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## THE PUBLIC SERVICE AMENDING REGULATIONS 1944

In pursuance and exercise of the authority conferred on him by the Public Service Act, 1912, the Public Service Commissioner doth, subject to the approval of the Governor-General in Council, hereby make the following regulations.

## REGULATIONS

1. These regulations may be cited as the Public Service Amending Regulations 1944.

2. These regulations shall be read together with and form part of the regulations made under the Public Service Act, 1912, on the 31st day of March, 1913\* (hereinafter called the principal regulations).

3. Regulation 66 of the principal regulations is revoked, and the

following substituted:—

"66. (1) The following days, or any days authorized by the Commissioner with the approval of the Governor-General in Council instead thereof, shall be observed as holidays in the Public Service unless determined otherwise in respect of the Service or any class of persons or individual therein by the Commissioner for reasons of important public interest:—

"Christmas Day and Boxing Day:

"New Year's Day:

"Good Friday to Easter Monday inclusive:

"Anzac Day:

"Sovereign's Birthday:

" Labour Day.

"(2) With the Commissioner's approval, employees to whom, on grounds of departmental inconvenience, such holidays are not granted may be granted time off from duty at an opportune time or be paid overtime in lieu thereof.

"(3) All employees working under special agreements, special regulations, or awards will be granted holidays as determined by those

agreements, regulations, or awards.

"(4) Provincial Anniversary Days are not regarded as statutory holidays, but Permanent Heads, unless otherwise instructed by the Commissioner, and subject to departmental convenience, may grant employees the day off on the occasion of the provincial anniversary holiday. Officers required to work their normal hours on the occasion will not be entitled to overtime or time off in lieu thereof.

<sup>\*</sup> Gazette, 1st April, 1913, Vol. I, page 977.

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"(5) When Anniversary Day falls within the period of an officer's annual leave he shall not thereby be entitled to an additional day's leave on that account."

4. Regulation 109 of the principal regulations is revoked, and the

following substituted:—

"109. All officers to whom this Part of the regulations applies may receive travelling-allowances for personal expenses at the following rates:—

"(a) Officers receiving a salary (excluding adult and married allowances in the nature of salary) not exceeding £180 per annum: Actual and reasonable expenses.

"(b) Officers receiving a salary (excluding adult and married allowances in the nature of salary) exceeding £180 but not exceeding £305 per annum:—

"Not exceeding six days in one locality ... 17
"Exceeding six days in one locality ... 15

"Exceeding six days in one locality ... "Provided that if more than six days are spent in one locality, the minimum payment is to be £5 5s.

"(c) Officers receiving a salary exceeding £305 but not exceeding £380 per annum ......

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"(d) Officers receiving a salary exceeding £380 but not

exceeding £470 per annum . . . . 20 0 "(e) Officers receiving a salary exceeding £470 per annum 22 6

"Provided in respect of all the cases hereinbefore referred to—

"(i) That while at sea, if the time occupied is more than twenty-four hours, the

allowance shall be—
"For the first day of absence from

"(ii) That whenever the Commissioner or the Permanent Head is satisfied that a lower travelling-allowance than the scale should suffice, he may direct accordingly."

5. Regulation 110 (5) (b) of the principal regulations is amended by inserting the words "or a meal" after the words "sleeping-accommodation".

6. Regulation 110 (7) of the principal regulations is revoked.

7. Regulation 110 (8) of the principal regulations is revoked, and

the following substituted:-

"110. (8) Where other means of transport would prove detrimental to the public interest on the grounds of urgency or otherwise, or where a public conveyance is not available or is unsuitable, the Commissioner may grant approval to payment for the use of a private vehicle (such as a motor-car) necessary for journeys on public business or to officers travelling on transfer. In the case of an officer travelling on transfer, if fares by means of public travelling services are less than car-mileage allowance, a payment equivalent to those fares may be made in lieu of car-mileage allowance."

8. Regulation 111B of the principal regulations is revoked, and

the following substituted:

"111B. (I) Officers called upon to perform purely relieving duty which necessitates their absence at night from home may be paid allowances on the basis of actual and reasonable additional expenses above

normal costs, subject to approval by the Permanent Head or the Commissioner and not exceeding the following rates unless otherwise approved by the Commissioner:—

"(a) To officers receiving a salary not exceeding  $\mathfrak{L}295$  per annum ... Up to  $\mathfrak{12}$  6

"(b) To officers receiving a salary exceeding £295 and not exceeding £470 per annum ... Up to 15

"(c) To officers receiving a salary exceeding £470 per annum ... ... Up to 17  $\epsilon$ 

"Provided that in any special case the Commissioner may authorize payment of an allowance at a higher rate.

- "(2) A relieving-allowance shall not be paid to an officer for any period in excess of one month, or in a case where the period of relief is likely to be in excess of one month, without the previous approval of the Commissioner thereto, but in any such case the Commissioner may approve the payment of an allowance at a rate lower than the allowance provided by the last preceding clause hereof.
- "(3) Officers entitled to lodging-allowance, when appointed to relieving duty involving separate payment for such duty, will not be entitled to claim lodging-allowance for a longer time than one week after the relieving duty commences.
- "(4) Officers are not entitled to draw travelling-allowance for any time during which they perform relieving duty, except as follows: when in performing relieving duty an officer is not required to stay more than three nights in the place where such duty is performed, he may be paid travelling-allowance instead of relieving-allowance. But travelling-allowance may be paid for the day occupied in travelling to and from headquarters, provided that the time occupied exceeds six hours on each occasion."
- **9.** Regulations 120 to 123 inclusive and the heading prefixed to Regulation 124 of the principal regulations are revoked, and the following substituted:—
- "120. The railways and other Government services are to be used whenever reasonably possible in preference to other services. Mileage-allowance or fares in lieu of car-mileage allowance may, however, be allowed by the Commissioner in terms of clause (8) of Regulation 110 hereof.
- "121. (1) The maximum period for which personal expenses may be allowed by the Permanent Head to an officer for himself and his dependant family travelling on transfer from one locality to another shall be—
  - "(a) At commencement of journey-
    - "Married officer .. .. Up to two days. "Single officer .. .. Up to one day.
  - "(b) On arrival at destination—
    - "Married officer . . . . Up to seven days. Single officer . . . . Up to two days.
- "During the journey actual and reasonable personal expenses may be paid, but in all cases the daily rate for accommodation for each adult concerned shall not exceed the officer's appropriate travelling rate set out in Regulation 109 hereof:
- "Provided that in exceptional circumstances the period may be extended or the amount increased by the Commissioner.

"(2) In addition, the Commissioner may grant to a married officer for any subsequent period an allowance calculated approximately at a rate representing the difference between 60 per cent. of the officer's remuneration and any reasonable amount the officer is required to pay for temporary accommodation.

"For the purposes of this clause of this regulation the term 'remuneration' means salary plus any allowances in the nature of salary less Social Security and National Security taxes.

## "REMOVAL OF FURNITURE

"122. The Permanent Head shall arrange for the exercise of a rigid scrutiny of all removal expenses payable in connection with the transfer of an officer in order to determine that they are reasonable and economical in the public interest, and shall inform the Commissioner where in his opinion such is not the case.

"123. In reasonable circumstances the Commissioner, on recommendation of the Permanent Head, may grant to married officers on transfer at Government expense an amount not exceeding £15 to cover expenses (not otherwise recoverable but incurred by the officer as the direct result of the transfer) in adjusting to new residential quarters his household effects (such as alterations to floor coverings or soft furnishings)."

As witness my hand, this 1st day of November, 1944.

J. H. BOYES. Public Service Commissioner.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1912, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, approves the foregoing amendments.

> C. L. N. NEWALL, Governor-General.

Approved in Council this 1st day of November, 1944.

C. A. JEFFERY. Clerk of the Executive Council.

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