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BRITISH GUIANA

REGULATIONS

MADE UNDER

THE OVERSEAS SERVICE AGREEMENT ORDINANCE, 1961,  
(No. 27 of 1961).

UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE OVERSEAS SERVICE AGREEMENT ORDINANCE, 1961. THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Overseas Service Agreement Regulations, 1961.

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“child” means the son or daughter of an officer, including a stepson, a stepdaughter, adopted son or adopted daughter, not having passed his or her nineteenth birthday and being unmarried and wholly dependent upon the officer;

“country of origin” means the country declared to the satisfaction of the Governor and the Secretary of State by the officer at the time of his appointment to the public service as being his country of origin;

“officer” means a designated officer as defined in the agreement contained in the schedule to the Overseas Service Agreement Ordinance, 1961;

“tour” means a period during which an officer has served in British Guiana counting from the date of assumption of duty on first appointment or resumption of duty after vacation leave, until the date of departure on leave, including any period of casual or sick leave even if spent outside British Guiana;

“vacation leave” means leave with full salary following a tour.

**EDUCATION ALLOWANCE**

3. An officer shall receive an education allowance at the following rates or such other rates as may from time to time be prescribed by the Governor acting in his discretion:—

- (i) in respect of children at boarding school in the United Kingdom:
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| For the first child . . . . .                     | £150 per annum  |
| For the second child . . . . .                    | £175 per annum  |
| For the third and each subsequent child . . . . . | £200 per annum; |
- (ii) in respect of children at boarding school in any other country outside British Guiana approved by the Governor **in his discretion:**  
At rates to be prescribed by the Governor in his discretion;

- (iii) in respect of children attending a day school and staying with a guardian in the United Kingdom or in the country of origin of the officer or in any other country outside British Guiana approved by the Governor in his discretion:—

For each child. . . . . £50 per annum;

- (iv) in respect of children resident in British Guiana with their parents and receiving full time education in British Guiana:—

The actual cost of school fees for each child subject to a maximum of such sum as the Governor with the concurrence of the Secretary of State may prescribe:

Provided that:—

- (a) the allowances under paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this regulation shall be payable in respect of children who are between their eighth and nineteenth birthdays on the first day of the term in respect of which the allowance is claimed;
- (b) the allowances in paragraphs (iii) and (iv) of this regulation shall be payable in respect of children who are between their fifth and nineteenth birthdays on the first day of the term in respect of which the allowance is claimed;
- (c) the allowance under paragraph (iii) of this regulation shall not be paid when a child is staying with its mother; and
- (d) no allowance shall be paid in respect of any child not receiving full-time education.

#### VACATION LEAVE

4. The following provisions shall apply to the granting of vacation leave to an officer:—

- (i) an officer may earn vacation leave at the rate of five days in respect of each completed month of resident service in British Guiana;
- (ii) subject to the provisions of paragraph (iv) of this regulation, the minimum tour of an officer shall be twenty-four months, and the maximum tour shall be thirty-six months, of resident service in British Guiana:

Provided that the Governor may as an exceptional measure direct that an officer shall serve longer than a maximum tour if necessary in the public interest;

- (iii) on the conclusion of a tour an officer shall ordinarily be granted vacation leave for a period not exceeding six calendar months, provided that vacation leave in excess of six calendar months may be granted:
  - (a) in the case of an officer who, having applied for vacation leave on the completion of a maximum tour, has been directed by the Governor to serve for a longer tour in accordance with the preceding paragraph; and
  - (b) in the case of an officer who, not having been granted the full amount of vacation leave for which he is eligible, or who having been recalled from leave in the public interest, has been permitted

by the Governor in his discretion to carry forward the period of vacation leave not granted or unexpired so that it may be taken on a subsequent occasion of leave;

- (iv) the Governor in his discretion may grant an officer vacation leave before completion of a minimum tour —
- (a) on medical grounds;
  - (b) on the ground of urgent private affairs;
  - (c) on the ground of public interest;
  - (d) prior to retirement.

5. An officer who is granted vacation leave in accordance with regulation 4 shall, in addition, be granted leave with full pay for the period of his travel between British Guiana and the country where the leave is to be spent, subject to a maximum period of twenty-one days in each direction. The period (not exceeding seven days) spent at transshipment points for the purpose of making ship or air connections shall count as part of the period of the travel.

### PASSAGES

6. (1) An officer shall be granted the following passages —
- (i) on first appointment, a passage between any address notified by the officer in his country of origin or in any other country in respect of which the cost of such passage is not greater than the cost of an equivalent passage from his country of origin or, if he is being transferred from the service of the Government of some other territory and is residing in that territory, his normal place of residence in that territory, and the place where he is to reside on first taking up appointment in British Guiana;
  - (ii) on the completion of each tour and on the termination of service of an officer, a passage between his normal place of residence in British Guiana and any address notified by him in his country of origin or in any other country in respect of which the cost of such passage is not greater than the cost of an equivalent passage to his country of origin;
  - (iii) on resumption of duty after vacation leave outside British Guiana, a passage between any address notified by the officer in his country of origin, or in any other country in respect of which the cost of such passage is not greater than the cost of an equivalent passage from his country of origin, and the place in British Guiana where he is to reside on the resumption of his duty;
  - (iv) on any other occasion when the Governor in his discretion considers it reasonable and in the public interest for an officer to be granted leave of absence outside British Guiana, such passage as the Governor may, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, prescribe between such places as may be necessary to enable the officer to take such leave of absence;
  - (v) during each complete period of twelve months of the tour of an officer, reckoning from the date of his departure from his country of origin, one return passage for each child having attained his eighth birthday but not having passed his nineteenth birth-

day, of the officer in respect of whom an education allowance referred to in regulation 3 is being paid, from the place at which the child is being educated outside British Guiana (being a place in the United Kingdom, the country of origin of the officer, or any other country which is approved by the Governor with the concurrence of the Secretary of State) to the normal place of residence of the officer in British Guiana or, if this is not more expensive, at the option of the officer, one return passage in each such complete period for the wife of such officer between the normal place of residence of the officer in British Guiana and any place notified by him in the country in which any such child is being educated as aforesaid:—

Provided that where a passage referred to in this sub-paragraph is provided for any child, no other passage shall be provided for that child in the same period of twelve months.

(2) In sub-paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) of the preceding paragraph, a passage shall be for travel by a route prescribed by the Governor, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, for the officer, his wife and children not exceeding a total of six persons.

(3) Unless the Governor otherwise directs with the concurrence of the Secretary of State —

- (i) the oversea travel element of a passage shall be by sea or air not exceeding the cost of an economy class air passage;
- (ii) the overland travel element of a passage shall be by the cost of second class rail travel or its equivalent to the place of embarkation for oversea travel and from the place of disembarkation after oversea travel.

(4) The grant of passages under this regulation for the purpose of vacation leave is subject to the condition that an officer shall spend not less than three months of his vacation leave outside British Guiana:

Provided that the Governor in his discretion may in special circumstances waive the enforcement of this condition.

Made in Council this 16th day of August, 1961.

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