



Citizenship (Armed Forces) Act 2014

2014 CHAPTER 8

1 Applications for citizenship by members or former members of armed forces

- (1) Schedule 1 to the British Nationality Act 1981 (requirements for naturalisation as a British citizen under section 6(1) of that Act) is amended in accordance with subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) Paragraph 2 becomes sub-paragraph (1) of that paragraph.
- (3) After that sub-paragraph insert—
 - “(2) Sub-paragraph (3) applies in a case where, on the date of the application, the applicant is or has been a member of the armed forces.
 - (3) If in the special circumstances of the particular case the Secretary of State thinks fit, he may for the purposes of paragraph 1 treat the applicant as fulfilling the requirement specified in paragraph 1(2)(a) although the applicant was not in the United Kingdom at the beginning of the period there mentioned.”
- (4) In section 39 of the Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Act 2009 (which contains further amendments of paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the British Nationality Act 1981)
 - (a) in subsection (4) for the words from the beginning to “paragraph)” substitute “In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 2 of that Schedule”;
 - (b) in subsection (9) for the words “After that sub-paragraph insert” substitute “For sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) of paragraph 2 substitute”.