loss or reduction of the Good Conduct Allowance. The qualifications necessary for the award of good conduct allowance shall be determined by the Captain.

Term of Exemplary Conduct.	To obtain—	Addition to weekly pocket money.
Six months	1st award	Threepence
Eighteen months	2nd "	Sixpence
Three years	3rd "	One shilling

The sum named is in each case the total amount of good conduct allowance.

Chief Cadet Captains will receive 1s. 6d. extra pocket money weekly.

Cadet Captain will receive 1s. extra pocket money weekly.

Cadet Captains will be chosen from amongst Cadet Midshipmen who are qualified for the receipt of the highest award of Good Conduct Allowance, and will be rated by the Captain from time to time as considered necessary. They will be selected with regard to their ability to assist the officers in maintaining the discipline and good order of the College.

X.—CUSTODY OF PRIVATE MONEYS BELONGING TO CADET MIDSHIPMEN.

51. The Accountant Officer shall conduct a Bank for the safe custody of private moneys belonging to Cadet Midshipmen.

52. Cadet Midshipmen shall be allowed to retain in their possession sums not exceeding five shillings. All money in excess of this amount shall be deposited in the Bank.

53. The Bank will be open on certain days at fixed hours for deposits and withdrawals.

54. Withdrawals shall be limited to two shillings per week, except in special cases, when permission to withdraw an additional amount must be obtained from the Lieutenant of the Term.

55. Cadet Midshipmen under stoppage of Pocket Money will not be allowed to make withdrawals from the Bank

XI.—CADET MIDSHIPMAN'S OUTFIT.

56. The following articles of outfit shall be issued free to each Cadet Midshipman and maintained at Government expense. Any loss or damage resulting through the neglect or carelessness of a Cadet Midshipman shall entail forfeiture of pocket money for a period not exceeding five weeks consecutively, and any balance of cost of replacement may, on the recommendation of the Captain, and the approval of the Naval Board, be charged against his parents or guardians—

- 1 Sea Chest
- 2 Serge double-breasted Jackets (gilt buttons)
- 2 Serge Waistcoats (gilt buttons)
- 2 pairs Serge Trousers
- 2 Uniform Caps, with Badge
- 6 Cap Covers, white
- 2 Tunics, white drill (Service pattern)
- 3 pairs Trousers, white drill
- 3 pairs Trousers, blue drill
- 3 pairs Trousers, white serge
- 3 Shirts, white, soft, without collar
- 4 Shirts, white, soft, with collar turned down, pocket

- 2 Shirts, blue Californian flannel, with collar turned down, pocket
- 2 Sweaters, white
- 1 Sweater, blue
- 3 Hats, white linen
- 6 Collars, white linen, with peak
- 3 Pyjama Suits
- 4 Merino Vests (2 thick, 2 thin)
- 4 Merino Drawers (2 thick, 2 thin)
- 6 Merino Socks
- 1 Black Silk Tie (closely knitted)
- 12 Handkerchiefs, pocket, white
- 2 pairs Braces
- 1 pair Boots, black, lace-up
- 1 pair Boots, brown, strong, lace-up
- 1 pair Boots, football
- 1 pair Shoes, gymnastic
- 1 pair Shoes, brown, indoor
- 2 Overall Suits, brown jean
- 1 Waterproof
- 1 pair Brushes, hair
- 1 Comb
- 1 Brush, clothes
- 1 Brush, nail
- 2 Brushes, tooth
- 1 Sponge and Bag
- 2 Soiled Linen Bags
- 1 Rug (blue) and strap
- 1 Portmanteau
- 1 Key Ring
- 1 pair Football Knickers, flannel, blue
- 1 pair Football Knickers, flannel, white
- 2 pairs Football Stockings
- 2 Jerseys, football (1 dark green, 1 striped)
- 2 Lanyards, knife
- 1 Belt, gymnastic
- 1 Bathing Suit
- 3 Towels
- 1 Knife
- 1 pair Nail Scissors

Free issues of Toilet Soap and Tooth Powder shall also be granted to Cadet Midshipmen.

Clothing, or other items of outfit, left about in improper places will be taken charge of by the Cadet Gunner, and a fine of one penny for each article will be charged against the weekly pocket money of the Cadet Midshipman concerned prior to its restoration.

XII.—CANTEEN.

57. A Canteen shall be established for the supply of Confectionery, &c., and shall be managed by a Committee consisting of two Officers and a Cadet Captain.

58. The stores shall be under the charge of the Ship's Steward or an Officer's Steward, 1st class, who may be paid a percentage on the profits, on the approval of the Captain, for the care of the same.

59. The Committee shall be responsible that all accounts for stores are promptly paid. Accounts shall be audited quarterly by the Accountant Officer, and submitted to the Captain

60. Any profit from the Canteen shall be credited to the Cadets' Fund.

61. The Captain may, subject to the approval of the Naval Board, enter into a contract with private persons to conduct the Canteen, and any rent or payment paid for this privilege shall be credited to the Cadets' Fund.

XIII.—LAUNDRY.

62. A Laundry for the washing of Clothing, Mess Linen, &c., of Cadet Midshipmen will be conducted at the College under the supervision of the Matron.

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XIV.—TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

64. Before entry, no expenses for passages or travelling will be allowed to candidates, except in the case of those referred to in paragraph 11.

65. The rate of travelling allowance for Cadet Midshipmen shall be an inclusive allowance of 6s. per day, calculated as prescribed in Financial Regulations for the Naval Forces.

66. On first entry, Cadet Midshipmen will be granted a first-class passage from their place of residence to the College, and Travelling Allowance at the rate prescribed in Regulation 65.

67. When proceeding to their homes on short leave or during vacations, they will be provided with first-class return tickets, and, except when provided with meals under par. 98, will be paid in advance travelling allowances for the journey home and from home to the College.

68. When meals are provided, no travelling allowance will be paid.

XV.—PRIZES.

69. The following prizes will be given annually and will be competed for by the Cadet Midshipmen of each year's entry:—

Grand Aggregate Prize	... Value of 3 guineas
Mathematics	} Value of 1½ guineas each
Navigation	
Science	
Modern Languages	
History, Geography and English	
Engineering	
Seamanship	

The cost of these prizes shall be defrayed from the College Vote.

70. A Cadet Midshipman will not be allowed to receive more than two prizes in addition to the Grand Aggregate Prize in any year. In cases where a Cadet Midshipman qualifies for prizes in more than two subjects, he will be allowed to choose the subjects for which to receive the prize. The prize for the remaining subjects will be awarded to the Cadet Midshipman next in order of merit.

XVI.—CADETS' FUND.

71. This Fund will be made up of a Capitation Grant of £2 per annum per head, based on the number of Midshipmen at the College on previous 30th June, and will be charged to the College Vote, and drawn quarterly in advance by the Accountant Officer, who will be responsible for the proper accounting of same.

72. The administration of the Fund will be under the control of the Captain.

The Cadets' Fund shall be used for the following purposes:—Cricket, Football, Athletics, Tennis, Swimming, Regatta, and other outdoor Sports, Indoor Games, and Prizes therefor; also upkeep of Sports Gear.

XVII.—SPORTS GEAR.

73. The first supply of gear required for any branch of sport or indoor game shall, on the approval of the Naval Board, be defrayed from the College Vote.

74. Gear required for the Gymnasium shall be treated as ordinary stores for the conduct of the establishment, and its supply and maintenance shall be a charge against College Vote.

XVIII.—PUNISHMENTS.

75. During the first two years of a Cadet Midshipman at the College, caning may be awarded by the Captain for the following offences:—Immoral behaviour, use of obscene language, direct disobedience of orders, striking a cadet captain in the execution of his duty, bullying. Cuts shall be administered by an Officer, and the total number shall not exceed twelve.

76. Every Cadet Midshipman is also liable to the following punishments, which may be awarded either severally or conjointly:—

No. of Punishment.	By whom Awarded.	Limit of Punishment.	Nature of Punishment.	Remarks.
1	Captain, subject to approval of Naval Board	...	Dismissal	
2	Captain	Severe reprimand with or without caning	Entails loss of all Good Conduct Allowance
3	Captain	Reprimand, with or without caning	Entails loss of one grade of Good Conduct Allowance
4	{ Captain ... Commander ...	{ 6 days ... 4 days ...	{ Drill—45 minutes March out—1 hour. Sit at defaulter's table	{
5	{ Captain ... Commander ... Lieutenant ...	{ 1 month ... 6 days ... 1 day ...	{ Confined to college grounds	{ ...
5A	{ Commander ... Lieutenant ...	{ 6 days ... 1 day ...	{ Bathing stopped ...	Bathing offences
6	{ Commander ... Lieutenant ...	{ 6 days ... 1 day ...	{ Sit at defaulter's table	Mess offences
7	{ Captain ... Commander ...	{ 5 weeks ... 1 week ...	{ Pocket money stopped	{ ...
8	Commander ...	4 days ...	45 minutes' drill	...
9	Lieutenants	2 days ...	30 minutes' drill ...	} Study offences and minor disciplinary
10	Lieutenants	2 days ...	15 minutes' drill ...	

- (a) On excessively windy days or days of exceptional heat, all punishment drills may be reduced to not less than 15 minutes, at the discretion of the Commanding Officer, or may be deferred till the following day.
- (b) All offences committed by Chief Captains and Captains of Cadets are to be reported to the Captain.
- (c) Cadets who have received punishments 2, 3, 4, 5 or 8 are debarred from leave to parents or friends for that week.
- (d) No punishment, except Nos. 9 and 10, is to be awarded on the day the offence is committed, and all punishments are to be recorded.
- (e) No punishment, excepting No. 5, is to be carried out on Sundays.

XIX.—FINES AND STOPPAGE OF POCKET MONEY.

77. All fines shall be credited to Revenue. Pocket Money stopped or forfeited shall also be credited to Revenue.

XX.—LIBRARY.

78. The Cadet Midshipmen's Library will be managed by a Committee consisting of three Naval Instructors appointed by the Director of Studies. One Cadet from each Term will assist in the choice of books.

79. All rules and regulations for the Library are to be submitted to the Captain before they are promulgated.

80. The maintenance of the Library shall be charged to the College Vote. The Committee must obtain the authority of the Captain before any expenditure is incurred, and this authority must be forwarded to the Accountant Officer.

81. Fines may be inflicted by stoppage from Pocket Money for failure to return a book within the period allowed for its retention, and in the case of a book being lost by a Cadet Midshipman, a proportion of its value may be deducted from his Pocket Money.

82. Wilful damage must be paid for. The Committee will assess the amount, the Cadet Midshipman responsible being reported to the Commander.

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XXI.—VICTUALLING.

85. Cadet Midshipmen shall be victualled in accordance with the General Messing System as laid down in Financial Regulations, except that the amount allowed per head shall be 1s. 9d. per diem in lieu of 1s. 2d. The Accountant Officer shall make the necessary arrangements to provide suitable meals, and shall submit weekly a bill of fare for the approval of the Captain.

86. No allowance in lieu of rations shall be credited or paid to a Cadet Midshipman during the time that he is absent from the College or Training Cruiser on short leave or during vacations.

XXII.—GENERAL.

87. The Captain will submit to the Minister in January of each year a report for presentation to Parliament.

88. No person belonging to the College is to receive a present from any Cadet Midshipman, or from relations or friends of any Cadet Midshipman. Any petty officer or employé discovered accepting a present will be liable to be removed or discharged, and the Cadet Midshipman giving it to be punished for disobedience of orders.

89. Cadet Midshipmen are not permitted to offer a present to any person belonging to the College or to the near relation of any such person.

90. Cadet Midshipmen will salute all Officers In Uniform, and those whom they know to be officers when not in uniform.

91. Any officer on the Staff of the College wishing to marry must obtain the consent in writing of the Captain of the College under penalty of forfeiture of appointment. Consent will, as a rule, only be given in case of those appointments for which married quarters are allowed.

92. Visitors to the College, or to any person in the establishment, shall conduct themselves in such a way as not to conflict with discipline and the regulations and orders for the government of the College. Those whose conduct is deemed unsatisfactory may be removed either by the College Staff or by the Civil Power.

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REGULATIONS RESPECTING CADET MIDSHIPMEN WHILST UNDERGOING THE INSTRUCTIONAL COURSE AT THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVAL COLLEGE AND ON BOARD THE CRUISER.

(FOR THE INFORMATION OF PARENTS.)

94. The Cadet Midshipmen will undergo a course of instruction at the College lasting four years—during which period there will be two terms in each year.

On passing out of the College, they will continue their training for six months in the instructional cruiser, at the termination of which they will be appointed to a sea-going ship.

95. Cadet Midshipmen joining the College will act as follows:—The parents or guardians will make their own arrangements so that the young officers shall be at the railway station nearest to the College upon the day appointed. An officer from the College will then take charge and the responsibility of the parent or guardian will cease.

96. The vacation will be as follow:—

2 weeks at Midwinter.

8 weeks at Christmas.

There will be also a week at half term, when it will be optional to the parent whether the Cadet Midshipman goes home or not. Should he not go on leave, this week will be spent, if possible, on board the cruiser.

The friends of the Cadet Midshipmen must be prepared to receive them during both long vacations or to make arrangements for their reception, and the name and address of the relative or friend with whom the Cadet Midshipman will spend the vacation should be communicated to the Captain of the College at least a month before the commencement of the vacation.

97. The Cadet Midshipman will receive a return ticket, which should be taken charge of by the parent on arrival of the Cadet Midshipman at home. He will also be paid, in advance, travelling allowance while actually travelling from the College to his home and from his home to the College.

98. In order to obviate the disadvantage of young boys being furnished with considerable sums of money, those going on long journeys will be furnished with coupons for payment of meals, arrangements for the payment of such being made in advance. No travelling allowance will be paid when meals are provided.

99. As the Cadet Midshipmen will have a weekly allowance paid to them by the Government as pocket money and a charge will be made against the parents should any other legitimate source of expenditure arise, the possession of large sums of money is deprecated. It is suggested as a reasonable sum that Cadet Midshipmen in their first two years should not bring with them to the College more than £1, or £2 in the later period. Such money as may be required for any special circumstance will be advanced by the Paymaster under authority of the Captain and will be charged against the private account.

100. Valuables will be taken charge of and placed in security until the return home of the Cadet Midshipmen.

Silver or gun metal watches may be worn.

101. Parents should see that all linen sent back with the Cadet Midshipmen is clean and in good order. The uniform supplied by the Government is not generally to be worn on leave, but may be worn at parties or on special occasions. A travelling suit is to be provided by parents.

102. Cadet Midshipmen are not permitted to open accounts with tradesmen. Parents and guardians are requested not to supply clothes other than those issued, with exception of the travelling suit mentioned in paragraph 101, as the Cadet Midshipmen will not be permitted to wear them.

103. Every Cadet Midshipman on going and returning after the vacations is required to produce a health certificate, signed by his parents or guardians, and dated not earlier than the day before he left home, to the effect that so far as is known he has not for at least three weeks, or during the time he has been on leave, if less than that period, immediately preceding his return, been exposed to any infectious disease, or entered any house where such disease has existed. A certificate drawn up in the necessary form is sent to each parent, and failure on the part of the Cadet Midshipman to produce this certificate duly filled up and signed *will entail his not being received at the College*. In such cases, the Cadet Midshipman will be placed under observation in the sick quarters, losing the advantages of instruction during that time, and the cost of his keep, estimated at 5s. a day, will be charged against the parent or guardian. In the event of the Cadet Midshipman being placed on the sick list, information will be sent to the parents who will also be informed of the progress of the illness if it be in the slightest degree serious.

104. All letters relative to students should be addressed :--

‘The Commanding Officer,

Royal Australian Naval College,

*Captain’s Point, Jervis Bay,

Nowra, N.S.W.’

and not to the Captain by name, as should he be absent considerable delay may take place.

* NOTE.—Until further notice, the address of the Naval College will be —
Osborne House,
North Geelong,
Victoria.

Parents or guardians changing their address must communicate the same to the Commanding Officer without delay.

105. The course of study includes the following subjects:—

Mathematics, including Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Plane and Spherical Trigonometry, Algebraical Geometry, Differential and Integral Calculus.

Physics, including Hydrostatics, Statics, Dynamics, Heat, Optics, Magnetism and Electricity, Applied Mechanics, Applied Electricity.

Chemistry.

Engineering, with Workshop Practice and Mechanical Drawing.

Seamanship, with Gunnery in the Training Cruiser.

Navigation.

English.

French.

German.

History, including Naval History.

Geography.

Bible Study.

Drill and Physical Training.

A large proportion of the time of the Cadet Midshipman is given to the practical study of engineering in the workshop, in instructional steam and motor boats attached to the College, and in the Training Cruisers.

106. In all subjects of instruction the principle will be followed of giving merit marks for current work. At the end of each term the proficiency of the Cadet Midshipmen will be tested, partly by examination and partly by marks gained for current work.

107. There will be an examination at the end of each year's service, a particularly careful scrutiny being given to each Cadet Midshipman's record at the end of the second year. On leaving the College it will be possible for Cadet Midshipmen to gain time as Sea-going Midshipmen in proportion to the merit of their examination and previous record at the College; the maximum time gained being four months.

108. Cadet Midshipmen who fail to attain a certain standard, or who, for any reason, are considered unsuitable for the Naval Service, may be required to withdraw at any time.

This rule will apply to those who do not show an aptitude for Naval life, as well as to those who make insufficient progress, or whose constitution is weak, although no disease may have developed.

109. Cadet Midshipmen may be required to withdraw at any time for unsatisfactory conduct.

110. It is to be distinctly understood that the period of training, including the time spent in the training cruiser, is a time of probation, and the parent of every candidate is required to sign a declaration on the admission of a Cadet Midshipman to the effect that he shall be immediately withdrawn on the receipt of an official request for his withdrawal.

111. When a Cadet Midshipman is found to be making insufficient progress, a letter will be sent to his parent or guardian warning them of the possibility that withdrawal may be necessary. This warning will be sent in general a term in advance to enable the parent to make other arrangements in case his withdrawal should become imperative.

APPENDIX A.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS IN THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY.

112. With a view to preventing candidates who may be physically unfit for the Naval Service from incurring the inconvenience and expense of preparing for commissions in the Royal Australian Navy, it is suggested that they undergo examination by the medical adviser of the family, or any other qualified medical practitioner. The following points are those which constitute the most usual causes of rejection, and to which special attention is directed. Candidates will, previous to entry, undergo a final medical examination at a place to be appointed by the Naval Board.

(It is to be understood that this private examination is merely suggested as a guide for intending candidates and to lessen the chances of disappointment, and that it is by no means intended to take the place of, or to influence in any way, the regular official physical examination.)

(1) A weak constitution, imperfect development, physical weakness, either hereditary or from chronic disease, wounds, or injuries.

(2) Skin disease, unless temporary or trivial.

(3) Malformation of the head, deformity from fracture or depression of the bones of the skull, impaired intellect, epilepsy, paralysis, or impediment of speech.

(4) Blindness or defective vision, imperfect perception of colours, fistula lachrymalis, or any chronic disease of the eyes or eyelids. Full normal vision is required as determined by Snellen's tests, each eye being separately examined, for all candidates for appointments in the Military or Engineer branches. Full normal vision is not required for candidates for other branches of the Navy, but any defect of vision must be due to errors of refraction which can be corrected to normal by glasses, and each case will be specially considered on its merits.

(5) Impaired hearing, or discharge from one or both ears, or any disease of the external, middle, or internal ears.

(6) Disease of the bones of the nose or of its cartilages, nasal polypus, or disease of the naso-pharynx.

(7) Disease of the throat, tongue, palate, or tonsils; many unsound teeth, unhealthy gums, disease of the glands of the throat or neck, external cicatrices, if at all extensive, and especially if adherent.

(8) Functional or organic disease of the heart or blood vessels, deformity or contraction of the chest, phthisis, hæmoptysis, bronchitis, asthma, dyspnoea, aphonia, chronic cough, or any symptom of lung disease or tendency thereto.

(9) Undue swelling or distension of the abdomen, obesity, disease or enlargement of the liver, spleen, or kidneys. Rupture, weakness or distension of the abdominal rings; any disease of the bladder or incontinence of urine.

(10) The existence of any defect of the genital organs, or of varicocele.

(11) Any disease of the stomach or bowels.

(12) Paralysis, weakness, impaired motion, or deformity of the upper or lower extremities, from whatever cause; a varicose state of the veins, especially of the leg. Bunions, distortion or malformation of the hands, feet, fingers or toes.

(13) Distortion of the spine, of the bones of the chest, or pelvis, from injury or constitutional defect.

It is desirable that the candidate should have been vaccinated.