

## 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 [Defence Fulfilment Centre](#) without prior approval from DP; refer to [Defence Logistic Framework \(DLF\): Returns ORP](#).

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<sup>1</sup>. 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 [DLF](#)<sup>2</sup>.

1204. **Operational Ration Heater**<sup>3</sup> 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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<sup>1</sup> DLF: [ORP – Identify Item for Disposal](#)

<sup>2</sup> DLF: [Demand - ORP](#).

<sup>3</sup> DIN Operational Ration Heater – 2016DIN04-032

- c. Personnel in receipt of ORP are to be moored to field conditions on Form S71 and the appropriate meal/meals are not to be claimed by the Senior Logisticians (CS).
- d. Requests for internal issue of ORP are to be made on Form S156 that is to be authorised by head of the group requiring the rations.

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's are delivered to the unit, they are to be brought on charge on MJDI and Asset Adjusted off the Main Account (reason for issue – OTH ISS). [This process is carried out by the Coxswain.](#)

**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.

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.

1212. **Write-off Action.** Where ORP is issued in support of an operation and/or exercise and is not be consumed due to occurrences such as early departure from theatre or exercise cancellation / reduced duration, then it may have to be written off. Refer to DLF: Losses – Write Off Action for guidance. Under no circumstances are any rations to be returned to UK **once exported.**

1213 – 1299. Reserved.

**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: .....kgs

Rounded up to the nearest loaf: .....kgs

Total weight purchased: .....kgs

**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.
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**CERTIFICATE**

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

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