

NAVY DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDER
No. 409

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The following Executive Order is published for the information and guidance of all persons concerned.

B. F. TRACY,
Secretary of the Navy

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, D.C., February 25, 1893

On and after the 1st day of April, 1893, the pay of the Petty Officers and other enlisted men of the Navy shall be as follows, but his order shall not reduce the pay or rating of any enlisted man during his present enlistment, below, the rate or pay at which he was enlisted, or in which he is now serving, unless he shall be reduced in rating as provided by law or regulations:

RATING	Monthly Pay	RATING	Monthly Pay
Chief Masters-at-Arms	\$65.00	Painters	\$30.00
Chief Boatswains' Mates	50.00	Carpenters' Mates, third class	30.00
Chief Gunners' Mates	50.00	Firemen, first class	35.00
Chief Quartermasters	50.00	Firemen, second class	30.00
Masters-at-Arms, first class	40.00	Shipwrights	25.00
Boatswains' Mates, first class	40.00	Sailmakers	25.00
Gunners' Mates, first class	40.00	Coal Passers	22.00
Quartermasters, first class	40.00	Bandmasters	52.00
Schoolmasters	40.00	Yeomen	60.00
Masters-at-Arms, second class	35.00	Apothecaries	60.00
Boatswains' Mates, second class	35.00	Writers, first class	35.00
Gunners' Mates, second class	35.00	First Musicians	36.00
Quartermasters, second class	35.00	Writers, second class	30.00
Masters-at-Arms, third class	30.00	Writers, third class	25.00
Coxswains (1)	30.00	Musicians, first class	32.00
Gunners' Mates, third class	30.00	Musicians, second class	30.00
Quartermasters, third class	30.00	Buglers	30.00
Seamen Gunners	26.00	Baymen	18.00
Seamen (2)	24.00	Ship's Cooks, first class	35.00
Apprentices, first class	21.00	Ships' Cooks, second class	30.00
Ordinary Seamen	19.00	Ships' Cooks, third class	25.00
Apprentices, second class	15.00	Ships' Cooks, fourth class	20.00
Landsmen (3)	16.00	Stewards to Commanders-in-Chief	45.00
Apprentices, third class	9.00	Stewards to Commandants	45.00
Machinists	70.00	Cabin Stewards	37.00
Chief Carpenters' Mates	50.00	Wardroom Stewards	37.00
Boilermakers	60.00	Steerage Stewards	25.00
Coppersmiths	50.00	Warrant Officers' Stewards	24.00
Blacksmiths	50.00	Cooks to Commanders-in-Chief	40.00
Carpenters' Mates, first class	40.00	Cooks to Commandants	40.00
Plumbers and Fitters	45.00	Cabin Cooks	32.00
Water Tenders	38.00	Wardroom Cooks	32.00
Sailmakers' Mates	40.00	Steerage Cooks	22.00
Oilers	36.00	Warrant Officers' Cooks	20.00
Carpenters' Mates, second class	35.00	Mess Attendants	16.00
Printers	35.00		

(1) Coxswains detailed as Coxswains of steam launches, or as Coxswains to Commanders-in-Chief shall receive five dollars per month in addition to their pay.

(2) Seamen in charge of Holds shall receive five dollars per month in addition to their pay.

(3) Landsmen assigned to duty as Jacks-of-the-Dust or as Lamplighters shall receive five dollars per month in addition to their pay.

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In 1893, the Navy paid men based on their value to the service and not on their classification. Machinist Chief Petty Officers were paid \$70 a month. All other chief petty officers were paid between \$50 and \$65 depending on their perceived value to the navy. This practice continued until the early twentieth century, when a new pay system was established that based monthly pay on classification.

U.S. NAVY REGULATION CIRCULAR No. 1

NAVY DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C., MARCH 13, 1893

The following classification of petty officers and enlisted men in the Navy, and of the noncommissioned officers, musicians, and privates in the Marine Corps, is hereby adopted, to take effect on and after April 1, 1893:

CLASSIFICATION

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER

SEAMAN BRANCH	ARTIFICER BRANCH	SPECIAL BRANCH	MARINES
Chief Master-at-Arms Chief Boatswain's Mate Chief Gunner's Mate Chief Quartermaster	Machinist Chief Carpenter Mate	Yeomen Apothecaries	Sergeants Major First Sergeants in charge of guard
PETTY OFFICER, FIRST CLASS			
Master-at-Arms, 1st Class Boatswain's Mate, 1st Class Gunner's Mate, 1st Class Quartermaster, 1st Class Schoolmaster	Boilermakers Carpenter Blacksmith Plumbers and Fitters Sailmakers Mate Carpenters Mate, 1st Class Water Tender	First Musician Writers, 1st Class	First Sergeant
PETTY OFFICER, SECOND CLASS			
Master-at-Arms, 2d Class Boatswain's Mate, 2d Class Quartermaster, 2d Class	Carpenters Mate, 2d Class Printers Oilers	Writers, 2d Class	Sergeants
PETTY OFFICER, THIRD CLASS			
Master-at-Arms, 3d Class Coxswain Gunner's Mate, 3d Class Quartermaster, 3d Class	Carpenters Mate, 3d Class Painters	Writers, 3d Class	Corporals

On March 13, 1893, U.S. Navy Regulation Circular No. 1 established the classification of Chief Petty Officer. Initially, only eight ratings were included in the chief petty officer classification.

1893 Rating Badges and Insignia for Chief Petty Officers



1893 Chief Master at Arms rating badge for white clothing. This style was worn by Chief Master at Arms from 1893 through 1894.



1893-1894 Chief Petty Officer rating badge without a specialty mark for white clothing. A specialty mark was added depending on the rate. The eagle was white for blue clothing.



1893 Chief Petty Officer cap device worn by chief petty officers from 1893-1897. The same device was worn by first class petty officers prior to the establishment of the Chief Petty Officer rating in 1893.