

*These notes refer to the Armed Forces Act 2006 (c.52)
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ARMED FORCES ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

First Group of Parts – Discipline

Part 6 – Summary Hearing and Appeals and Review

Chapter 1 – Summary Hearing

Summary hearing

Section 131: Summary hearing

281. This section gives the CO certain powers in respect of summary hearings. It allows him to dismiss the charge at any time and requires him to do so if he determines that it has not been proved. Where he determines that charge has been proved he must record that finding and award one or more of the authorised punishments. In the case of findings that more than one charge has been proved, a single award of punishment is to be made in respect of all those charges. With the exception of “minor punishments” (which may be listed in regulations) and service compensation orders only one punishment of each kind may be awarded in respect of a hearing.