

117. PERIOD OF ENROLMENT.

Officers shall contract to serve for a period of five years. On completion of this period, service may, at the discretion of the Air Board and with the officer's consent, be extended from time to time for further periods each of not more than five years.

118. AGE-LIMITS.

(1) An officer shall not be allowed to serve in Class A of the reserve after attaining the age of thirty-eight years.

(2) Notwithstanding that the age-limit is thereby exceeded, an officer may be retained in Class A until the completion of his current year of service.

(3) On reaching the age-limit or on completion of his year of service under clause (2) of this regulation, an officer may be permitted, at the discretion of the Air Board, to transfer from Class A to Class B.

(4) An officer shall not be allowed to serve in Class B of the reserve after attaining the age of fifty-five years.

119. CESSATION OF SERVICE : RELINQUISHMENT OF COMMISSION.

(1) An officer will cease to serve in the reserve and will relinquish his commission on the completion of the period for which he enrolls, if his period is not extended, or on reaching the age-limit laid down unless he is transferred to another class.

(2) An officer may, if the Air Board thinks fit, be granted permission to retain his rank on ceasing to serve in the reserve, provided that he has completed at least ten years' commissioned service, including any service on the Active List.

SECTION II.—RESERVE OF AIRMEN.

125. ORGANIZATION.

The reserve of airmen shall be designated as Class C of the Air Force Reserve. It shall consist of two sections as follows :—

Section I: Airmen who, having completed the period of Regular Air Force service for which they enlisted, thereafter complete on the reserve the remaining portion of their engagement, or subsequently re-engage for such service, and reservists of His Majesty's Air Forces elsewhere who may be transferred to the reserve.

Section II: Persons who have not served in His Majesty's Air Forces and who are enlisted for service in the reserve or having so enlisted re-engage for such service.

Reservists shall be enlisted in such Air Force trades as may be required.

126. PERIOD OF ENGAGEMENT.

The initial period of engagement in Section II of the Reserve of Airmen shall be five years.

127. AGE-LIMITS.

Airmen of the reserve shall be discharged on reaching the age of fifty-five years.

CHAPTER V.—DISCIPLINE.

SECTION I.—GENERAL.

131. RESTRICTION OF POWERS OF COURTS-MARTIAL.

With respect to the powers of courts-martial prescribed in the Air Force Act (Imperial) :—

- (a) No court-martial shall impose the death penalty on any member of the Air Force except for a civil offence mentioned in section 41 of the Air Force Act (Imperial) and subject to the proviso thereto.
- (b) No court-martial shall impose a longer term of imprisonment or detention than three months for any offence committed in time of peace.

132. SUMMARY POWERS OF A COMMANDING OFFICER.

With respect to the powers of awarding summary and minor punishments as laid down in King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions, the powers of a commanding officer shall be subject, in time of peace only, to the following limitations :—

- (a) If he is of, or above, the rank of squadron leader :—
 - (i) The maximum period of detention that he may award shall be limited to fourteen days;