



Army Act 1955 (repealed)

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PART I

ENLISTMENT AND TERMS OF SERVICE

Appointment to corps and transfer from one corps to another

3 Enlistment for general or corps service and appointment to and transfer between corps.

- (1) Recruits may, in pursuance of regulations of [^{F1}the Defence Council] under this Part of this Act, be enlisted for service in particular corps, but save as may be provided by such regulations recruits shall be enlisted for general service.
- (2) The competent military authority shall as soon as practicable appoint a recruit, if enlisted for service in a corps, to that corps, and if enlisted for general service, to such corps as the competent military authority may think fit:

Provided that a recruit enlisted for general service before attaining the age of eighteen years need not be appointed to a corps until he attains that age.

- (3) A soldier of the regular forces may at any time be transferred by order of the competent military authority from one corps to another:

Provided that except while a state of war exists between Her Majesty and any foreign power, or [^{F2}a call-out order under section 52 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 is in force authorising the call out for permanent service of members of the reserve], an order under this subsection shall not be made otherwise than by [^{F1}a member of the Army Board] unless the person to whom the order relates consents to the transfer.

- (4) Where, in pursuance of the last foregoing subsection, a soldier of the regular forces is transferred to a corps in an arm or branch of the service different from that in which he was previously serving, the competent military authority may by order vary the conditions of his service so as to correspond with the general conditions of service in the arm or branch to which he is transferred.

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Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Army Act 1955 (repealed), Section 3. (See end of Document for details)*

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted by [S.I. 1964/488](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. 1](#)
F2 Words in [s. 3\(3\)](#) substituted (1.1.1999) by [S.I. 1998/3086](#), [reg. 9\(2\)](#) (with [reg. 11](#), [Sch.](#))
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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** [S. 3\(3\)](#) extended by [Reserve Forces Act 1980 \(c. 9\)](#), [s. 18\(2\)](#)

Textual Amendments applied to the whole legislation

- F1** Act: the provisions of the 1955 Acts providing for findings of courts-martial to be subject to confirmation and to revision at the direction of the confirming officer cease to have effect (1.4.1997 subject to art. 3 of the commencing S.I.) by virtue of [1996 c. 46](#), [s. 15](#); [S.I. 1997/304](#), arts. 2, 3, [Sch. 2](#)

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