
Loss of all toes of one foot	20	
Loss of one phalanx of thumb	10	
Loss of index finger	10	
Loss of great toe	10	
Loss of any finger other than index finger	5	
in the case of any injury not specified above		such percentage of the compensation payable in the case of permanent total disablement as is proportionate to the loss of earning capacity caused by the injury. Such loss of earning capacity shall be determined by the Minister on the advice of the Defence Force Medical Officer.

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DEFENCE (MISCELLANEOUS) REGULATIONS**(SECTION 203)***[Commencement 20th September, 1984]*

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Defence (Miscellaneous) Regulations.

Low flying.

2. (1) For the purposes of section 48 of the Defence Act, flying at less than the height above ground or water level prescribed in paragraph (2), or such other minimum height as shall be laid down by the aircraft operating authority, is prohibited, except —

- (a) when taking off, landing, preparing to land, or making a forced landing;
- (b) when necessitated by the weather;
- (c) when required in connection with exercises involving co-operation from the ground or water;
- (d) when necessitated by the mission;
- (e) when specially authorised by an officer empowered by higher authority to authorise flights; and
- (f) when authorised by, and carried out for training purposes over areas approved by the Minister.

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- (2) The prescribed height shall be —
- (a) in the case of fixed wing aircraft —
- (i) having an all-up weight aver 12,500 pounds — 2,000 feet, and
- (ii) having an all-up weight of 12,500 pounds or less — 1,000 feet; and
- (b) in the case of helicopters — 500 feet.

3. Where a person in custody is committed into civil custody for temporary detention in accordance with section 187(1) of the Act, the orders for commitment and release shall be in the forms set out in the First Schedule and shall be signed by his commanding officer.

Temporary
confinement in
civil custody.
First Schedule.

4. Any matter required by the Act to be promulgated shall be promulgated —

Promulgation.

- (a) by being communicated to the accused; or
- (b) if he cannot be found, in such other manner as may be directed by the confirming authority or reviewing authority, as the case may be.

5. (1) Political meetings shall not be held in any establishment, craft or camp of the Defence Force.

Meetings.

(2) Commanding officers of units shall have authority to prohibit, restrict or regulate the holding of any other meetings within any establishments or camps under their command and the admission of civilians to such meetings.

6. (1) If any person subject to the Defence Act (hereinafter called “the complainant”) thinks that he has suffered any personal oppression, injustice or other ill-treatment, he shall first make an oral complaint in accordance with procedures laid down by the Minister; and if he fails to obtain the redress to which he considers he is entitled, he shall submit a written complaint, in the form set out in the Second Schedule, to his commanding officer.

Redress of
complaints.

Second Schedule.

(2) On receipt of the written complaint the commanding officer shall investigate it and grant redress if he has power, and thinks it appropriate, to do so; otherwise, and in any event if the complainant so requires, he shall forward the complaint with his written comments through appropriate service channels to Commander Defence Force.

(3) Upon receipt of a complaint as forwarded by the commanding officer, the Commander Defence Force may grant such redress as he thinks appropriate and as is within his powers; otherwise, and in any event if the complainant so requires, he shall forward the complaint with his written comments to the Minister.

(4) Upon receipt of a complaint as forwarded by Commander Defence Force, the Minister may grant such redress as he thinks appropriate and as is within his powers; otherwise, and in any event if the complainant so requires, he shall forward the complaint with his written comments to the Security Council for its determination.

Arms and
equipment.

7. The Minister may, subject to the approval of the Minister of Finance, issue instructions for the supply, use and disposal of arms, accoutrement, clothing and other stores including, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, authority and procedure for purchase, reports on and investigations into losses, powers of write-off and the control of arms and ammunition.

Chaplain.

8. There shall be appointed a suitably qualified person as Chaplain to the Defence Force whose duties shall be laid down by the Minister.

Medical Officer.

9. (1) There shall be appointed a suitably qualified person to act as Medical Officer to the Defence Force whose duties shall, subject to sub-paragraph (2) of this regulation and any other Regulations made under the Act, be laid down by the Minister.

(2) Every member of the regular Force who may become ill in The Bahamas shall be accommodated and treated in the Princess Margaret Hospital, or elsewhere, as may be directed by the Medical Officer to the Defence Force or other official medical officer whose duty shall be to give the necessary medical and surgical attendance to every member of the Defence Force free of charge.

Messes, canteens
and recreation.

10. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of any Act to the contrary, it shall be lawful for the Minister to authorise commanding officers to establish and maintain Defence Force messes, canteens and recreation rooms where wine, ale, beer, spirits and goods may be sold by retail without licence.