

(4) Officers of any armed force may be appointed in the same manner as if no such Proclamation had been made.

(5) No enlistment shall be invalid because made in breach of this regulation.

(6) Except as provided in this regulation, nothing in these regulations shall preclude the voluntary enlistment of members of any armed force.

MISCELLANEOUS.

REGULATION 46.—EMPLOYERS NOT TO DISMISS RECRUITS BEFORE THEY COMMENCE SERVICE WITH THE ARMED FORCES.

Except with the precedent consent of the Minister, no employer shall, by reason of the fact that any person has voluntarily enlisted in any armed force or has been called up for service with the armed forces, dismiss that person from his employment at any time before that person commences his duties with the armed forces.

REGULATION 47.—EMPLOYERS NOT TO EMPLOY RESERVISTS UNLESS ENROLLED.

Every person who at any time after the enrolment of any class of the Reserve has been proclaimed and directed employs or retains in his service for more than seven days any man who belongs to that class and who, being required under these regulations to apply for enrolment therein, has not so applied shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, unless he proves that he believed on reasonable grounds that the man so employed or retained in his service did not belong to that class or was enrolled therein.

REGULATION 48.—EMPLOYERS NOT TO EMPLOY DESERTERS.

Every person who employs or retains in his service any man who has deserted or is absent without leave from any armed force shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, unless he proves that he did not know and had no reason to suspect that the man so employed or retained in his service was a deserter or absent without leave.

REGULATION 49.—ENROLLED RESERVISTS TO NOTIFY CHANGES OF ADDRESS, ETC.

(1) Every man who after being enrolled in the Reserve changes his residential address shall within seven days thereafter give notice of that fact and of his new residential address by registered letter addressed to the Director of National Service at Wellington.

(2) Every man enrolled in the Reserve who, before his enrolment and whether before or after the commencement of these regulations, changes or has since the 1st day of May, 1940, changed his residential address, shall within seven days after the commencement of these regulations or after that change of address (whichever is the later) give notice of the fact of the change and of his new residential address by registered letter addressed to the Director.

REGULATION 50.—POWER OF POLICE TO QUESTION RESERVISTS.

(1) After the enrolment of any class of the Reserve has been proclaimed and directed, any constable may question any man who may reasonably be supposed to belong to that class as to all or any of the following matters—namely, his name, occupation, and residential address, the date and place of his birth, his enrolment in the Reserve, and any other matters relevant to the question of his membership of the Reserve or of any class thereof, or his membership of any armed force.

(2) Any man who fails or refuses forthwith to answer any question so put to him, or who answers any such question in a false or wilfully misleading manner commits an offence against this regulation.