



Naval Discipline Act 1957 (repealed)

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PART I

ARTICLES OF WAR

Desertion and absence without leave

17 Absence without leave etc.

- (1) Every person subject to this Act who, . . . ^{F1},—
- (a) absents himself without leave; or
 - (b) improperly leaves his ship . . . ^{F1},

shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or any less punishment authorised by this Act, and to such other punishment by way of forfeiture of pay or other benefits as may be prescribed by regulations made by [^{F2}the Defence Council.]

- (2) . . . ^{F3}

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words repealed by [Armed Forces Act 1971 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 78(4), [Sch. 4 Pt. I](#)
F2 Words substituted by [S.I. 1964/488](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. I](#)
F3 [Ss. 16\(3\), 17\(2\), 26](#) repealed by [Armed Forces Act 1971 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 78(4), [Sch. 4 Pt. I](#)

Textual Amendments applied to the whole legislation

- F1** Act repealed (prosp.) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\)](#), ss. 378, 383, [Sch. 17](#) and the repeal being partly in force, as to which see individual provisions

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/04/1997. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

Naval Discipline Act 1957 (repealed), Section 17 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 18 July 2024.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.