



# Reserve Forces Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 14

### PART I

#### THE RESERVE FORCES

##### *Regulation and organisation*

#### **4 Orders and regulations concerning the reserve forces.**

- (1) Her Majesty may, by order signified under the hand of the Secretary of State, make orders with respect to—
  - (a) the government and discipline of any reserve force; and
  - (b) all other matters and things relating to that force [<sup>F1</sup>(except pay, bounty and allowances)],and including any matter authorised to be prescribed by any provision of this Act or expressed to be subject to orders or regulations under this section.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of any order under subsection (1), the Defence Council may make regulations with respect to any matters relating to any reserve force, being matters with respect to which Her Majesty may make orders under that subsection.
- (3) Orders or regulations under this section may make different provision for different cases (including different forces), and may include such supplementary, consequential, incidental and transitional provisions as appear to Her Majesty or the Defence Council (as the case may be) to be necessary or expedient.
- (4) Regulations under this section may be amended or revoked by an order or further regulations under this section; and an order under this section may be amended or revoked by another order under this section.
- (5) Any order or regulations under this section shall be laid before each House of Parliament after being made.

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### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 4(1)(b) inserted (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, 31.10.2009 in so far as not already in force) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\)](#), s. 383(2), [Sch. 14 para. 26](#); [S.I. 2009/812](#), art. 3(a)(b) (with transitional provisions in [S.I. 2009/1059](#)); [S.I. 2009/1167](#), art. 4

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

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