

STATUTORY RULES.

1906. No. 31.

PROVISIONAL REGULATIONS UNDER THE DEFENCE ACTS 1903-1904.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby certify that, on account of urgency, the following Regulations under the *Defence Acts 1903-1904* should come into operation on and from the 1st May, 1906, and make the Regulations to come into operation as Provisional Regulations accordingly.

Dated this seventh day of April, One thousand nine hundred and six.

NORTHCOTE,
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,
T. PLAYFORD.

CADET CORPS.

Regulations.

1. Cadets, not exceeding 20 per cent. of the establishment, may be borne as supernumerary after leaving school provided they come within the cadet age, and in the case of a detachment not being up to its establishment a proportion of cadets who are not attending school may be included in that establishment, on the condition that this would only apply in places where Senior Cadet Corps have not been established.

2. With the approval of the Education Department of the State concerned, detachments may be formed in schools where a teacher is qualified to act as officer in charge pending the appointment of an officer, or, where the services of a Warrant or Non-commissioned Officer of the Instructional Staff are available for drill purposes, and where there are not less than twenty boys who are prepared to obtain the approved uniform, and who are of the prescribed age and height. Senior Cadet Companies may be formed in schools where there are not less than sixty boys over the age of sixteen years and of sufficient physique.

3. No boy shall be enrolled unless 4 ft. 6 in. in height in stockinged feet, and also physically fit. Each boy must have the consent of his parents or guardians to become a member. Commanding Officers will be held responsible that these provisions are strictly carried out.

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4. Cadet Corps shall be inspected once every six months by the Commandant or an officer detailed from District Head-Quarters as may be arranged in each case with the Education Department.

5. The detachments shall be drilled twice a week, each drill not to be less than half-an-hour, or once each week of three-quarters of an hour's duration, the time for the drill to be fixed by the Education Department.

6. The detachments shall be formed into companies and battalions in suitable localities, and should, if possible, assemble for battalion drill not less than four times a year, two of which shall be half-yearly inspections, the dates and hours of parade to be approved by the Education Department.

7. Arms and accoutrements shall be kept in the school, and be used only for drill or rifle purposes. The Head Master shall be held responsible for the preservation of all Government property issued to the Cadet Corps in his school, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

8. No cadet shall use a rifle for any other purpose than parades, drills, or target practices, in each case under the command of an Officer of Cadets or an Officer or Non-commissioned Officer of the Cadet Instructional Staff.

9. Cadets must appear on all occasions either in the authorized uniform, or in purely civilian dress.

10. Officers may be appointed by the Governor-General in Council on the recommendation of the District Commandant, provided that in the case of candidates in the employ of the Education Department the approval of the Department shall have been previously obtained. Officers of Cadets will rank with Officers of the Military Forces, but as junior in their grades but such rank will not entitle any Officer of Cadet Corps to assume command over any officer of another branch of the service. Officers shall provide their own uniform of the regulation pattern.

11. All applications for the formation of detachments must be forwarded through the Commandant for the approval of the Governor-General in Council, in accordance with para. 2.

12. Arms and stores issued by the Government shall be inspected by an Officer or Non-commissioned Officer of the Cadet Instructional Staff at least every six months, and, where there is evidence of neglect or wilful damage, the stores may be at once called in.

13. Every member shall, on demand, deliver up to the appointed person in good order and condition, fair wear and tear only excepted, any Government property which may have been issued to him.

14. An Officer (or a Non-commissioned Officer of the Cadet Instructional Staff) must be present with the Cadets at target practice and exercise the utmost vigilance to prevent accidents, observing that each cadet handles his rifle with the care necessary to prevent the possibility of danger to himself and others. The ammunition must be retained in the possession of the Officer (or Non-commissioned Officer of the Cadet Instructional Staff), only the requisite number of rounds necessary for the practice being handed to each Cadet, and at the conclusion of the practice every precaution must be taken that none remain in their possession. Arms and pouches must be examined before the practice commences, and at the conclusion of the firing at each range, and before leaving the ranges. The Officer (or Non-Commissioned Officer of the Cadet Instructional Staff) in charge will be held personally responsible that all target practices are in every respect regularly carried out, and that the necessary flags, discs, &c., are provided, and in order for use. A Cadet must not be permitted to

15. The appointment of Non-Commissioned Officers and the power in regard to ordinary promotions of Non-commissioned Officers and to reduction to a lower grade or to the ranks will be exercised by the Commanding Officer of the battalion. The power of discharge for misconduct, &c., will also be exercised by this Officer, subject to the approval of the Officer Commanding the Cadets in each State.

16. All correspondence relative to Cadet Detachments shall be addressed to the Officer Commanding Cadets in that State or to the Instructional Staff Officer, as may be arranged by the Commanding Officer, except that Officers Commanding Battalions will correspond direct with District Head-Quarters on matters in connexion with money or stores.

17. *Uniform.*—The uniform of Cadets shall be of a pattern in each State as recommended by the Education Department, and approved by the Military Board. All Cadets must wear the numeral of the battalion to which they belong on the shoulder straps, and a special school badge, not exceeding 1 inch square, on each side of the collar, in front, may be worn.

18. The minimum establishment of a Company except as otherwise approved, shall be—

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| 3 | Lieutenants. |
| 1 | Colour Sergeant. |
| 3 | Sergeants. |
| 4 | Corporals. |
| 2 | Buglers or Drummers. |
| 47 | Cadets, of whom 4 may be Lance Corporals, if required. |

Total 60 of all ranks.

Proportionate numbers in detachments or companies allowed, Officers and Non-commissioned Officers *pro rata* as approved by the Officer Commanding Cadets. Bands may be formed as approved by the Commanding Officer of Cadets in each State.

19. Cadets on leaving the Corps, provided they have been effective for at least one year, shall receive from the Commanding Officer of Cadets a certificate of discharge, specifying length of service and general conduct. Two classes of certificates will be issued:—

- (1) To boys who have been effective for one year.
- (2) To boys who have been effective for two years or more.

20. The various battalions shall be commanded by officers recommended by the Commanding Officer of Cadets after the concurrence of the Education Department and appointed by the District Commandant. Battalion Commanders, if of the rank of captain, may be recommended for the rank of major after three years' service as such, provided that they have passed the required examination. Where a battalion consists of at least four companies, the two senior lieutenants after two years' service, on passing the prescribed examination may, within the establishment, be recommended for the rank of captain. Cadet Officers who were on the Unattached List at the date of the coming into force of these regulations are eligible for transfer to the Active List, subject to the recommendation of the Commanding Officer of Cadets after concurrence of the Education Department.

21. Commissioned Officers unable to maintain an effective detachment, or to remain actively connected with the Cadet Corps, will be placed on the Unattached List of the Cadet Corps. Failing to return to active duty with the Cadet Corps within three years, they will be retired.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A BATTALION OF CADETS.

| Rank. | Personnel | | | | | Total. |
|--|-----------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|
| | Officers | Warrant Officers | Staff-Serjeants and Sergeants | Drummers or Buglers | Rank and File | |
| Detail attached to Head-Quarters— | | | | | | |
| Commanding Officer (Major or Captain) | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Adjutant ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Quartermaster ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Signalling Officer (Captain or Lieutenant) | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Medical Officer ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Regimental Serjeant-Major | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Regimental Quartermaster Serjeant ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 |
| Band Serjeant ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 |
| Band ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 | 21 |
| Total ... | 5 | 1 | 2 | ... | 21 | 29 |
| Detail of a Company— | | | | | | |
| Captain or Lieutenant ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Lieutenants ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Colour Serjeant ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 |
| Sergeants ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 |
| Drummers or Buglers ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 |
| Corporals ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 4 |
| Cadets ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 47 | 47 |
| Total for one Company | 3 | ... | 4 | 2 | 61 | 60 |
| Total for eight Companies | 24 | ... | 32 | 16 | 408 | 450 |
| Add Head-Quarter's detail | 5 | 1 | 2 | ... | 21 | 29 |
| Total ... | 29 | 1 | 34 | 16 | 429 | 609 |

The number of battalions to be maintained in each district shall be -

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|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| New South Wales ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 |
| Victoria ... | ... | ... | ... | 12 |
| Queensland ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 |
| South Australia ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| Western Australia ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Tasmania ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Total ... | ... | ... | ... | 41 |

SENIOR CADET CORPS.

1. Senior Cadet Detachments may be established in such places as may be recommended by the Commandant, or as approved by the Education Department, and must consist of not less than twenty members between the ages of fourteen and nineteen years, who are not attending school, and who must be of the minimum height of 5 ft. 2 in. A room must be available in which the Government property issued to the detachment may be stored, and a guarantee must be obtained from some responsible person that he will be liable for its safe care and custody. The services of a

qualified Instructor as officer in charge must be obtained before the detachment can be recognised. No senior cadet must remain a member after the age of nineteen years.

2. Senior cadets who have served not less than twelve months, are seventeen years of age or upwards, and fulfil the regulations as regards height and physique, may present themselves at the recruits' examination for transfer to any corps of Militia or Volunteers. Every candidate must produce a recommendation from the Commanding Officer of his detachment as to general character, and certifying as to the above-mentioned requirements. Senior cadets so transferred, if passed by the Inspecting Officer, will at once be taken on the strength of the corps provided that they have completed the course of musketry for recruits.

3. Senior cadets on leaving the corps, provided they have been effective for at least one year, shall receive from the Commanding Officer a certificate of discharge specifying length of service and general conduct. Two classes of certificates will be issued—

(1) To those who have been effective for one year.

(2) To those who have been effective for two years or more.

4. The uniform in each State shall be of the same pattern to be approved by the Military Board.

5. When Senior Cadets are transferred to any other branch of the Military Forces, their connexion with the Cadet Corps shall cease.

6. During the month of January in each year the following annual allowance will be paid, subject to the amount being voted by Parliament, viz. :—

| | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Commanding Officer | ... | ... | ... | £10 |
| Second in Command | ... | ... | ... | 6 |
| Medical Officer | ... | ... | ... | 6 |
| Adjutant | ... | ... | ... | 5 |
| Officers in Command of Companies, each | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Lieutenants, each | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Quartermasters, each | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Senior Cadets, each (effective allowance) | ... | ... | ... | 1 |

In order that the above amounts may be claimed, the following conditions must be observed :—

- Each officer must provide his own uniform, of the approved pattern, and must have been appointed to his detachment three months previous to the 31st December.
- The allowance to officers may be stopped or reduced at the discretion of the Commandant if, in the opinion of the Inspecting Officer, the battalion or detachment is not in a satisfactory state.
- Officers in command of detachments must keep a complete record of all drills and rifle practices of their detachments, to be produced at the official inspection, and provide the necessary books showing the amounts received and the expenditure incurred by them on behalf of their detachments.
- No payments will be made to officers of detachments which have been disbanded during the year, or to any officer unconnected with an effective detachment.
- In the event of an officer in command of a detachment being transferred or removed, he shall render to his successor, as officer of the detachment, a true and correct account of all receipts and expenditure up to date, before being relieved

- (f) Every officer in command of a detachment shall sign the approved document, making himself personally responsible for the disbursement of the effective allowance. Effective allowance will not be paid for any cadet who is not effective.
- (g) The effective allowance for officers and cadets, if approved by the Commandant, will be drawn by the Commanding Officer of each detachment, and shall be applied to the supply and maintenance of uniform, expenses incidental to musketry practices, drills, camps, and exercises.
- (h) All claims for effective allowance must be rendered on the forms supplied from District Head-Quarters, and before being paid must be countersigned by the Commanding Officer of Cadets, and approved by the Commandant.

A Battalion of Senior Cadets shall consist of eight Companies; Detail as under:—

| Rank. | Personnel. | | | | | Horses. | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|---------|----------|--------|
| | Officers. | Warrant Officers. | Staff Sergeants and Sergeants. | Drummers or Buglers. | Rank and File. | Total. | Riding. | Drayage. | Total. |
| Detail attached to Head-Quarters— | | | | | | | | | |
| Lieut.-Colonel or Major ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 1 |
| Second in Command ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | | 1 | ... | 1 |
| Adjutant ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | | 1 | ... | 1 |
| Quartermaster ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | | 1 | ... | 1 |
| Medical Officer ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | |
| Regimental Sergeant-Major | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | |
| Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | | ... | ... | ... |
| Orderly-room Sergeant ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | | ... | ... | ... |
| Band Sergeant ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 21 | ... | ... | |
| Band ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 | | 21 | ... | ... |
| Total ... | 5 | 1 | 3 | ... | 21 | 30 | 5 | * | 5 |
| Detail of a Company— | | | | | | | | | |
| Major or Captain ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Lieutenants ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | | ... | ... | ... |
| Colour Sergeants ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Sergeants ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | | ... | ... | ... |
| Drummers or Buglers ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Corporals ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 51 | ... | ... | ... |
| Privates ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 | | ... | ... | ... |
| Privates, as stretcher-bearers | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | | ... | ... | ... |
| Total for one Company | 3 | ... | 4 | 2 | 51 | 60 | ... | ... | ... |
| Total for eight Companies | 24 | ... | 32 | 16 | 408 | 480 | ... | ... | ... |
| Add Head-Quarters Detail | 5 | 1 | 3 | ... | 21 | 30 | 5 | * | 5 |
| Total ... | 29 | 1 | 35 | 16 | 429 | 510 | 5 | * | 5 |

* As required.

The number of Units to be maintained shall be—

- Two Battalions in New South Wales.
- Two Battalions in Victoria.
- One Battalion in Queensland.
- Two Companies in South Australia.
- Two Companies in Western Australia.
- One Company in Tasmania.

GENERAL.

In each State there shall be appointed by the Governor-General in Council, subject to the concurrence of the Education Department and the recommendation of the District Commandant, an Officer Commanding Cadets and an Instructor of Musketry.

The appointment of Officer Commanding Cadets may be of the rank of Lieut.-Colonel, and that of Instructor of Musketry of Major or Captain.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF (OFFICERS).

Teachers who are officers of the Cadet Force of the Commonwealth are eligible for appointment to the Administrative and Instructional Staff of the Cadets, provided they are between the ages of 22 and 35 years at the date of holding the examination, and are certified by a Medical Board as being physically qualified, and subject to passing the prescribed Educational and Military Examinations.

Notice of vacancies will be given by advertisement in all the States and by notice in Military and Cadet Orders. Applications from candidates will be forwarded through their Commanding Officers to the Officer Commanding Cadets of the State, who will state whether the Education Department concurs in the application, and forward same with his recommendation to the District Commandant for transmission to the Military Board.

When forwarding applications District Commandants will, as far as possible, state their opinion of the fitness of each candidate for appointment.

Candidates will be informed of their nomination to undergo the examination prescribed, and should there be more candidates than vacancies, the examination will be competitive.

A successful candidate will be appointed for six months on probation. At the end of this period his appointment may be confirmed on the report of the District Commandant under whom the candidate served, that he has satisfactorily performed the duties of an Officer of the Administrative or Instructional Staff, and is likely to become a suitable Staff Officer.

The subjects and scope of the Educational and Military Examinations shall be as prescribed for the appointment of Officers to the Administrative and Instructional Staff of the Commonwealth Military Forces.

In the event of there not being sufficient candidates forthcoming from the Officers of the Cadet Force to fill any vacancies existing, applications may be invited as prescribed in the Commonwealth Military Regulations for appointment of Officers to the Administrative and Instructional Staff.

Officers of the Cadet Instructional Staff will be eligible for transfer to the Administrative and Instructional Staff, provided that when first appointed they have passed the examination prescribed (*vide* paras. 72 to 78 of C. M. Regulations), and have been confirmed in their appointment.

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF (WARRANT AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS).

Appointments on the Instructional Staff (Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers) will be granted to teachers of the Education Departments of the States, under the following conditions as to age, physical fitness, educational and military qualifications:—

A candidate will not be eligible for appointment on probation unless he is within the ages of 22 and 40 years, and unless he has served for at least three years in the Active Force of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth or in the Cadets, except under special circumstances approved by the Military Board.

Notice of vacancies will be given by advertisement in all the States and by notice in Military and Cadet Orders. Applications from candidates will be forwarded through their Commanding Officers and the Officer Commanding Cadets of the State, who will state whether the Education Department concurs in the application, and forward same with his recommendation to the District Commandant for transmission to the Military Board.

When forwarding applications District Commandants will state, as far as possible, their opinion of the fitness of each candidate for appointment.

Candidates will be informed of their nomination to undergo the examination prescribed, and should there be more candidates than vacancies the examination will be competitive.

Each candidate will be medically examined, either by the Principal Medical Officer or Staff Officer of Medical Services or the medical officer appointed to medical charge of Permanent Troops of his station, of each District, and will not be further tested unless certified to be physically qualified.

The subjects and scope of the Educational and Military Examinations shall be as prescribed for the appointment to the Instructional Staff (Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers) of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth.

Successful candidates will be appointed for six months on probation. At the end of this period the appointment may be confirmed if recommended by the Commandant, and the Commanding Officer under whom the candidate has served certifies that he has satisfactorily carried out his duties as a Non-commissioned Officer of the Instructional Staff and is likely to prove himself an efficient Instructor.

Candidates who pass the examination, but who are not successful in securing an appointment at the time, will be eligible for appointment to any vacancy occurring within twelve months subject to again passing the medical examination, as prescribed.

Non-commissioned Officers of the Cadet Instructional Staff will be eligible for transfer to the Instructional Staff of the Commonwealth Military Forces, provided that when first appointed they have passed the examination prescribed (*vide* paras. 154 to 160 of C. M. Regulation), and have been confirmed in their appointment.