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REGULATIONS

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**No. 1.**—The Corps shall be exclusively composed of the Officers and Clerks of the Government and of the two Branches of the Legislature.

**No. 2.**—The Corps shall consist of two classes of members, Active and Honorary.

**No. 3.**—Honorary Members shall not be required to procure a uniform, or be liable to be called out for Drill, but they may join all meetings for Rifle practice.

**No. 4.**—All applications for membership, shall be made in writing, to the Commanding Officer, and the application shall state whether the Candidate wishes to be placed on the Active or Honorary List. The Commanding Officer shall then announce the names of the Candidates to the Corps at the next meeting for Drill, and at the following meeting for Drill, a Ballot shall be taken, when one black ball in five shall reject the applicant.

**No. 5.**—Any Active Member may retire upon the Honorary List ; or any Member, Active or Honorary, may resign upon giving two months' notice of his intention, and by paying up all arrears that may be due.

**No. 6.**—Every Member admitted after the adoption of these rules, shall pay an entrance fee of \$2. Active Members shall pay in advance a monthly subscription of 1s. 3d., and Honorary Members of 2s. 6d.

**No. 7.**—An Annual General Meeting shall be held on the first Saturday in November ; but should that day be a public holiday, the meeting shall be held on the Saturday following, for the purpose of electing a Treasurer, and Members of the General and Judicial Committees, for receiving a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the year, for adding to or amending the Regulations, and for transacting any other business connected with the interests of the Corps.

**No. 8.**—The Commanding Officer may summon a Special General Meeting, by publicly announcing the same at any regular meeting for Drill ; and he shall summon such Special

General Meeting, upon a requisition to that effect, signed by not less than twenty-five members. But no Rule shall be added or amended at any such meeting, unless the alteration proposed has been publicly announced at a meeting for Drill, at least ten days before the meeting, when it is to be taken into consideration.

**No. 9.**—The Annual General Committee appointed, shall consist of the Commanding Officer, and Officers, Treasurer, and three other elected Members, for transacting the general business of the Corps, of whom five shall be a quorum, when the signature of the Presiding Officer shall be authority to the Treasurer to pay any account; and if the funds of the Corps shall at any time be insufficient to meet expenses, the Committee shall then have authority to assess all the members, in a sum not exceeding one dollar.

**No. 10.**—There shall be a Judicial Committee annually appointed, to consist of Nine Members—two Commissioned Officers, appointed by the Commanding Officer, from time to time, three Non-commissioned Officers, and four other Members, who shall take cogni-

zance of all charges which may be preferred against any Member of the Corps, through the Commanding Officer.

**No. 11.**—The Commanding Officer, or in his absence, the Commissioned Officer next in seniority, shall preside at all General Meetings, and meetings of the General Committee, and on all Committees, the Adjutant, or any person appointed by him, shall act as Secretary ; and no General Meeting, or meeting of Committees, shall be legal, unless at least one Commissioned Officer be present.

**No. 12.**—All charges against any Member for breach of the Regulations shall be made, in writing, to the Commanding Officer.

**No. 13.**—The fine for absence from Drill, without leave, shall be twenty-five cents, and for being late for Drill, twelve and a half cents. For all other breaches of rule, the Commanding Officer shall proceed summarily, or refer the matter to the Judicial Committee ; provided always, that if he proceed summarily, he shall only privately reprimand, or inflict a fine, not exceeding fifty cents.

**No. 14.**—The Judicial Committee may inflict a fine, not exceeding \$5, or sentence the offender to be publicly reprimanded ; but in case the Judicial Committee is of opinion that the Member should be dismissed from the Corps, it shall refer the matter to a General Meeting of the whole Corps, to be called for that purpose, who, if concurring in the report of the Judicial Committee, shall request them to address a letter to the Commander-in-Chief, that his name may be struck off the strength of the Corps.

**No. 15.**—Any Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, or Member, who shall fail to keep any Arms or Accoutrements delivered on intrusted to him in proper order, or shall appear at Drill, Parade, or other occasion, with his Arms or Accoutrements out of proper order, or deficient in any respect, shall be fined by the Commanding Officer.

**No. 16.**—Any Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, or Member, who shall disobey any lawful order of his Superior Officer, may be dealt with summarily, by the Commanding Officer, by fine or reprimand, or the case may be referred by him to the Judicial Committee.



**No. 17.**—If any Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, or Member, shall be guilty of any insolent behaviour to a Superior Officer, or shall be otherwise guilty of conduct unbecoming that of a soldier and gentleman, and calculated to bring disgrace upon the Corps, the charge shall be referred by the Commanding Officer to the Judicial Committee.

**No. 18.**—All damage done to Arms, when not on duty, shall be made good by the Member in whose charge they may be.

**No. 19.**—The Adjutant shall report to the Treasurer all admission fees, fines and damage to Arms, chargeable to any Member, and it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the same.

**No. 20.**—The Treasurer shall report to the Commanding Officer, from time to time, all fees, subscriptions, fines or charges for damage to Arms, which may be more than one month overdue, and the Commanding Officer shall publicly read the same at a meeting for Drill ; and if after the lapse of another month the same arrear shall still remain unpaid, the Commanding Officer shall give the defaulter

public notice at a meeting for Drill, that if the arrear be not paid within one week from that date, the matter will be referred to the Judicial Committee, as a charge of conduct on the part of the defaulter, unbecoming a soldier and gentleman.

**No. 21.**—There shall be kept by the Adjutant a Register, in which each Member, whether Active or Honorary, shall inscribe his name at full length. The entry of the name to be considered a tacit recognition of all the Regulations of the Corps.

**No. 22.**—The Corps shall meet for Drill twice a week, the time and place of meeting to be decided by the Officers of the Corps.

**No. 23.**—A Copy of the Regulations to be furnished to each Member of the Corps.

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**EXTRACTS**  
**FROM THE MILITIA ACT,**  
(CONSOL. STAT. CAP. 35,)  
**APPLICABLE TO VOLUNTEERS**  
**IN CLASS B.**

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**23. 2.** And the Volunteer Companies and Corps receiving pay shall be known as Class A, and those receiving no pay as Class B; And whenever the number of Companies or Corps or men in Class A falls short of that limited by the said section, the deficiency may be supplied by removing the proper number from Class B into Class A; But in all respects, except as to pay and allowances, the provisions of this Act shall apply in like manner to the Volunteer Companies, Corps and men in both Classes.

**24.** Each Volunteer Troop of Cavalry, Company of Foot Artillery, or Company of Riflemen, shall consist of a Captain, a Lieutenant, a Cornet, Second Lieutenant or Ensign, three Serjeants, three Corporals, a Trumpeter or Bugler, and not exceeding forty-three Privates,

except in Companies of Riflemen wherein the number of Privates may be any number from forty-three to seventy-five.

**32.** The arms and accoutrements of the Officers and men of the several Volunteer Companies, shall be such as the Commander in Chief from time to time directs, but of the best and most serviceable kind, without unnecessary ornament ;—Such arms and accoutrements shall be furnished to the non-commissioned officers and privates of the said Volunteer Corps at the expense of the Province, but shall always remain Provincial property, and the parties receiving them shall be accountable for them ;—And the Commander in Chief may direct such security as he thinks proper to be taken for the safe keeping in good order of such Arms and Accoutrements, and the re-delivery thereof to such Officer as may be appointed to receive them, whenever the Commander in Chief for any purpose directs such re-delivery.

**33.** The said arms and accoutrements shall be renewed and kept in repair at the cost of the Province, whenever such renewal or repair becomes necessary from wear in service or

other cause than the fault or neglect of the person having charge thereof, in which last named case they shall be renewed or repaired by such person, or, if renewed or repaired at the cost of the Province, the cost may be recovered from such person as a debt due by him to the Crown.

**34.** The arms and accoutrements of non-commissioned officers and men of the Active Militia shall be kept in public armouries wherever there are such ; and where there are no such public armouries then the Captain of each Volunteer Corps shall be personally responsible for the arms and accoutrements of the non-commissioned Officers and Men of his Corps, and shall himself actually keep the same, and may be allowed annually a sum not exceeding twenty dollars for so doing and for taking care of the arms and accoutrements.

**35.** No Corps of Active Militia and no non-commissioned officer or private thereof, shall at any time appear armed or accoutred, except when *bonâ fide* at drill whether paid or unpaid, or at target practice, or at Reviews or on Field-days or Inspections, or for receiving distinguished persons or rendering funeral honors to

deceased comrades, or when required to act in aid of the civil powers under due authority ; nor shall the arms and accoutrements be taken out of this Province.

**36.** Commissioned Officers of the said Companies shall furnish their own arms and accoutrements.

**42.** Sufficient ammunition for practice at drill shall be supplied to the Volunteer Companies at the expense of the Province, in such manner as the Commander in Chief may direct.

**44.** The said Volunteer Companies shall be liable to be called out in aid of the ordinary Civil Power in case of riot or other emergency requiring such services, and shall when so employed receive from the Municipality in which their services are required, the rates of pay above mentioned, and a further sum of fifty cents per man per diem for additional expenses, and shall be also provided with proper lodging by such Municipality ;—And the said sums, and the value of such lodging if not furnished by the Municipality, may be recovered from it by the Captain of the Company, in his own

name, and when received or recovered shall be paid over to the Officers and men entitled thereto.

**45.** It shall be the duty of the Captain or Officer commanding any such Volunteer Company to call out the same, or such portion thereof as is necessary, for the purpose of quelling any Riot, when thereunto required in writing by the Mayor, Warden or other Head of the Municipality in which such Riot takes place, or by any two Magistrates therein, and to obey such instructions as may be lawfully given him by any Magistrate in regard to the mode of quelling such Riot;—And every Officer, non-commissioned Officer and man of such Company shall on every such occasion obey the orders of his Commanding Officer;—And the Officers and men when so called out shall, without any further or other appointment, and without taking any oath of office, be Special Constables, and shall act as such so long as they remain so called out.

**47.** No non-commissioned Officer or Man of any Volunteer Company, shall, in any case, unless legally discharged, leave the same without giving at least two months' notice in



writing to the Commanding Officer thereof, of his intention so to do ;—Nor shall he, at any time, leave the same contrary to the engagement contained in any articles of engagement he has signed ; and the term of engagement shall not be less than five years ; [Provided that no Volunteer shall leave the service, either with or without notice, at any time when the Militia are called out, unless he is regularly discharged or has served out the time for which he engaged.—*Taken from Section 74.*]

**48.** The several Volunteer Corps shall be subject to inspection from time to time by such person or persons as shall be temporarily appointed by the Commander in Chief for such inspection, and who shall report fully to the Governor on the state of such Corps and their arms and accoutrements and the general efficiency of such force.

**50.** All non-commissioned Officers in the Provincial Militia, shall be appointed by the Officer commanding the Battalion to which they belong,—except in Volunteer Companies where they shall be appointed by the Captain thereof,—and shall in either case hold their rank during pleasure.

**60.** All contraventions of this Act and of Regulations or Orders lawfully made or given under it, when the Militia or that portion thereof to which the offender belongs, is not called out for actual service, shall be punishable by penalties to be imposed by one or more Justices of the Peace, and in a summary manner as hereinafter provided, and in such cases Courts Martial shall not be held.

**113.** The penalty when recovered shall, if the offender belongs to the Active or Volunteer Militia, be paid over to the Officer commanding the Company, for the purposes thereof, and shall be applied by him to such purposes and accounted for by him to the Adjutant General.

**104.** Any person who unlawfully disposes of or removes any arms, accoutrements or other articles belonging to the Crown, or who refuses to deliver up the same when lawfully required, or has the same in his possession, except for lawful cause, (the proof of which shall lie upon him) shall thereby incur a penalty of twenty dollars for each offence ;—But this shall not prevent such offender from being indicted and punished for any greater offence if the facts

amount to such, instead of being subjected to the penalty aforesaid;—And any person charged with any act subjecting him to the penalty imposed by this section, may be arrested by order of the Magistrate before whom the complaint is made, upon affidavit shewing that there is reason to believe that such person is about to leave the Province, carrying any such arms, accoutrements or articles with him.

**105.** Any Officer or man of a Volunteer Militia Company who, when such Company is lawfully called upon to act in aid of the civil power, refuses or neglects to go out with such Company, or to obey any lawful order of his Superior Officer or of any Magistrate, shall thereby incur a penalty of twenty dollars for each offence.

