



Armed Forces Act 1976

1976 CHAPTER 52

PART II

TRIAL AND PUNISHMENT OF OFFENCES

Summary punishment

5 Increased powers of summary punishment

- (1) The maximum period of detention that may be awarded to a soldier or airman by his commanding officer under section 78 of the Army Act 1955 or section 78 of the Air Force Act 1955 shall be 60 days; and accordingly, in subsection (3)(a) of section 78 of each Act, for the word "twenty-eight" there shall be substituted the word "60".
- (2) The maximum amount of a fine that may be awarded for an offence, whether or not committed on active service,—
 - (a) by virtue of section 78 of the Army Act 1955 or section 78 of the Air Force Act 1955 (without prejudice to paragraph (b) of the second proviso to subsection (3) of each section (fines for civil offences)), or
 - (b) to an officer (below the rank of lieutenant-colonel or wing-commander), or to a warrant officer, by virtue of section 79 of either Act (under which there is the same maximum),

shall not exceed the amount of the offender's pay for 28 days.