

## III. RATINGS

Direct entry from shore is made in the following ratings only:—

RATINGS	AGE LIMITS
Boy Seamen.....	16½ to 18 years
Ordinary Seamen.....	18 to 20 years
Stokers.....	18 to 26 years
Engine Room Artificers.....	21 to 28 years
(Fitters, machinists, boilermakers, and copper-smiths)	
Ordnance Artificers.....	21 to 28 years
(Fitters and machinists, trained to ordnance work after entry)	
Electrical Artificers.....	21 to 28 years
(Electrical fitters and machinists or instrument makers with a good general knowledge of electrical engineering, trained in naval electrical work after entry)	
Artisan ratings.....	21 to 28 years
(Shipwrights, joiners, blacksmiths, plumbers, painters)	
Sick Berth Attendants.....	18 to 25 years
(Sick nursing)	
Writers.....	18 to 23 years
(Ledger and correspondence clerks)	
Vietualling Assistant.....	18 to 23 years
(Catering, storekeeping and accounting work)	
Assistant Cook.....	18 to 23 years
(Cooking for the crew)	
Officers' Stewards, 3rd Class.....	18 to 25 years
(Catering, waiting and valeting, for officers, care of officers' cabins)	
Officers' Cook, 3rd Class.....	18 to 25 years
(Cooking for officers)	

Wireless Telegraph and Signal ratings are not entered direct from shore, and applications for entry in these ratings cannot be considered. Vacancies in the Wireless Telegraph and Signal Branches are filled by transfer of suitable ratings serving in the Seaman Branch selected from Volunteers.

## GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates must possess the following qualifications:—

## 1. STANDARD OF HEIGHT AND CHEST MEASUREMENTS

(1) BOYS....	Age	Height	Chest	
	16½-18	5' 2½"	32½"	
(2) MEN....				
	18-19	5' 3"	33½"	33" (If 5' 5" or over)
	19-20	5' 3½"	34"	33½" (If 5' 5" or over)
	Over 20	5' 4"	34½"	34" (If 5' 7" or over)