

# SEAMEN'S WAR PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES.

No. 32 of 1954.

An Act to amend the *Seamen's War Pensions  
and Allowances Act 1940-1953*.

[Assented to 6th October, 1954.]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate,  
and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of  
Australia, as follows :—

Short title  
and citation.

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1954*.

(2.) The *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1953\** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1954*.

Commencement.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

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\* Act No. 60, 1940, as amended by No. 77, 1946; No. 80, 1950; Nos. 17 and 75, 1952; and No. 70, 1953.

3. Section fifty-five A of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section :—

Deduction from pensions and allowances of certain amounts.

“(2.) Where—

(a) pension, allowance or benefit under the *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947*, or under that Act as amended, has been paid (whether before or after the commencement of this sub-section) to a person in respect of a period and, on a date subsequent to that payment (not being a date before the commencement of this sub-section), a pension under this Act, or pension under this Act at an increased rate, becomes payable to that person or his spouse in respect of that period ; and

(b) the whole or a part of the pension, allowance or benefit paid to that person under the *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947*, or under that Act as amended, in respect of that period would not have been payable if, during that period, he or his spouse had been in receipt of the pension under this Act, or pension under this Act at the increased rate,

the amount referred to in paragraph (b) of this sub-section shall be deducted from any pension, allowance or gratuity payable to that person under this Act in a lump sum or by instalments, as the Commission determines.”.

4. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is repealed and the following Schedule inserted in its stead :—

First Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Section 18.

GENERAL PENSION RATES—DEATH OR TOTAL INCAPACITY.

Column 1.	Column 2.	Column 3.	Column 4.
Rate of pay per day of the Australian mariner.	Pension payable per fortnight to widow on death of Australian mariner.	Total of pensions payable per fortnight to dependants other than widow and children on death of Australian mariner.	Pension payable per fortnight to Australian mariner upon total incapacity.
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Not exceeding 0 19 0 ..	8 0 0	7 0 0	9 0 0
Exceeding 0 19 0 but not exceeding 1 0 0 ..	8 0 0	7 0 0	9 0 0
Exceeding 1 0 0 but not exceeding 1 2 6 ..	8 0 0	7 0 0	9 0 0
Exceeding 1 2 6 but not exceeding 1 7 6 ..	8 0 0	7 0 0	9 4 6
Exceeding 1 7 6 but not exceeding 1 15 0 ..	8 9 0	7 9 0	9 14 6
Exceeding 1 15 0 but not exceeding 2 2 6 ..	9 1 0	8 1 0	10 4 6
Exceeding 2 2 6 but not exceeding 2 10 0 ..	9 13 0	8 13 0	10 13 6
Exceeding 2 10 0 .. .. ..	9 16 0	8 16 0	10 16 0

Application of  
amendment.

5. The amendment effected by the last preceding section applies in relation to payments of pensions falling due on the first pension pay day occurring after the date of commencement of this Act and to all subsequent payments.

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