

Defence (Visiting Forces) Amendment (Australia‑Timor‑Leste Defence Cooperation Agreement) Regulations 2024

I, General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor‑General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 11 April 2024

David Hurley

Governor‑General

By His Excellency’s Command

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Defence (Visiting Forces) Amendment (Australia‑Timor‑Leste Defence Cooperation Agreement) Regulations 2024*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | The later of:  (a) the day after this instrument is registered; and  (b) the day the Agreement between Australia and Timor‑Leste on Cooperation in the Field of Defence and the Status of Visiting Forces, done at Canberra on 7 September 2022, enters into force for Australia.  However, the provisions do not commence at all if the event mentioned in paragraph (b) does not occur.  The Minister must announce, by notifiable instrument, the day the Agreement enters into force for Australia. |  |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Defence (Visiting Forces) Act 1963*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Defence (Visiting Forces) Regulations 1963

1 Subregulation 6(5)

Omit “the civilian component of a visiting force of Japan”, substitute “a civilian component of a visiting force of Japan or Timor‑Leste”*.*

2 Subregulation 6(5)

Omit “civilian component of the visiting force”, substitute “relevant civilian component of the relevant visiting force”.

3 Schedule 2

Omit “East Timor”.

4 Schedule 2

After “Thailand”, insert “Timor‑Leste”.