

Remarks on “Wages for Armament, Military Equipment, and Shipbuilding Workers,  
post-1768 and 1816”

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1. *Gongbu junqi zeli* (Regulations and precedents of the Ministry of Public Works concerning military equipment). 60 chapters, ed. by Liu Quanzhi 劉權之 et al., 1816.

The Ministry for Public Work, in co-operation with the Ministry of War, was responsible for the manufacture of armament and army equipment such as armour, helmets, headgear, flags, uniforms, saddles, and various types of tents. The 1813 regulations in their first half contain specifications of the quality and quantity of materials required for the manufacture of these items. The second half (chap. 43-60) contains the prices of these materials, much as in the *Wuliao jiazhi zeli*, and the wages of the respective artisans. These prices and wages are specified according to the provinces and registered in silver tael.

2. *Qinding Fujian sheng waihai zhanchuan zeli* 欽定福建省外海戰船則例 (Imperially endorsed regulations and precedents on war vessels of Fujian province), after Qianlong 33 (1768). Reprint in Taiwan wenxian congkan 臺灣文獻叢刊 (Collected writings on Taiwan), 125. Taipei: Taiwan yinhang 1961  
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The costs of shipbuilding for the imperial marine and fluvial forces were laid down in great detail in another effort probably initiated by field administrator Chen Hongmou, who had devised the *Wuliao jiazhi zeli*. As in the case of *Wuliao jiazhi zeli*, these editions were published separately for the concerning provinces. The Fujian edition is a fragment; other editions we have found in libraries and catalogues are from Jiangsu, Zhejiang and Hunan.

Further reading:

You Zhanhong, “Lun junqi zeli” 論軍器則例 (A Study of Regulations and Precedents on Weapons and Military Equipment), in *Chinese Handicraft Regulations of the Qing Dynasty*, ed. by Christine Moll-Murata, Song Jianze, and Hans Ulrich Vogel. München: Iudicium 2005, p. 314.