

Ground Radio
HMS Seahawk

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THE FLEET CHIEF PETTY OFFICER - EQUALITY OF STATUS

1. The Fleet Chief Petty Officer has been in the service now for four years. The introduction was not trouble free and significant discontent still remains particularly regarding relative equality of status with Warrant Officers in the Royal Marines, Army and Royal Air Force. Such inequality is best summarised at Annex A.
2. It is therefore requested that representation be made regarding the unfavourable position of the Fleet Chief Petty Officer.

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SUBJECT	ARMY	R&F	ROYAL MARINES	RN
Title	Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	Fleet Chief Petty Officer
Type of Job	Section Officers eg MT Officer	Section Officers or SE Officer	Section Officers or Victualling Officer	Selected CPOs Billots
Uniform	Officer's Style Quality & Additions	Officer's Style & Quality	Own Style Officer's Quality & Additions	CPOs Style & Quality
Cap and Cap Badge	Officer's Cap & Badge	Officer's Style Cap with different peak & distinctive badge	Officers Cap & Badge	Enlarged CPOs Cap Badge Not Distinctive
Access to a Commission through Warrant Rank	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Accommodation	Superior Accommodation in Sgts Mess Warrant Officer's M's	Superior Accommodation if available Warrant Officer's M's	Single Officer's Cabin Onboard	Not luck Onboard
Fifth Five	Not Compulsory 6 months notice	Not Compulsory 6 months notice	Not Compulsory 6 months notice	Compulsory 18 months notice