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THE PRISON DISCIPLINE LAW, 1879.

REGULATIONS MADE BY THE INSPECTOR OF PRISONS WITH THE
AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNOR UNDER SECTION 3.

By virtue of the authority conferred on me by His Excellency the Governor I,, Inspector of Prisons, hereby make the following regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Prison Officers (Badges and Allowances) Regulations, 1939. Short title.

2.—(1) Subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth, badges and pay for good conduct may be granted by the Inspector of Prisons to the Sergeant-Major Warder, Sergeant Warders and Prison Warders of the Prison Service as follows :— Good conduct badges and pay.

- 1st badge after 2 years' uninterrupted good conduct.
- 2nd badge after 2 further years' uninterrupted good conduct.
- 3rd badge after 4 further years' uninterrupted good conduct.
- 4th badge after 4 further years' uninterrupted good conduct.

(2) By "uninterrupted good conduct" is meant that no punishment, other than "confinement to barracks for not more than seven days" or "a reprimand," has been awarded. When a punishment, other than the punishments aforementioned, is awarded, the period of uninterrupted good conduct shall be deemed to be broken and to start again on the day following that on which the offence was committed.

(3) Each badge will carry a good conduct pay of 2s. 4½p. per month, that is to say :—

- An officer in possession of 1 badge will draw 2s. 4½p. per month.
- An officer in possession of 2 badges will draw 5s. per month.
- An officer in possession of 3 badges will draw 7s. 4½p. per month.
- An officer in possession of 4 badges will draw 10s. per month.

(4) The badges shall be small red and gold chevrons to be worn on the left arm below the elbow.

- One red chevron shall denote one badge.
- Two red chevrons shall denote two badges.
- One gold chevron shall denote three badges.
- One gold and one red chevron shall denote four badges.

3.—(1) Where a member of the Prison Service is punished twice within a period of six months with a punishment which is entered in his Defaulter Sheet the last badge earned by such member shall automatically be forfeited and withdrawn. Forfeiture of badges and pay.

(2) Where such a member is reduced in grade, judicially punished or sentenced to imprisonment the last two badges earned by such a member shall automatically be forfeited and withdrawn.

(3) Notwithstanding anything in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Regulation contained, in any case where the "good conduct" of a member of the Prison Service is called in question the Inspector of Prisons may in his discretion and having regard to all the circumstances of the case make such order as to the forfeiture or non-forfeiture of any badge or badges earned by such member as to him may seem fit.

4. Badges which have been forfeited shall be regained by a period of uninterrupted good conduct equal to half the period by which the badge was originally earned, e.g. a third badge which has been forfeited may be regained by two years' uninterrupted good conduct. Regaining of badges.

Award and forfeiture to be entered on Defaulter Sheet.

5. The Resident Superintendent, Central Prison, and Governors of District Prisons shall take all necessary measures to ensure that the dates of award and forfeiture of good conduct badges and pay are carefully inserted on the Defaulter Sheet of each member of the Prison Service.

Merit allowance.

6.—(1) A merit allowance of 7s. 4½p. per month will be awarded to all members of the Prison Service below the rank of Sergeant Warder, who are in possession of four good conduct badges and who have completed 20 years' service.

(2) A merit allowance shall be liable to forfeiture for any misconduct in the discretion of the Inspector of Prisons.

(3) The Resident Superintendent, Central Prison, and Governors of District Prisons shall—

(a) from time to time forward to the Inspector of Prisons for approval the names of any members of the Prison Service below the rank of Sergeant Warder who are eligible for merit allowances ;

(b) take all necessary steps to ensure that the dates of award and forfeiture of merit allowances are carefully inserted on the Defaulter Sheet of each member of the Prison Service.

(4) On the award of the merit allowance to any member of the Prison Service, the fourth good conduct badge (red chevron) will be replaced by a gold chevron, *i.e.* two gold chevrons will be worn by members of the Prison Service drawing merit allowance.

Saving.

7. Any good conduct pay or merit allowance granted to the Sergeant-Major Warder, Sergeant Warders and Prison Warders under paragraphs 346-350 of the Police Standing Orders and Regulations prior to the commencement of these Regulations shall be deemed to have been granted under these Regulations.

Allowances to Hospital Warders.

8. An allowance at the rate of two piastres per day shall be paid to two Warders employed in the Hospital of the Central Prison.

Date of coming into operation.

9. These Regulations shall be deemed to have commenced and come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1939.

Dated this 27th day of December, 1939.

(M.P. 713/28/2.)

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Inspector of Prisons.