CHAPTER 12 - OPERATIONAL RATION PACKS & SURVIVAL RATIONS

1201. General Instructions. Full information regarding the types of Operational Ration Packs (ORP) available, including contents and ordering instructions are detailed in JSP 456 Pt.2 Vol 1, Ch 8. ORP is to be held on a unit’s miscellaneous stores account or retained as stock as follows:

   a. As an operational reserve, when authorised by FLC.
   b. When drawn in advance of training or operational requirements.
   c. Under no circumstances is ORP to be returned back to the Bicester Depot without prior approval from DP.

1202. Accounting.

   a. Each ORP type is to be accounted for separately by individual variant. Should there be a requirement to write-down/off ORP the special rates published annually by DP are to be used.
   b. For accounting purposes, 10 man ORP is to be charged at 60% of the DMR in force, Single Meal Ration is to be charged at 35% of the DMR in force and 24 Hr ORP is to be charged at the full DMR in force.
   c. Small Groups. When the feeding strength of a small group does not equate to the number of rations in a pack, then the ORP most appropriate and cost effective to the requirement is to be used e.g. 1 x 10 Man ORP is to be issued to 3 men for 3 days. Write-off is to take place on the Issue Voucher (IV) and the monetary value of the issue is to be debited against the exercise account.
   d. ORP and their open components that have not been consumed and have been returned to unit lines must either be taken back onto account by CRV and cross-referenced to the original IV or they are to be disposed of in accordance with unit disposal instructions (JSP 886 Volume 6, Part 4 refers¹). ORP are not to be gifted or re-sold under any circumstances.

1203. Issue of ORP Stocks. Issue of stocks is controlled by DP. ORP will normally be issued for training exercises in accordance with annual authorised allocations and operations on instructions from PJHQ or FLCs. Instructions on the demanding and issuing are contained in the JSP 886 Volume 6, Part 4².

1204. Operational Ration Heater³ The Operational Ration Heater (ORH) is designed for individual use in field conditions and consists of a folding stove and a detachable windshield. In terms of fuel source the ORH is not supplied with fuel tablets, however each 24 hour fuel pack contains 6 fuel tablets, additional fuel tablets can be demanded separately.

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1205. ORP – Issues for Exercises. If there is a requirement to issue ORP, the following procedure is to be followed:

   a. All ORP issued is to be treated as Crown Issues and removed from charge as such.
   b. LOs are to counter sign all paperwork to authorise the issue.

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³ DIN Operational Ration Heater – 2016DIN04-032
1206. **Submarine Survival Rations (SSR).** When demanding SSR on MJDI the following statement is to be inserted in to the special instructions field:

"SUBMARINE SURVIVAL RATIONS"

When SSR are delivered to the unit, they are to be bought on charge on MJDI and Asset Adjusted off the Main Account (reason for issue – OTH ISS). The Senior Logician (CS) is to take the rations on charge using TRICAT annotating the U010 GSA Transaction Number.

1207. **Write Down – Overseas Theatres.** Where ORP is issued to Overseas Theatres in bulk for use by exercising troops, it is to be ordered through the relevant Service HQ. Should any of this ORP not be consumed due to occurrences such as exercise cancellations or that it is classified EO on the monthly ORP Consumption Dates Letter then it may have to be reduced in price and written down. Where this is the case, Overseas Theatres are to contact their Service HQ for authority to Write Down the rations to £0.01p per ration in order that they can be written off and disposed of. Under no circumstances are any rations to be returned to UK.

1208. **Other areas.** In exceptional circumstances, units in other areas who encounter problems with excess ORP amounts that they have not been able to consume due to Operational commitments, may request Write Down authority. In both instances the following information is required by their Service HQ:

a. Quantity of ORP.
b. Pack date of ORP.
c. Unit UIN and Title.
d. Reason for write down.

**SUPPLEMENTS**

1209. **ORP Supplements.**

a. **10 Man ORP.**

   (1) **On Operations.** Depending on the operational scenario, supply lines, time and other factors, DP will supply dietary supplements whilst units are being fed 100% 10 Man ORP. These supplements, when supplied, will be "pushed" to units. The ORP is to be debited to the Catering Account at the Operational Daily Messing Rate (ODMR) as promulgated. Supplements "pushed" will be accounted for centrally and are not to be debited against the catering account. Once a core supply of fresh rations has been established, no dietary supplements will be authorised with ORP.

   (2) **On Exercise.** When units are on 10 Man ORP from Day 1, they are to claim the full Exercise (Field) Daily Messing Rate (E(F)DMR) and charge the 10 Man ORP at 60% of the E(F)DMR. The remaining 40% of the E(F)DMR is to be used to supplement the 10 man ORP with fresh rations.

b. **24 Hr ORP.** When Units are on 24 Hr ORP, no supplements are to be claimed.

**BREAD**
1210. **Purchase of Bread for ORP.** Bread should be ordered and accounted for in the same way as any other PFM IP supplied commodity.

1211. **Local Purchase.** When parties of troops on 10 Man ORP are exercising outside areas supplied by the MOD Food Supply Contractor, bread may be purchased locally and the bill processed through Imprest as follows:

   a. The amount of bread required is to be assessed in accordance with the entitlement to the nearest whole loaf. Imprest should pay the bill locally using RA Code PAA 002, Local Project Code **S900574300** supported by the form shown at Annex A. The form is to be completed in duplicate, the original being used to support the Imprest account and the duplicate to be retained with the exercise account.

   b. The expenditure on local purchased bread entitlement, at Annex A, is to be entered on the ration account as a debit. A Miscellaneous Credit is to be entered for the difference between the bread element and the total expenditure on local purchased bread. Where the total weight purchased exceeds the entitlement (rounded up to the nearest loaf) the difference is to be made good from non-public funds.

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CHAPTER 12 Annex A – BREAD PURCHASED FROM LOCAL SOURCES

Unit:

Exercise Name:

Period of Exercise:

From:

To:

Total number of operational rations consumed:

Entitlement

Rations consumed x 241 grams:  

Rounded up to the nearest loaf:  

Total weight purchased:  

Expenditure

Receipted bills attached:  

Total Expenditure (shown as a Miscellaneous Credit on the Ration Account):

Note:

1. Excess expenditure to be made good from non public funds.

CERTIFICATE

1. I certify that the above details are, to the best of my knowledge correct.

Date: ............Name: ............Rank: ............Signature: ............OC Unit