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Rules for the grant of furlough and leave to the various classes of
Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers.

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The following is forwarded to the Local Governments, Administrations, and Officers noted on the margin, for information in continuation of Public Works Department Circular No. 5 P. W., dated the 10th February 1898.

By order,

C. H. Walker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Clause 2 of India Army Circulars, dated the 1st January 1898.

FURLOUGH AND LEAVE.

REGULATIONS.

Rules for the grant of furlough and leave to the various classes of Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers.

The following memorandum showing the conditions under which furlough and leave may be granted to the various classes of warrant and non-commissioned officers is notified for the information and guidance of all concerned :—

MEMORANDUM.

I.—For purposes of furlough and leave, warrant and non-commissioned officers are divided into three classes, *viz.* :—

- (i).—Departmental warrant officers.
- (ii).—Warrant officers (non-departmental) and non-commissioned officers on the Unattached List.
- (iii).—Regimental warrant and non-commissioned officers.

II.—The procedure for the submission and disposal of applications for furlough and leave from all classes of warrant and non-commissioned officers is laid down in Appendix I, G. O. C. C. No. 1061 of 1894, as amended by G. O. C. C. No. 673 of 1896.

(i).—*Departmental warrant officers.*

III.—The grant of furlough and leave to departmental warrant officers is regulated in accordance with the conditions laid down in the Furlough and Leave Regulations of 1868, 1875, or 1889, as the case may be, which will be found fully set forth in Army Regulations, India, Volume I, Part I.

(ii).—*Warrant officers (non-departmental) and non-commissioned officers on the Unattached List.*

IV.—These two classes are granted furlough on the same conditions, *i. e.*, on private affairs under the provisions of Clause 202, India Army Circulars, 1897, and on medical certificate under paragraph 1675, Army Regulations, India, Volume II, receiving pay in the latter case in accordance with Article 1013, Army Regulations, India, Volume I, Part I.

V.—They are also eligible for subsidiary leave, both when proceeding on, and returning from, furlough, under Article 1010, Army Regulations, India, Volume I, Part I. During such leave they receive full military pay and half staff salary, and compensation for rations at the rate laid down in Article 999, *ibid.*, *viz.*, Rs-9-3 for any month or 4 annas 6 pies a day for broken periods.

VI.—When requiring change of air in India they are treated like regimental non-commissioned officers and soldiers and are sent, under the orders of the military district authorities, after examination by a medical board, to a convalescent or other depôt, under military supervision, for duty like other men of their rank. They are required to take their uniforms with them. While so detached they continue to be borne on the strength of the department concerned.

VII.—They are granted leave of absence in India on medical certificate without the restriction in Rule VI when resort to a convalescent or other depôt is not practicable, and whenever it is certified by a medical officer that a change of air to a sanitarium is not necessary. They are also granted leave in India on private affairs.

VIII.—Leave in India on medical certificate is granted for any period not exceeding six months in the first instance, capable of extension to one year.

IX.—Leave in India on private affairs is granted, subject to the exigencies of the service, for any period not exceeding six months. Except in special cases, warrant and non-commissioned officers on the Unattached List are not eligible for this leave until after six years' service.

X.—Men in receipt of staff pay are entitled, during leave in India, or when attached to a convalescent depôt for the benefit of their health, to half their staff salaries in addition to military pay; also to compensation for rations at the rate of Rs-9-3 for any month, or 4 annas 6 pies a day for broken periods.

XI.—They are also entitled to travel on Form E certificate when proceeding on, or returning from, leave on medical certificate, with the restriction that they can only travel 2nd class on payment of the next lower class fare.

XII.—Men finding their own way to and from convalescent depôts under Rule VI are entitled to half their departmental staff pay and travelling allowances at the usual rates for the time they are *en route* in addition to military pay and batta, provided that their departmental superiors certify that, after communication with the military authorities, it has not been found practicable to send the men with the annual draft to the depôt.

(iii).—*Regimental warrant and non-commissioned officers.*

XIII.—These are granted furlough and leave as British soldiers under Clause 40, India Army Circulars, 1894, and paragraph 1685, Army Regulations, India, Volume II.

To The Joint Secy to the Govt of Madras
Pro-Department Railway Branch