



Home Guard Act 1951

1951 CHAPTER 8

4 Short title, interpretation and commencement.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Home Guard Act, 1951.
- (2) For the purposes of section one of this Act and of the amendments of the Army Act effected by the Schedule thereto,—
 - (a) references to being on duty shall be construed as references to being present for the purpose of performing any duty required in accordance with regulations;
 - (b) the period during which a platoon or other part of the Home Guard is mustered shall be deemed to begin as soon as the order has been given for the mustering thereof;
 - (c) the expression "mustered" means mustered for the purpose of resisting an actual or apprehended attack by a foreign power or of taking part in measures for dealing with the effects of such an attack.
- (3) In section one of this Act the references to orders are references to orders of His Majesty signified under the hand of a Secretary of State and in this Act references to regulations are references to regulations made by the Army Council; and any such orders or regulations shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as may be after they are made.
- (4) Subsection (1) of section three of the Army and Air Force (Women's Service) Act, 1948 (which provides for the application to women of the Army and Air Force Acts and other enactments relating to men) shall apply to this Act as it applies to any such enactment as is mentioned in that subsection.
- (5) Any power conferred by this Act to make an order shall include power to vary or revoke an order.