

STATUTORY RULES.

1917. No. 239.

REGULATIONS UNDER THE DEFENCE ACT 1903-1915.

I SIR ARTHUR STANLEY, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, acting as the Deputy of the Governor-General in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Regulations under the *Defence Act* 1903-1915, to come into operation forthwith.

Dated this nineteenth day of September, 1917.

A. L. STANLEY,
Deputy of the Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,
G. F. PEARCE,
Minister of State for Defence.

War Financial Regulations, dated 28th February, 1917 (Statutory Rules 1917, No. 49), are amended as follows:—

Regulation 5:—

Delete:—

“ Matron-in-Chief, or Principal Matron (with an allowance of 10s. per diem, to include all allowances)	15s. 0d.
Matron (if included)	13s. 4d.”
and substitute:—	
“ Matron-in-Chief	15s. 0d.
Principal Matron or Matron	13s. 4d.”

Regulation 9 is repealed and the following new Regulation made in lieu thereof:—

“ 9. Officers, Warrant Officers, and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Australian Imperial Force who are appointed and promoted to temporary rank in lieu of permanent promotion to fill vacancies within authorized establishments, or in the place of Officers, Warrant Officers, and Non-Commissioned Officers who have become casualties by reason of wounds or sickness, or of being seconded for any duty, will receive pay, at the rate provided for the substantive rank equivalent to the temporary rank to which they are promoted, for the period during which they are actually performing the duties pertaining to such temporary rank. To take effect from 31st July, 1915.”

Regulation 15:—Add the following paragraphs, to take effect from 25th October, 1916:—

“ For the purposes of the preceding paragraph officers shall be deemed to be employed in authorized appointments on the Head-Quarters hereinbefore mentioned if they hold appointments which are provided for in the authorized establishments, or if they are appointed through A.I.F. Lists by the General Officer Commanding Australian Imperial Force abroad, to fill any other position on such Head-Quarters or are seconded for staff training.

Officers returned to Australia for change or on duty will draw Field Allowance from date of rejoining Camp.”

Regulation 16 is repealed and the following new Regulation made in lieu thereof, to take effect from 28th February, 1917:—

“Chaplains appointed to the Australian Imperial Force for service abroad shall receive Field Allowance under the same conditions as officers and in accordance with their relative rank, *i.e.*:—

Chaplains.	Field Allowance as for—
4th Class	Captain
3rd Class	Major
2nd Class	Lieutenant-Colonel
1st Class	Colonel.”

Regulation 18.—Add—

“Matron-in-Chief shall receive an allowance of 10s. per diem, to include uniform and all other allowances except travelling allowance. Travelling allowance will be paid as for the rank of Captain to Matron-in-Chief, provided, however, that the allowance of 10s. per diem before mentioned shall cease during any period in excess of seven days for which travelling allowance is payable.”

Regulation 20.—Second paragraph:—

Delete—

“Officers on appointment,”
and substitute—

“Officers on first appointment to commissioned rank in Australia.”

Delete third paragraph and substitute—

“Officers who, on or after 29th August, 1916, shall have completed twelve months' service abroad as officers may be paid an allowance of £5 towards the expense of maintaining their equipment and clothing, provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to those whose services as officers terminated prior to 29th August, 1916, nor to officers appointed for the voyage only. A similar allowance of £5 will also be payable in respect of each subsequent twelve months' service abroad, but no payments will be made in respect of any service of less than twelve months.”

Regulation 23.—Insert the distinguishing letter (a) before present Regulation.

Add the following sub-Regulation:—

(b) Travelling allowance at the following rates shall be paid to members of the Australian Army Nursing Service while travelling on duty in Australia, with the exception of nurses referred to in Regulation 19:—

Matron-in-Chief, Principal Matron, or Matron ..	12s. 6d. per diem, plus one-fifth when travelling beyond the limits of a State.
Sister or Staff Nurse ..	10s. 0d. per diem, plus one-fifth when travelling beyond the limits of a State.