

Defence Force Ordinance, 1954.

Regulations made by the Governor in Council.

O. R. ARTHUR,
Governor.

No. 5 of 1954.

By virtue of the powers vested in him by section 46 of the Defence Force Ordinance, 1954, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, His Excellency the Governor is pleased to make and hereby makes the following Regulations :—

- Short title.** 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Defence Force Regulations, 1954.
- Interpretation.** 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —
 “the Ordinance” means the Defence Force Ordinance, 1954, and any Ordinance amending or substituted for the same;
 “recruit” means any person applying to be a member of the Force.
 Other expressions shall bear the same meaning as in the Ordinance.
- Responsibility of Commandant.** 3. The Commandant shall be responsible for the general management and control of the Force, and all moneys allotted for the establishment, upkeep and training of the Force shall be administered by him.
- Efficiency Decoration and Medal.** 4. Officers and members are eligible for the award of the Efficiency Decoration and the Efficiency Medal respectively, in accordance with the regulations governing the award of the same.
- Military funerals.** 5. Military funerals may, with the permission of the Commandant, be accorded to a deceased officer or member who, at the time of his death, was on the active list of the Force.
- Responsibility for care of Arms, etc.** 6. Every member of the Force shall be responsible for the safe custody and due care of any arms, ammunition, uniform and appointments furnished to him, and shall not, when off duty, wear the uniform or any part thereof, or make use of any of the appointments of the Force.
- Promotion of officers.** 7. The promotion of officers shall be in the discretion of the Governor, upon the recommendation of the Commandant.
- Notification in the Gazette.** 8. Every promotion, transfer, removal, retirement, and the acceptance of an officer's resignation, shall be notified in the Gazette.
- Commissions and enrolment.** 9. No person who is under the age of 18 years and no person who is not certified by a medical officer to be physically fit, shall be commissioned as an officer or enrolled as a member.
- Band boys.** 10. Any person between the ages of 16 and 18 years may be appointed a band boy in the Force.
- Arms, appointments, etc. to be delivered upon discharge.** 11. On being discharged, a member shall deliver up in good order, fair wear and tear excepted, all arms and ammunition issued to him, and also, save in the case provided for by Section 15 (4) of the Ordinance, his uniform and appointments. A member who without

sufficient reason fails to comply with this regulation shall, in addition to any penalty, be liable to pay for the property which he has failed to deliver up.

12. On discharge, a member shall be furnished with a Discharge Certificate by the Commandant, in the form set out in the Schedule hereto. Discharge certificate.

13. Every officer and member shall undergo compulsory training each year as follows — Annual training.

(a) annual weapon training course;

(b) 12 instructional parades (20 in the case of first year recruits) each of two hours duration and such ceremonial parades as may be ordered by the Commandant:

Provided that the Commandant may in his discretion exempt any officer or member from carrying out the whole or any portion of the annual training.

14. (1) To become efficient a member of the Force must comply with the following conditions — Qualifications for efficiency.

(a) attend 12 instructional parades (20 in the case of first year recruits) each of two hours duration;

(b) fire a course of musketry of at least 45 rounds :

Provided that a member shall be deemed to be efficient if he is granted a certificate of efficiency by the Commandant.

(2) Any member who fails to become efficient through his own neglect or omission may be ordered by the Commandant to pay a fine not exceeding £3. Fine for inefficiency.

15. The composition and proceedings of Courts of Enquiry shall be governed, *mutatis mutandis*, by the Queen's Regulations, and the Rules of Procedure made in pursuance of the Army Act, so far as they can be made applicable to the establishment and constitution of the Force, and are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Ordinance which relate to Courts of Inquiry, Offences and Punishments. Courts of Inquiry.

16. Money due from the Government on account of the Capitation Grant shall be drawn by the Commandant, and may be expended only for the purposes and benefit of the Force. Capitation Grant.

17. Any member who fails to comply with or contravenes any provision of regulation 6 or regulation 11 of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and may be ordered by the Commandant to pay a fine not exceeding £3. Penalties.

18. All Regulations made under the Volunteer Ordinance, 1893, and the Defence Force Ordinance, and at present in force under Section 47 of the Defence Force Ordinance, 1954, are hereby revoked. Revocations.
Cap. 19.

Made by the Governor in Executive Council at a meeting held on the 25th day of October, 1954.

W. HIRTLE,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.