



Reserve Forces Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 14

PART III

TRAINING AND OTHER DUTIES

Obligatory training

22 Training obligations of members of the reserve forces.

- (1) A member of a reserve force may, in accordance with orders or regulations under section 4, be required by virtue of this section, in any year, to train in the United Kingdom or elsewhere for—
 - (a) one or more periods not exceeding 16 days in aggregate; and
 - (b) such other periods as may be prescribed, none of which shall exceed 36 hours without the consent of the person concerned;and such a person may, while undergoing a period of training under this section, be attached to and trained with any body of Her Majesty's forces.
- (2) Such orders or regulations may, in particular, prescribe different periods under subsection (1)(b) for different forces or parts of a force.
- (3) This section has effect subject to section 23.

23 Power to exempt persons from or relax training obligations.

- (1) Orders or regulations under section 4 may provide for securing that persons of such descriptions as may be prescribed shall be exempted from liability to be required to undergo training under section 22.
- (2) Such orders or regulations may also provide for relaxing, in such cases as may be prescribed, the liability to be required to undergo training under section 22.

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- (3) Officers authorised for the purposes of this subsection by or in accordance with directions of the Defence Council may, in accordance with such orders or regulations—
- (a) exempt any unit or other group of members of a reserve force from liability to be required to undergo training under section 22; or
 - (b) relax that liability in the case of the unit or group.
- (4) A commanding officer may, in accordance with orders or regulations under section 4—
- (a) exempt any member of a reserve force who is under his command from liability to be required to undergo training under section 22; or
 - (b) relax that liability in the case of such a person.

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- Sch. 2 para. 3(2A) inserted by [2003 c. 44 Sch. 3 para. 65](#)