

# **Singapore Armed Forces (Leave) (Amendment) Regulations 2006**

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## **SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES ACT (CHAPTER 295)**

## SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES (LEAVE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2006

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 205 of the Singapore Armed Forces Act, the Armed Forces Council hereby makes the following Regulations:

### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Singapore Armed Forces (Leave) (Amendment) Regulations 2006 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st November 2004.

### **Amendment of regulation 2**

2. Regulation 2 of the Singapore Armed Forces (Leave) Regulations (Rg 12) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “deferred leave”, the following definition:

“ “dentist” means a person registered as a dentist under the Dentists Act (Cap. 76) and has a valid practising certificate issued under that Act;”;

- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “general orders”, the following definitions:

“ “medical certificate” means a document issued by a medical practitioner or a dentist certifying that a serviceman is unfit to discharge his duties;

“medical practitioner” means a medical practitioner registered under the Medical Registration Act (Cap. 174) and has a valid practising certificate issued under that Act;”;

- (c) by deleting paragraph (a) of the definition of “service” and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) all periods of leave, except no pay leave and no pay study leave, granted to a serviceman;”;

- (d) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of “serviceman” and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:

“ “week” means a continuous period of 7 days.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 3**

**3.** Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (1)(b);
- (b) by deleting sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraphs:

- “(c) servicemen enlisted before 1st July 1979 who are engaged as pilots before 1st January 2005; and

- (d) servicemen enlisted on or after 1st July 1979 who are engaged as pilots before 1st January 2005 and are not permanently grounded at any time since their engagement as pilots,”;

- (c) by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- “(3) The leave scheme set out in the Third Schedule shall apply to —

- (a) servicemen enlisted during the period from 1st July 1979 to 31st October 2004 who are engaged as pilots and are permanently grounded at any time since their engagement as pilots; and

- (b) regular servicemen employed, or re-employed with a break in service, during the period from 1st July 1979 to 31st October 2004.

- (3A) The leave scheme set out in the Fourth Schedule shall apply to —

- (a) servicemen enlisted on or after 1st November 2004 who are engaged as pilots and are permanently grounded at any time since their engagement as pilots; and

- (b) regular servicemen employed, or re-employed with a break in service, on or after 1st November 2004.

- (3B) The leave scheme set out in the Fifth Schedule shall apply to servicemen who are engaged as pilots on or after 1st January 2005 and are not permanently grounded at any time since their engagement as pilots.”; and

- (d) by deleting the words “, Second and Third” in paragraph (4) and substituting the words “to Fifth”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 5**

4. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “prescribed by the Director of Manpower” in paragraph (e) and substituting the word “specified”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 6**

5. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “expended all his current vacation leave entitlement” and substituting the words “completely consumed the vacation leave he is eligible for at the relevant time”.

#### **Deletion and substitution of regulation 7**

6. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

##### **“Medical leave**

7. Every application for medical leave by a serviceman shall be supported by a medical certificate.”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 8**

7. Regulation 8 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(1) A married servicewoman who has been in service for at least 180 days before the date of her confinement shall be eligible for the grant of maternity leave on full pay for her first and second confinement for —

- (a) a period of 8 weeks commencing —

(i) not earlier than 4 weeks immediately before the date of the confinement; and

(ii) not later than the date immediately following the confinement; and

- (b) one or more further periods, not exceeding 28 days in the aggregate, which shall be within the period of 6 months from the date of the confinement, if the

child delivered during the confinement is a citizen of Singapore at the time of the child's birth.

(1A) A married servicewoman shall be eligible for the grant of maternity leave in accordance with paragraph (1) for her third and fourth confinement if —

- (a) the child delivered during the confinement is a citizen of Singapore at the time of the child's birth; and
- (b) the servicewoman has fewer than 4 living children (excluding legally adopted children and step-children) at the time of the confinement.

(1B) For the purpose of determining whether a confinement is the first, second, third or fourth confinement of a servicewoman, any previous confinement shall be disregarded if the child delivered during the previous confinement was still-born.”; and

- (b) by deleting paragraph (4).

### **Amendment of regulation 9**

8. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the comma at the end of paragraph (a)(ii) and substituting a semi-colon; and
- (b) by deleting the words “if the serviceman has expended all his vacation leave or the balance of any vacation leave due to him is insufficient to cover the period of his absence;” in paragraph (a).

### **Amendment of First Schedule**

9. The First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 1 and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), a serviceman shall be eligible for vacation leave at a rate corresponding to the division within which his rank or grade falls and the length of his continuous service in that division, as set out in the following Table:

	<i>Number of days of vacation leave in one calendar year</i>
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