



# Armed Forces Act 1981

## 1981 CHAPTER 55

### PART III

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### *Amendments of the Services Acts relating to evidence and proceedings thereunder*

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#### **Textual Amendments**

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**F1** 19 **Officers who can take affidavits and declarations abroad.**

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**20** **Women's services: statutory assimilation and application thereto of certain enactments.**

- (1) Parts I and II of Schedule 3 to this Act shall have effect for the purpose of completing the assimilation for all purposes of the statute law of the women's services

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administered by the Defence Council with the military, naval and air forces of the Crown in or with which their members serve.

- (2) Part III of that Schedule shall have effect for the purpose of applying to the members of Queen Alexandra’s Royal Naval Nursing Service <sup>F2</sup> . . . provisions of the <sup>M1</sup> Armed Forces Act 1966 applicable to ratings in the Royal Navy relating to discharge from service and to false statements made on entry into service.
- (3) The Reserve Forces Act 1980 <sup>M2</sup> shall have effect, and be deemed always to have had effect, with the substitution, in section 156(3) (application of the Act to women as to men), for the words “so far as it relates to the military and air forces” of the words “except so much of it as relates to the Royal Fleet Reserve and Royal Marines Reserve”.

**Textual Amendments**

**F2** Words in s. 20(2) repealed (1.10.1996) by 1996 c. 46, s. 35(2), **Sch. 7 Pt. III**; S.I. 1996/2474, art. 2, **Sch.**

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C1** The text of ss. 2, 3, 4(2), 5, 6(1)(2)(3)(c)(4)(5)(6), 7, 8, 10–12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20(3), 21–23, 24(2), 28(1) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M1** 1966 c. 45.

**M2** 1980 c. 9.

**<sup>F3</sup>21 Clarification of the meaning in the Naval Discipline Act 1957 of “marine forces” and “naval reserve forces”.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F3** S. 21 repealed (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, 31.10.2009 in so far as not already in force) by **Armed Forces Act 2006 (c. 52)**, s. 383(2), **Sch. 17**; S.I. 2009/812, art. 3(a)(b) (with transitional provisions in S.I. 2009/1059); S.I. 2009/1167, art. 4

**22 Members of the armed forces are “employees” for the purposes of the Patents Act 1977.**

- (1) The Patents Act 1977 <sup>M3</sup> shall have effect, and be deemed always to have had effect, with the following amendments (being amendments to secure that members of the armed forces are “employees” for the purposes of that Act).
- (2) In section 42(4), at the end of the definition of “Crown employee”, there shall be added the words “or a person serving in the naval, military or air forces of the Crown.”.
- (3) In section 130(1), at the end of the definition of “employee, there shall be added the words “or a person who serves (or served) in the naval, military or air forces of the Crown”.

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C2** The text of ss. 2, 3, 4(2), 5, 6(1)(2)(3)(c)(4)(5)(6), 7, 8, 10–12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20(3), 21–23, 24(2), 28(1) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M3** 1977 c. 37.

**<sup>F4</sup>23 Inquiries : persons affected who must be given a opportunity to be present and represented.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F4** S. 23 repealed (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, 31.10.2009 in so far as not already in force) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\)](#), s. 383(2), [Sch. 17](#); [S.I. 2009/812](#), art. 3(a)(b) (with transitional provisions in [S.I. 2009/1059](#)); [S.I. 2009/1167](#), art. 4

**24 Abolition of the office of Accountant General of the Navy.**

**<sup>F5</sup>(1)** .....

(2) Accordingly the enactments specified in this subsection which refer to that office shall be amended as follows—

- (a) in sections 6 and 8 of the Naval Agency and Disribution Act 1864 <sup>M4</sup> (registration of certain instruments in the Accountant General’s Office) for the words “in the office of the Accountant General of the Navy” there shall be substituted the words “with the Secretary of State” ; and
- (b) in section 47 of the Greenwich Hospital Act 1865 <sup>M5</sup> (Accountant General to prepare for audit the accounts of the hospital’s property) for the words “The Accountant general of the Navy” there shall be substituted the words “The Secretary of State”.

**Textual Amendments**

**F5** S. 24(1) repealed (22.7.2004) by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 2004 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. 5](#) Group 1

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**C3** The text of ss. 2, 3, 4(2), 5, 6(1)(2)(3)(c)(4)(5)(6), 7, 8, 10–12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20(3), 21–23, 24(2), 28(1) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M4** 1864 c. 24.

**M5** 1865 c. 89.

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**F<sup>6</sup>25 Naval prize cash balance not to include percentage deduction.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F6** S. 25 repealed (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, 31.10.2009 in so far as not already in force) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\)](#), s. 383(2), [Sch. 17](#); S.I. 2009/812, art. 3(a)(b) (with transitional provisions in S.I. 2009/1059); S.I. 2009/1167, art. 4

**26 Payment of military pensions.**

The <sup>M6</sup>Army Pensions Act 1914 (which requires pensions in respect of military service, whether payable under statute or the prerogative, to be paid in advance) shall cease to have effect except in relation to pensions which have been granted before the passing of this Act and which are, at the date of its passing, paid in advance in accordance with that Act.

**Marginal Citations**

**M6** 1914 c. 83.

**F<sup>7</sup>27 Naval and marine pay and pensions: no further publication in London Gazette.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F7** S. 27 repealed (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, 31.10.2009 in so far as not already in force) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\)](#), s. 383(2), [Sch. 17](#); S.I. 2009/812, art. 3(a)(b) (with transitional provisions in S.I. 2009/1059); S.I. 2009/1167, art. 4

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