

16. POWER TO APPOINT OFFICERS TO COMMAND.

The Governor-General in Council may appoint an officer of the Air Force to command the whole or any portion of the Air Force.

17. PROLONGATION OF SERVICE: REGULAR AIR FORCE.

In time of war or of imminent national danger the Governor-General in Council may, by Proclamation, the occasion being first communicated to Parliament if Parliament is then sitting, order that members of the Regular Air Force who would otherwise be entitled in pursuance of the terms of their appointment or enlistment to be transferred to the reserve shall continue in air force service.

18. CASH AND STORES ACCOUNTING.

Cash and stores accounting procedure in the Air Force shall, where not governed by any New Zealand statute or regulations made thereunder, follow the principles and practice laid down in the Royal Air Force.

19. PEACE ESTABLISHMENTS.

The organization and distribution of the Air Force shall be as shown in the Royal New Zealand Air Force List and in "Peace Establishments" as approved by the Air Board.

20. PERSONS NOT PERMITTED TO SERVE.

Unless the Air Board in any specific instance otherwise directs, a person shall not be permitted to serve in the Air Force who has been convicted by any court of criminal jurisdiction or convicted by any court-martial, whether air force, naval or military, of any disgraceful or infamous crime.

CHAPTER II.—OFFICERS: APPOINTMENT, ATTACHMENT, SECONDMENT, ADVANCEMENT, TRANSFER, RESIGNATION, AND RETIREMENT.

25. "NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE": NOTIFICATIONS IN.

The *New Zealand Gazette*, published by authority, shall be used for the notification of all appointments to commissions, promotions, resignations, retirements, and transfers to the reserve of officers. Unless otherwise expressly stated such appointments shall take effect from the date of publication in the *Gazette*.

26. ISSUE OF COMMISSIONS.

- (1) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Air Board, appoint and promote officers and issue commissions to them.
- (2) Commissions shall specify the branch to which officers are appointed and shall be of one of the following types:—
 - (a) Permanent commissions in the Regular Air Force;
 - (b) Short service commissions in the Regular Air Force for a period of five years, followed by a period of at least five years in the Air Force Reserve;
 - (c) Commissions in the Air Force Reserve or the Territorial Air Force;
 - (d) Temporary commissions; and
 - (e) Honorary commissions.

27. EXTENSION OF SHORT-SERVICE COMMISSIONS.

- (1) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Air Board, extend the short-service commission of an officer for any period not exceeding five years.
- (2) An officer whose commission is extended in the manner aforesaid shall be liable to serve for a period of not more than five years in the reserve.

28. APPOINTMENT TO PERMANENT COMMISSIONS.

- (1) Except in the case of applicants holding special qualifications and except where otherwise provided by these regulations, permanent commissions shall only be granted to officers of the Regular Air Force holding short-service commissions.
- (2) The Governor-General may, at any time, on the recommendation of the Air Board, grant a permanent commission to an officer holding a short-service commission.