



Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 1

PART 4

EMPLOYMENT INCOME: EXEMPTIONS

CHAPTER 8

EXEMPTIONS: SPECIAL KINDS OF EMPLOYEES

Armed forces

297 Armed forces' food, drink and mess allowances

- (1) No liability to income tax arises in respect of allowances if—
 - (a) they are payable out of the public revenue to any description of members of the armed forces of the Crown, and
 - (b) the Treasury certifies that they are payable to them instead of food or drink normally supplied to members of the armed forces.
- (2) No liability to income tax arises in respect of allowances if—
 - (a) they are payable out of the public revenue in respect of any description of members of the armed forces of the Crown, and
 - (b) the Treasury certifies that they are so payable as a contribution to the expenses of a mess.

Changes to legislation:

Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003, Section 297 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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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):

- s. 452(2)(aa) inserted by [2013 c. 29 Sch. 23 para. 11](#)
- s. 707A inserted by [2024 c. 3 s. 36\(4\)](#)