

ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Richmond, Jan. 28, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 8. }

I. Paragraphs 1129, 1130, 1131, 1132, Army Regulations, are hereby revoked.

II. Enlisted men detailed for duty, on account of physical disability, in the city of Richmond, are allowed one dollar and twenty cents per diem as commutation of rations.

III. Commutation of rations of all enlisted men entitled thereto by the Regulations of the War Department, whether on detached or on detailed service, or stationed in a city, with no opportunity of messing, or of the non-commissioned and regimental staff, when they have no opportunity of messing, or of soldiers on furlough, or stationed where rations cannot be issued in kind, or placed temporarily in a private hospital, on the advice of the senior surgeon of the post or detachment, or of ordnance sergeants, or of a soldier who has necessarily paid for his own subsistence, or of a chaplain, is fixed at one dollar per diem, to date from the 1st January 1864.

IV. Enlisted men who have been or may become permanently disabled, or who hold the certificate of a medical examining board to that effect, and who have not been discharged the service, may have their rations commuted at one dollar and twenty-five cents per diem, whether they are in a hospital, private quarters, or on furlough.

V. All commutation accounts will state the length of time, date and amount, for what purpose commutation is claimed, and that it was impracticable to take rations in kind; which facts must be certified to by the commissioned officer under whose orders the soldier was at the time the rations became due.

VI. Commutation of rations in the case of paroled unexchanged prisoners on furlough, who have *just been received* from the federal lines, will be allowed at one dollar per diem, to date from the 1st January 1864.

VII. The following paragraph will be substituted for 1111, Army Regulations:

Issues to the hospital will be on returns by the medical officers, for such provisions only as are actually required for the sick and wounded.

The commuted value of rations for the sick and wounded will be one dollar and twenty-five cents. The ration for hospitals will be the same as that issued to soldiers in the field. If a greater allowance is required of any particular articles, not issued to troops in the field, special requisitions must be made therefor.

VIII. Hospital attendants cannot draw rations from the Subsistence Department, but will have their rations commuted at one dollar and twenty-five cents per diem.

By order.

S. COOPER,  
*Adjutant and Inspector General.*