



Army Act 1955 (repealed)

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PART II

DISCIPLINE AND TRIAL AND PUNISHMENT OF MILITARY OFFENCES

Desertion, absence without leave, etc.

[^{F1}38 **Absence without leave.**

Any person subject to military law who—

- (a) absents himself without leave, or
- (b) improperly leaves his ship,

shall, on conviction by court-martial, be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or any less punishment provided by this Act.]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 38 substituted by [Armed Forces Act 1971 \(c. 33\), ss. 12\(1\), 78\(4\)](#)

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](#)

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/02/1991. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Army Act 1955 (repealed), Section 38.