

COMPULSORY VACCINATION, INOCULATION, BLOOD EXAMINATION OR TREATMENT AGAINST ANY INFECTIOUS DISEASE (Continued)

His Excellency the Governor General in Council under and by virtue of the War Measure Act, Chapter 206, R.S.C., 1927, and notwithstanding the provisions of any Statute Order or Regulation, rescinds the provisions of Order in Council F.C.8375, dated 19th August, 1941, and orders as follows:

1. An Officer or soldier of the Canadian Army serving on active service in Canada or elsewhere shall, when so ordered by his superior officer, acting on the advice of the appropriate Army Medical Authorities, submit to vaccination, inoculation or treatment against any infectious disease and to blood examination, as the case may be.
2. The unreasonable refusal by an officer or soldier of the Canadian Army serving on active service to submit to such vaccination, inoculation, treatment or blood examination, as the case may be, when ordered so to do as aforesaid, shall be deemed to be disobedience of a lawful command given by his superior officer and to constitute an offence against subsection two of section nine of the Army Act and the said subsection shall, as part of the law of Canada, be construed accordingly.
3. It shall be a defence to any prosecution for an offence under this Order to prove that such vaccination, inoculation treatment or blood examination is contrary to the doctrines of the religion of such officer or soldier, or that a qualified physician has certified that such vaccination, inoculation, treatment or blood examination would be likely to be injurious to the health of any such officer or soldier.

General Order 217 of 1941 is hereby cancelled.

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8. ARMY PERSONNEL--ADMINISTRATION OF PRIVATE AFFAIRS

Routine Order No. 1904 is herewith quoted:-

Personnel of the Forces when absent from Canada on service have in the past experienced considerable difficulty in dealing with their personal business affairs. Due to difficulties in communication and to delays in correspondence considerable inconvenience and financial loss has in the past been incurred.

2. Example of this have come to the attention of the Army authorities, in connection with,
  - (i) The sale and transfer of Real Estate and other property.
  - (ii) The realization of moneys payable under Fire Insurance Policies where the insured is absent from Canada on service.

(iii) Administration of Estates.

3. Similar difficulties might, and do arise, in connection with many other matters.

4. The attention of all members of the Forces is directed to the necessity for executing the appropriate Power of Attorney in order to protect their own personal interests and the interests of their families.