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WATCH BILL

5-1 GENERAL:-

The Watch Bill designates the watch stations and the personnel assignments for the Port and Sea Watches when the ship is in Condition II or Condition III.

5-2 CONDITION II:-

When Condition II is set there will be two Watch Sections with two guns, No. 2, No. 4, or No. 6, and No. 1, No. 3, or No. 5 manned and ready.

TABLE 5-1 below, shows the ship's organization, by divisions and sections for watch purposes under Condition II. Billet number assignments are in accordance with paragraph 5-5.

TABLE 5-1

DECK DIVISION "D"

FIRST SECTION		SECOND SECTION	
Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number
CBM	D-11	BM1c	D-31
Cox	D-12	BM2c	D-21
Sealc	D-13	GM2c	D-32
Sealc	D-14	Sealc	D-22
Sea2c	D-15	Sealc	D-33
Sea2c	D-34	Sea2c	D-23
Sea2c	D-35	Sea2c	D-24

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5-2 CONDITION II

TABLE 5-1 (cont'd.)

ENGINEERING DIVISION "E"

FIRST SECTION		SECOND SECTION	
Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number
MoMM1c	E-11	CMoMM	E-21
MoMM1c	E-31	MoMM2c	E-22
MoMM2c	E-12	MoMM2c	E-32
EM2c	E-13	EM1c	E-23
EM3c	E-33	MoMM3c	E-24
MoMM3c	E-14	MoMM3c	E-34
F1c	E-15	F1c	E-25
F1c	E-35	F2c	E-26
F2c	E-16		
<u>SHIP'S CONTROL DIVISION "SC"</u>			
RM1c	SC-11	RM2c	SC-21
RM3c	SC-33	RdM3c	SC-24
RdM2c	SC-13	RT2c	SC-32
QM1c	SC-31	QM3c	SC-22
SM2c	SC-12	SM3c	SC-23

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5-2 CONDITION II

TABLE 5-1 (cont'd.)

COMMISSARY & STORES DIVISION "S"

FIRST SECTION		SECOND SECTION	
Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number
Y2c	S-11	SK1c	S-21
SC1c	S-32	SC3c	S-22
StM2c	S-12	StM1c	S-33
		PhM1c	S-31

5-3 PORT WATCH:- (Condition II)

The above division of the crew into two sections will be used for standing watch in port when the ship is in Condition II. Each section will stand a four hour watch in rotation except the dog watch (1600 to 2000) which will be a two hour watch for each section.

Port Watch assignments will be made in accordance with TABLE 5-2 below:

TABLE 5-2

DIVI- SION	RATE		STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II		
ALL	OFFICER		Gangway	Officer-of-the-Deck.
D	CBM	BM1c	<u>DECK</u> General	Police Petty Officer & Security.
D	Cox	BM2c	Gangway	Gangway watch.
D	S2c	S2c	Gangway	Messenger (Reveille to 2000).

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5-3 PORT WATCH:- (Condition II)

TABLE 5-2 (cont'd.)

DIVI- SION	RATE		STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II		
			<u>DECK</u>	
SC	QM1c	QM3c	Bridge & Chart Room	Quartermaster watch.
SC	SM2c	SM3c	Signal Bridge	Signal watch.
SC	RM1c	RM2c	Radio Room	Radio watch.
SC	RM3c	RT2c	Radio Room	Standby operator - repairs.
SC	RdM2c	RdM3c	Radar Room	Radar watch.
			<u>ENGINE ROOM</u>	
E	MoMM1c	CMoMM	Engine Room	In charge.
E	MoMM2c	MoMM2c	Engine Room	Cleanliness & repair.
E	MoMM3c	MoMM3c	Engine Room	Cleanliness & repair.
E	EM2c	EM1c	Engine Room & General	Distribution board, generators; maintenance of electrical equipment.
			<u>SPECIAL DETAILS</u>	
S	Y2c	SK1c	Ship's Office	Regular.
S	SC1c	SC3c	Galley	Regular.
S	StM2c	StM1c	Wardroom	Regular.
D	S2c	S2c	Galley	Mess cook.
E	F1c	--	Galley	Mess cook.

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5-3 PORT WATCH:- (Condition II)

TABLE 5-2 (cont'd.)

DIVISION	RATE		STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II		
<u>SPECIAL DETAILS</u>				
S		PhMlc	Hospital Room	Regular.
<u>GUN CREWS</u>				
D	Slc	GM2c	Gun Nos. 1,3, or 5	Gunner.
E	Flc	F2c	Gun Nos. 1,3, or 5	Range setter, loader and talker.
D	Slc	Slc	Gun Nos. 2,4, or 6	Gunner.
E	F2c	Flc	Gun Nos. 2,4, or 6	Range setter, loader and talker.
<u>REPAIR PARTY</u>				
E	MoMMlc	MoMM2c	Ramp Control Room	Damage Control
E	EM3c	MoMM3c	Ramp Control Room	Damage Control.
D	S2c	Slc	Forward	Damage Control.

5-4 SEA WATCH:- (Condition II)

Sea Watches will be stood on the two section plan as used for Port Watch discussed above. Each section will stand a four hour watch in rotation except for the dog watch (1600 to 2000) which will be a two hour watch for each section.

Sea Watch assignments will be made in accordance with TABLE 5-3 following:

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5-4 SEA WATCH: - (Condition II)

TABLE 5-3

DIVI- SION	RATE		STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II		
ALL	OFFICER		Pilot House or Conn. <u>BRIDGE</u>	Officer of the Deck.
D	CBM	BM1c	Bridge	B.M. of the Watch.
D	S2c	S1c	Pilot House	Steersman.
SC	RM3c	RT2c	Pilot House	Annunciators.
SC	QM1c	QM3c	Bridge	Quartermaster watch.
SC	SM2c	SM3c	Signal Bridge	Signal watch.
D	S2c	S2c	Bridge	Lookout & telephones.
SC	RM1c	RM2c	Radio Room	Radio watch.
SC	RdM2c	RdM3c	Radar Room	Radar watch.
<u>ENGINE ROOM</u>				
E	MoMM1c	CMoMM	Engine Room	In charge & starboard throttle.
E	MoMM2c	MoMM2c	Engine Room	Port throttle.
E	MoMM3c	MoMM3c	Engine Room	Oiler; also makes hourly inspections of steering engine & spring bearings.
E	EM2c	EM1c	Engine Room & General	Distribution board & generators; maintenance of electrical equipment.

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5-4 SEA WATCH:- (Condition II)

TABLE 5-3 (cont'd.)

DIVI- SION	RATE		STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II		
<u>SPECIAL DETAILS</u>				
S	Y2c	SK1c	Ship's Office	Regular.
S	SC1c	SC3c	Galley	Regular.
S	StM2c	StM1c	Wardroom	Regular.
S	S2c	S2c	Galley	Mess cook.
E	Flc	--	Galley	Mess cook.
S		PhM1c	Hospital Room	Regular.
<u>GUN CREWS</u>				
D	S1c	GM2c	Gun Nos. 1,3, or 5	Gunner.
E	Flc	F2c	Gun Nos. 1,3, or 5	Range setter, loader and talker.
D	S1c	S1c	Gun Nos. 2,4, or 6	Gunner.
E	F2c	Flc	Gun Nos. 2,4, or 6	Range setter, loader and talker.
<u>REPAIR PARTY</u>				
D	Cox	BM2c	Forward	Damage Control. (In Charge)
E	MoMM1c	MoMM2c	Ramp Control Room	Damage Control.

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5-4 SEA WATCH:- (Condition II)

TABLE 5-3 (cont'd.)

DIVISION	RATE		STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II		
E	EM3c	MoMM3c	Ramp Control Room	Damage Control.

5-5 CONDITION III:-

When Condition III is set, there will be three watch sections and no battle stations will be manned.

TABLE 5-4 below, shows the ship's organization by divisions and sections for watch purposes under Condition III. As indicated on this table each man is assigned a number, the letter of which designates his division, the first figure his section, the second figure his billet number. Except for berth and locker assignments, (see Chapter 7 - "Berthing and Locker Bill"), his assignment to all stations on board ship will be in accordance with this billet number.

TABLE 5-4

DECK DIVISION "D"

FIRST SECTION		SECOND SECTION		THIRD SECTION	
Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number
CBM	D-11	BM2c	D-21	BM1c	D-31
Cox	D-12	Sealc	D-22	GM2c	D-32
Sealc	D-13	Sea2c	D-23	Sealc	D-33

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5-5 CONDITION III:-

TABLE 5-4 (cont'd.)

DECK DIVISION "D"

FIRST SECTION		SECOND SECTION		THIRD SECTION	
Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number
Sea1c	D-14	Sea2c	D-24	Sea2c	D-34
Sea2c	D-15		D-25	Sea2c	D-35
	D-16		D-26		D-36
	D-17		D-27		D-37
	D-18		D-28		D-38
<u>ENGINEERING DIVISION "E"</u>					
MoMM1c	E-11	CMoMM	E-21	MoMM1c	E-31
MoMM2c	E-12	MoMM2c	E-22	MoMM2c	E-32
EM2c	E-13	EM1c	E-23	EM3c	E-33
MoMM3c	E-14	MoMM3c	E-24	MoMM3c	E-34
F1c	E-15	F1c	E-25	F1c	E-35
F2c	E-16	F2c	E-26		E-36
	E-17		E-27		E-37
	E-18		E-28		E-38
<u>SHIP'S CONTROL DIVISION "SC"</u>					
RM1c	SC-11	RM2c	SC-21	SM2c	SC-31
QM1c	SC-12	QM3c	SC-22	RT2c	SC-32

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5-5 CONDITION III:-

TABLE 5-4 (cont'd.)

SHIP'S CONTROL DIVISION "SC"

FIRST SECTION		SECOND SECTION		THIRD SECTION	
Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number	Rate	Billet Number
RdM2c	SC-13	SM3c	SC-23	RM3c	SC-33
	SC-14	RdM3c	SC-24		SC-34
<u>COMMISSARY & STORES DIVISION "S"</u>					
Y2c	S-11	SK1c	S-21	PhM1c	S-31
StM2c	S-12	SC3c	S-22	SC1c	S-32
	S-13		S-23	StM1c	S-33
	S-14		S-24		S-34
Total	16		16		16

5-6 PORT WATCH:- (Condition III)

The above division of the crew into three sections will be used for standing watch in port. There will be a Duty Section on duty and a Relief Section on call at all times. A days duty in port will extend from noon of one day to noon of the next day. TABLE 5-5 below is suggested as an example for the rotation of Duty and Relief Sections.

One ship's officer will be designated as the Duty Officer for each 24 hour day. He will be the Officer of the Deck and this duty will extend from noon of one day to noon of the next day.

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5-6 PORT WATCH:- (Condition III)

TABLE 5-5

FIRST WEEK							
DAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
Duty Section	1	3	2	1	3	2	3
Relief Section	3	2	1	3	1	3	2
SECOND WEEK							
DAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
Duty Section	2	1	3	2	1	3	1
Relief Section	1	3	2	1	2	1	3
THIRD WEEK							
DAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
Duty Section	3	2	1	3	2	1	2
Relief Section	2	1	3	2	3	2	1

The Port Watch assignments, in so far as it is possible, will be detailed from the Duty Section. If conditions arise where additional watch assignments are required they will be detailed from the Relief Section.

Normally the Port Watch assignments will be made in accordance with TABLE 5-6 following:-

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TABLE 5-5

FIRST WEEK							
DAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
Duty Section	1	3	2	1	3	2	3
Relief Section	3	2	1	3	1	3	2
SECOND WEEK							
DAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
Duty Section	2	1	3	2	1	3	1
Relief Section	1	3	2	1	2	1	3
THIRD WEEK							
DAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
Duty Section	3	2	1	3	2	1	2
Relief Section	2	1	3	2	3	2	1

The Port Watch assignments, in so far as it is possible, will be detailed from the Duty Section. If conditions arise where additional watch assignments are required they will be detailed from the Relief Section.

Normally the Port Watch assignments will be made in accordance with TABLE 5-6 following:-

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TABLE 5-6

DIV.	RATE			STATION	DUTIES	DURATION
	SEC. I	SEC. II	SEC. III			
ALL	OFFICER			Gangway DECK	Officer of the Deck.	Day(1200-1200).
D	CBM	BM2c	BM1c	General	Police Petty Officer.	Day(1200-1200).
D	Cox	S1c	S1c	Gangway	Gangway watch.	4 hour watches. (1200-1200).
D or SC	S1c	QM3c	GM2c	Gangway	Gangway watch.	
D	S1c	S2c	S2c	Gangway	Messenger.	4 hour watches. (reveille to 2000)
D&E	F2c	F2c	S2c	General	Security watch.	4 hour watches. (2000 to reveille)
SC	QM1c	SM3c	SM2c	Signal Bridge	Signal watch.	Day(1200-1200).
SC	RM1c	RM2c	RM3c	Radio Room	Radio watch.	Day(1200-1200).
SC	RdM2c	RdM3c	RT2c	Radar Room	Radar watch.	Day(1200-1200).
E	MoMM1c	CMoMM	MoMM1c	ENGINE ROOM Engine Room		In charge. Day(1200-1200).

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5-6 PORT WATCH:- (Condition III)

TABLE 5-6 (cont'd.)

DIV.	RATE			STATION	DUTIES	DURATION
	SEC. I	SEC. II	SEC. III			
				<u>ENGINE ROOM</u>		
E	MoMM2c	MoMM2c	MoMM2c	Engine Room	Cleanliness & repair.	4 hour watches. (1200-1200).
E	MoMM3c	MoMM3c	MoMM3c	Engine Room	Cleanliness & repair.	
E	EM2c	EM1c	EM3c	Engine Room and general	Distribution board, generators, maintenance of electrical equipment.	Day(1200-1200).
				<u>SPECIAL DETAILS</u>		
S	Y2c	SK1c		Ship's Office	Regular.	Day(1200-1200).
S		SC3c	SC1c	Galley	Regular.	Day(1200-1200).
S	StM2c		StM1c	Wardroom	Regular.	Day(1200-1200).
D&E	S2c	S2c	Flc	Galley & Messing Compartments	Mess cooks.	Day(1200-1200).
S			PhM1c	Hospital Room	Regular.	Day(1200-1200).
E	Flc		-	General & Engine Room	Cleaning & Maintenance.	Day(1200-1200).

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5-6 PORT WATCH:- (Condition III)

The Port Watch duty list will be made up weekly by the Executive Officer and copies posted on the crew's bulletin boards.

5-7 SEA WATCH:- (Condition III)

Sea Watches will be stood on the three section plan as used for the Port Watch discussed above. The Sea Watch assigns only the personnel necessary for the operation and maneuvering of the ship when steaming in Condition III where the probability of an enemy attack is remote and the protection afforded by accompanying forces eliminates the necessity of manning guns. Under this condition, sea watch assignments normally will be made as shown in TABLE 5-7 below:-

TABLE 5-7

DIV.	RATE			STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II	SEC. III		
ALL	OFFICER			Pilot House or Conn. Sta.	Officer of the Deck.
				BRIDGE	
D	GBM	BM2c	BM1c	Bridge	B.M. of the Watch.
D	Cox	S1c	S1c	Pilot House	Steersman 2 hrs.-- Annunciators 2 hrs.
D&SC	S1c	QM3c	S2c	Pilot House	Steersman 2 hrs.-- Annunciators 2 hrs.
SC	QM1c	SM3c	SM2c	Chart House & Signal Bridge	Quartermaster & Signalmen.
D	S1c	S2c	GM2c	Signal Bridge	Lookout & tele- phones.
E&D	F2c	F2c	S2c	Forecastle	Lookout.

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5-7 SEA WATCH:- (Condition III)

TABLE 5-7 (cont'd.)

DIV.	RATE			STATION	DUTIES
	SEC. I	SEC. II	SEC. III		
				<u>BRIDGE</u>	
SC	RM1c	RM2c	RM3c	Radio Room	Radio watch.
SC	RdM2c	RdM3c	RT2c	Radar Room	Radar watch.
				<u>ENGINE ROOM</u>	
E	MoMM1c	CMoMM	MoMM1c	Engine Room	In charge & stbd. throttle.
E	MoMM2c	MoMM2c	MoMM2c	Engine Room	Port throttle.
E	MoMM3c	MoMM3c	MoMM3c	Engine Room	Oiler; also makes hourly inspections of steering engine & spring bearings.
E	EM2c	EM3c	EM1c	Engine Room	Distribution board generators, etc.
				<u>SPECIAL DETAILS</u>	
S	Y2c	SK1c		Ship's Office	Regular.
S		SC3c	SC1c	Galley	Regular.
S	StM2c		StM1c	Wardroom	Regular.
D&E	S2c	S2c	Flc	Galley	Mess cooks.
S			PhM1c	Hospital Room	Regular.
E	Flc	Flc	-	General & Engine Room	Cleaning & maintenance.

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5-8 DUTIES OF THE WATCH SECTION IN PORT:-

The Officer of the Deck will be up and in uniform from 15 minutes before reveille to 2200. At all other times he will be aboard ship and immediately available. He will be at the gangway for the arrival and departure of all boats, inspection of liberty parties and stores and at such other times as conditions may warrant. When not at the gangway, the Officer of the Deck shall keep the Gangway Watch informed as to his whereabouts. Attention is directed to Naval Regulations, Arts. - 1061 - 1080, as to the responsibilities and duties of the Officer of the Deck.

The Police Petty Officer: is the senior deck petty officer of the section. He is the Officer of the Deck's representative. He will prepare the watch list for his section and submit it to the Executive Officer for approval.

Gangway Watch: shall be in the vicinity of the gangway at all times except when an emergency arises making it necessary that he be elsewhere. He shall represent the Officer of the Deck in his absence.

Messenger: shall be at the gangway except when delivering messages.

Radio Watch: on duty in radio room.

Radar Watch: on duty in radar room.

Signal Bridge Watch: on duty on the signal bridge. When signal watches are secured, available for gangway watches.

Engine Room Watch: on duty in the engine room. In CONDITION III, senior MoMM has the days duty and is in charge of the engine room watch; the other MoMM's and Flc and F2c stand 4 hour watches.

Electrician's Mate: Engine room and maintenance of all electrical equipment on board.

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5-8 DUTIES OF THE WATCH SECTION IN PORT:-

Commissary: this duty is performed by the ship's cooks. All cooks on board shall assist in the preparation of food. The cooks with the duty will be responsible for the early preparations necessary for all meals.

Stewards Mate: on call by the officer's wardroom from reveille until 2200 each day.

Security Watch: the location of this watch will depend upon the existing conditions. If the ship is beached with the ramp down and used as the gangway, the watch will be maintained at the stern. If the ship is alongside a dock or anchored, the watch will be maintained on the forecastle. Whenever the 20MM guns are manned in port, this watch may be secured.

5-9 DUTIES OF THE WATCH SECTION AT SEA:-

- (a) The Steering Engine Room will not be manned under normal conditions. When a casualty occurs to the steering apparatus, the relief steersman should be dispatched there immediately. The Boatswain Mate also should be ordered to proceed there with four hands from the sections off watch to assist in hand steering.
- (b) Radio, Radar and Visual signal assignments will depend on the conditions prevailing. These stations may or may not be manned.
- (c) The data for the ship's log will be obtained and recorded by the Quartermaster or Signaller of the watch under supervision of the Officer of the Deck.
- (d) The Throttleman will take station in the immediate vicinity of the engine control station. He will be in general charge of the Engineering Watch and responsible for the operation and control of all machinery in the engine room. He will operate the engine

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5-9 DUTIES OF THE WATCH SECTION AT SEA:-

- (d) (cont'd.) controls and see that all machinery and equipment is operated in accordance with existing orders. In case of casualty, he will notify immediately the Officer of the Deck and the Engineering Officer.
- (e) The Oiler will be responsible to the Throttleman for the proper operation of all engine room auxiliaries and servicing of all machinery.
- (f) The Distribution Board Operator will be responsible to the Throttleman for the operation of the ship's light and power system, and for the maintenance and repair of all electrical equipment on board.
- (g) The Gunnery Officer (Communications Officer) will prepare a list of the recognition signals for each day, twenty four hours in advance. A copy of the list effective for that day will be kept posted in the chart house and in a conspicuous place on the bridge.
- (h) The MoMM3c, assigned as oiler in the engine room, shall be a roving patrol making hourly inspections of steering engine and spring bearings, reporting conditions to engine room watch.

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