

CLYDE 1863

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- No: 1 The Prisoners must conduct themselves in a respectful and becoming manner to all the Officers on board & they are strictly to obey such orders as I may issue through the Captain of Divisions & Heads of Messes.
- No: 2 The Prisoners must behave themselves in a decent & becoming manner at all times but more especially when Prayers are read or Divine Service performed. Prayers morning and evening weather permitting.
- No: 3 Cursing and all foul language, shouting, quarrelling, fighting, selling, exchanging or giving away clothes are strictly prohibited.
- No: 4 Any person stealing or secreting any of the Mess Stores or any article belonging to the Mess or the Ship will be severely punished.
- No: 5 Prisoners are on no occasion to hold conversation with the Guard or Ship's Company or talk through the bars below.
- No: 6 Each Mess shall have a Captain and it will be the duty of each man in his turn to clean the Utensils, the latter after each meal are to be taken on Deck & thoroughly cleansed before being passed below. The members of each Mess must sit together.
- No: 7 The Captains of Messes are warned that they will be held responsible for the good order & cleanliness of the Messes, they are to see that the men wash themselves every morning & that they attend to them and that there are no stragglers at night & no one sleeping with his clothes on.
- No: 8 Smoking or striking lights below in the Prison, washing clothes or attempting to dry them, will not be allowed on any pretence whatsoever.
- No: 9 The Captains of Messes will receive their provisions in the order of their Messes, they are to tally their pieces of meat & deliver them to the Cooks, they are also to receive Water for their Messes.
- No: 10 Two Inspectors in rotation will be appointed, who will superintend the issue of provisions. A printed copy of the established rations of provisions will be hung up and should they appear of bad quality or deficient in weight they are to submit them for examination to me before they pass the Quarter Deck, after that it will be too late to complain.
- No: 11 The night watch will be set at 8 o'clock and they will be held responsible for the peace & good order of the Prison during the night, and it will be their duty to see that no more than one person at a time is in the Water Closet. Prisoners are warned that if found congregating at the bottom of the ladder leading to the Water Closet, they will be punished. Should anything unusual occur, they are immediately to report to the Sentry at the Gate.
- No: 12 The bedding is to be taken on Deck every morning when the weather will permit. The Captains of Divisions are to see the beds neatly rolled up by 5.30 A.M. after which they are to be handed through the Prison gate to the Upper Deck Crew to be stowed by them & when they are ordered down, they are to be received from the same party.
- No: 13 If at any time a Prisoner has reason to complain of provoking language or treatment from the Ships Company or Guard he is hereby strictly enjoined not to retaliate, but to make the same known to me that the complaint may be investigated.
- No: 14 Each Captain of a Division will have charge of a certain number of Messes, he is to attend to every man in his Division and see that the Prisoners are clean and orderly. The Captains are to attend to the cleanliness of the Prison & check that any impropriety they may witness & to report to me everything they may affect the discipline of the Ship.
- No: 15 The Surgeon Superintendent has to impress upon the minds of the Men that their future prosperity and happiness will depend on their good conduct on board and the report he shall have to make to the Governor of the Colony on arrival.

(Signed) William Crawford R.N.
Surgeon Superintendent.

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