

# Naval Discipline Act 1957

### **1957 CHAPTER 53**

#### **PART I**

#### ARTICLES OF WAR

Insubordination and similar offences

### 11 Striking superior officer

Every person subject to this Act who strikes or otherwise uses violence to, or offers violence to, his superior officer, whether or not that officer is exercising authority as such, shall be liable to imprisonment for any term or any less punishment authorised by this Act.

## 12 Disobedience or threatening superior officer

Every person subject to this Act who—

- (a) wilfully disobeys any lawful command of his superior officer, (by whatever means communicated to him); or
- (b) uses threatening or insulting language to, or behaves with contempt to, his superior officer,

shall be liable to dismissal with disgrace from Her Majesty's service or any less punishment authorised by this Act.

## 13 Fighting and quarrelling

Every person subject to this Act who—

- (a) fights or quarrels with any other person, whether subject to this Act or not; or
- (b) uses threatening, abusive, insulting or provocative words or behaviour likely to cause a disturbance,

shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or any less punishment authorised by this Act.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

## 14 Obstruction of provost officers

Every person subject to this Act who wilfully obstructs, or wilfully refuses, when called on, to assist, any provost officer, or any person (whether subject to this Act or not) legally exercising authority under or on behalf of a provost officer, shall' be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or any less punishment authorised by this Act.