

Singapore Armed Forces (Disciplinary Barracks) Regulations

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Singapore Armed Forces (Disciplinary Barracks) Regulations.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Board” means the Board of Visitors appointed under regulation 30;

“commandant” means an officer appointed by the Director of Manpower to be in charge of a disciplinary barrack;

“Director of Manpower” means the person appointed to exercise such powers and functions as are conferred or imposed on the Director of Manpower by these Regulations;

“person serving detention” means a person under sentence of special detention in a disciplinary barrack imposed by a subordinate military court.

Place of custody of person sentenced to disciplinary barrack

3. A person sentenced by a subordinate military court to special detention in a disciplinary barrack shall serve such sentence in a disciplinary barrack.

Female detainee

4. A woman serving detention shall be kept under such conditions as the Director of Manpower may, with due regard to decency and the special position of the woman, direct.

Temporary place of custody

5.—(1) Where a person is sentenced to special detention in a disciplinary barrack when his unit is engaged in military operations, and he cannot be delivered immediately into a disciplinary barrack, he may be kept in custody in such place as his unit commander may direct.

(2) A person shall be kept under paragraph (1) under conditions which are not detrimental to his health and that he shall be delivered into a disciplinary barrack as soon as possible.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall also apply to —

- (a) persons serving detention in a vessel at sea; and
- (b) persons serving detention outside Singapore.

Separation of persons in custody

6. Wherever practicable persons serving detention who are above the rank of sergeant shall be kept separately from other persons serving detention.

General orders

7. The commandant may, subject to the Act and these Regulations, issue general orders in respect of disciplinary barracks and persons serving detention.

Admission to disciplinary barracks

8. On the admission to a disciplinary barrack of a person sentenced to special detention therein the following procedures shall apply:

- (a) the commandant or a person on the staff of the disciplinary barrack shall examine whether there is a lawful authority for detaining the person therein;
- (b) the person serving detention shall, with due regard to decency, be searched; and any article or document which he is not allowed to keep in his possession shall be taken from him and kept in safe custody; and a list of those articles or documents authenticated by the signature of the person responsible for the taking of such articles or documents shall be kept and a copy thereof shall be delivered on demand to the person sentenced to special detention in the disciplinary barrack; and
- (c) within 24 hours after admission, the person serving detention shall be examined by a medical officer and shall not undergo any form of work or training before a medical officer certifies in Form 1 set out in the

First Schedule that he is fit for such work or training.

Accommodation

9.—(1) Two persons shall not be kept in custody in one cell in a disciplinary barrack.

(2) There shall be either one person or at least 3 persons in a cell referred to in paragraph (1).

Permitted articles

10.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), a person serving detention shall be allowed to keep in his cell necessary clothing, boots, mess-tins, cleaning and toilet kits.

(2) Knives, razors, forks and spoons shall not be allowed to be kept in the cell of a person serving detention.

(3) Persons serving detention shall not be allowed to wear decorations, insignias or badges of rank.

(4) The commandant may permit a person serving detention to keep in such person's cell any article in addition to those mentioned in paragraph (1).

Searches

11. The commandant may order a person serving detention to be searched at any time.

Food

12. Subject to regulation 23(1)(a), a person serving detention shall be provided with food similar to that provided to a serviceman not in custody.

Prohibition on smoking

13. No person serving detention shall smoke or have in his possession a match or lighter, or any naked light for the purpose of lighting any tobacco or cigarette.

Letters

14.—(1) A person sentenced to special detention in a disciplinary barrack shall be allowed to write one letter during his detention therein; and thereafter he shall not write any other letter.

(2) There shall be no restriction on the length of the letter a person referred to in paragraph (1) may write.

(3) A letter written under this regulation by a person serving detention shall be