



Naval Discipline Act 1957

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PART III

PROVISIONS RELATING TO CIVILIANS AND CIVIL AUTHORITIES

Arrest and detention of offenders by civil authorities

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- (1) A constable may arrest without warrant any person whom he has reasonable cause to suspect of being an officer or rating of any of Her Majesty's naval forces who has deserted or is absent without leave.
- (2) Where no constable is available, any officer or rating who is subject to this Act, or any other person, may arrest any person whom he has reasonable cause to suspect as aforesaid.
- (3) Any person having authority to issue a warrant for the arrest of a person charged with crime, if satisfied by evidence on oath that there is, or is reasonably suspected of being, within his jurisdiction an officer or rating of any of Her Majesty's naval forces who has deserted or is absent without leave, or is reasonably suspected of having deserted or being absent without leave, may issue a warrant authorising his arrest.
- (4) Any person taken into custody in pursuance of this section shall as soon as practicable be brought before a court of summary jurisdiction.