

*These notes refer to the Armed Forces Act 2006 (c.52)
which received Royal Assent on 8 November 2006*

ARMED FORCES ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

First Group of Parts – Discipline

Part 9 – Sentencing: Principles and Procedures

Chapter 2 – Principles and Procedures applying to Service Courts only

General

Section 255: Individual sentence for each offence

507. At present, a court-martial (unlike a civilian court) passes a single sentence on an offender, even if he is convicted of two or more offences. A Standing Civilian Court, on the other hand, passes a separate sentence for each offence. This section requires both the Court Martial and the SCC to pass a separate sentence for each offence. (A CO and the SAC, by contrast, pass a single sentence for all the offences proved: see sections 131 and 147.)