
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision as to the terms of enlistment for other ranks in the Royal Marines.

Regulation 3 provides for terms of enlistment in the Royal Marines to be of 18 years' duration from the date of attestation or until the date of the recruit's 40th birthday, if that date is later. Alternatively, recruits in the Royal Marines may be enlisted for terms of any length between 6 months and 17 years from the date of attestation.

Regulations 4, 5 and 6 enable persons in the Royal Marines to transfer to the reserve. Such rights can be restricted by agreement.

Regulation 7 confers on recruits the right to claim discharge from the Royal Marines within 6 months of the date of attestation.

Regulation 8 enables persons who have completed periods of service in the Royal Marines to remain in the Royal Marines for a further period or periods of at least 12 months' duration but not exceeding 15 years in total.

Regulation 10 is a saving provision the effect of which is that a person who enlisted in the Royal Marines before the commencement of these Regulations is not affected by them, except that he may be continued in service in the Royal Marines under regulation 8.

Regulation 11 revokes the Royal Marines Terms of Service Regulations 1988 and the subsequent amending Regulations set out in Schedule 2.