

CHAPTER 32

RATIONS, RATION ALLOWANCE, FUEL AND LIGHT**SECTION 1 - RATIONS - GENERAL****2296. Detailed Regulations Not Given.***Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

The regulations contained in this Chapter are not intended to give complete instructions on the subject of rations and monetary allowances payable where meals cannot be taken at the normal place of feeding. They include regulations of a general nature with which officers and airmen should be familiar. The complete regulations for the guidance of officers and airmen whose duties involve detailed knowledge of the subject are contained in JSP 456 (Defence Catering Manual) Volume 2 Catering Accounting Regulations and Volume 4 Catering, Retail and Leisure.

2297. DFC Units*Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

Chapter 5 of JSP 456 Vol 2 contains details of those personnel eligible to be fed at Crown expense ie a legitimate charge against the Defence Food Vote on units that still operate under the Daily Food Charge system of messing. This list is not exhaustive and when situations arise where there may be a claim against the MoD Food Vote the justification is to be forwarded through the relevant Front Line Commands to the DFS Team. The Chapter also gives details of who is/are required to pay either the Entitled Casual Meal and Non-Entitled Casual Meal charges.

2298. In-Flight Catering for DFC Units.*Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

The regulations pertaining to In-Flt Catering on units that still operate under the Daily Food Charge system of messing are contained in Chapter 17 of JSP 456 Vol 2.

2299. Reserve Forces/Cadet Organisations*Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

Regulations appertaining to Reserve Forces and Cadet Organisations on units that still operate under the Daily Food Charge system of messing are contained within Chapters 15 and 14 of JSP 456 Vol 2 respectively.

2300. CRL Units*Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

Chapter 2 of JSP 456 Vol 4 contains details of those personnel eligible to be fed at Crown expense ie a legitimate charge against the Defence Food Vote on units which still operate under the DFC system of messing. This list is not exhaustive and when situations arise where there may be a claim against the MoD Food Vote the justification is to be forwarded through the relevant Front Line Commands to the DFS Team.

2301. In-Flight Catering For CRL Units*Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

The regulations for In-Flt Catering on units operating under CRL are contained in Chapter 19 of JSP 456 Vol 4.

2302-2306. (Omitted)**2307. Inspection of Foodstuffs and Condemnations.***Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

The regulations pertaining to the inspection of foodstuffs and condemnations for DFC units are contained in Chapter 11 of JSP 456 Vol 2.

2308. Losses, Deficiencies and Over-Issues.*Sponsor: Air A4 Cat Ops*

Losses of foodstuffs and deficiencies (other than individual item stock check deficiencies within 1 per cent of the value of transactions since the previous stock check, for which adjustment action is to be taken in accordance with current catering regulations) discovered in the accounts of foodstuffs, and over-issues in excess of any authorized carry-over are to be dealt with in the manner laid down in AP 3344 - Lflt 14/26. The procedure for assessing charges and for charging officers and airmen is to follow that laid down, for RAF materiel, in para **2178**.

2309-2326. (Omitted)**SECTION 2 - SOLID FUEL, ELECTRICITY AND GAS****2327. General.***Sponsor: EM2*

(1) This section is not intended to give complete instructions on the subject of solid fuel, electricity and gas; it covers only matters of a general nature with which all personnel should be familiar. Detailed regulations, including accounting procedures are laid down in AP 830, Vol 1 (RAF Supply Regulations) and AP 3222 (RAF Cash and Pay Accounting Instructions (Service-manned Units)) and in DCIs (RAF).

(2) The annual quantities of solid fuels allocated to an individual station are calculated to cover all requirements within the station, except those specifically excluded by the terms of AP 830, Vol 1. Within the UK, arrangements for the provisioning of solid fuels are normally made by DLO.

(3) Electricity and gas are normally supplied through RAF mains to cover all requirements within the station.

(4) COs and other responsible officers are to ensure that all services are adequately supplied with solid fuel, electricity or gas, and that these fuels are used economically.

2328. Supplies to Service Families Accommodation (SFA).*Sponsor: EM2*

(1) When the supply of electricity or gas to a SFA is made direct by a commercial supply undertaking (ie not through station mains), the occupant of the quarter SFA is to make personal arrangements with the undertaking for the supply, and is to pay direct to the undertaking for the services they render.

(2) Supplies of solid fuel from RAF stocks, and supplies of electricity and gas provided through station mains, to the occupants of SFAs, are to be made on repayment unless otherwise authorised. Solid fuel, however, is not normally to be supplied to occupants of SFAs in the UK.

(3) Where, by virtue of his appointment, a single officer is allotted an officer's SFA, his bills for fuel may be paid from public funds within the cash value of the fuel scale of the quarter. Expenditure in excess of the scale is to be borne by the occupant.

2329. Supplies to Other Repayment Consumers.*Sponsor: EM2*

The conditions under which solid fuel, electricity and gas may be supplied to consumers other than occupants of Service Families Accommodation are set out in AP 830, Vol 1. Supplies are in no circumstances to be made to consumers other than those detailed in that publication without the authority of DLO.

2330. Free Fuel Allowance.*Sponsor: EM2*

Officers who occupy official residences and certain pre-war or non-standard types 1 and 2 quarters on an ex-officio basis, or otherwise under obligation, may receive a cash allowance, known as Fuel Supplement, to cover a proportion of their expenditure on heating, lighting and cooking. The allowance is the difference between the cash values, at repayment rates, of the fuel scale of the residence or quarter, and the fuel scale of a post-war SFA which would normally be allotted to an officer of the particular rank concerned. Details of the allowances are promulgated by the HQ PTC ACS Fin Audit. A special scheme is operative in Germany to assist all ranks in SFA and hirings where expenditure on fuel may be exceptionally high.

2331-2341. *(Omitted)*