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**AIR FORCE ORDER  
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1. The Reserve and Auxiliary Air Forces Act 1952 and the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force Act Rules 1953 are reproduced as Appendices 'A' & 'B' respectively to this Air Force Order.
2. This AFO supersedes Air Force Orders No. 349/76 and 350/76.

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**APPENDIX 'A'**

**(Refers to AFO 96/78)**

**THE RESERVE AND AUXILIARY AIR FORCES ACT, 1952  
NO LXII OF 1952**

An act to provide for the constitution and regulation of certain Air Force Reserves and also an Auxiliary Air Force and for matters connected therewith.

(22 August 1952)

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Be it enacted by Parliament as follows :-

**CHAPTER I**

**PRELIMINARY**

1. *Short Title, extent and commencement* – (1) This Act may be called the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Forces Act 1952.

(2) It extends to the whole of India.

(3) This Chapter shall come into force at once, and the remaining provisions shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint, and different dates may be appointed for different provisions.

2. *Definitions* – In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, -

(a) “Air Force Reserve” means any of the Air Force Reserves raised and maintained under this Act;

(b) “Competent Authority” means an air officer or a committee consisting of two or more air officers appointed under section 3;

(c) “prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act;

(d) all other words and expressions used herein and defined in the Air Force Act 1950 (XIV of 1950), and not hereinbefore defined shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them by that Act.

3. *Appointment of competent authority* – The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint an air officer or committee consisting of two or more air officers to perform all or any of the functions of the competent authority under this Act for such area as may be specified in the notification.

**CHAPTER – II**

**REGULAR AIR FORCE RESERVE**

4. *Constitution of Regular Air Force Reserve* – The Central Government may raise and maintain in the manner hereafter in this Chapter provided an Air Force Reserve to be designated the Regular Air Force Reserve which shall consist solely of persons transferred or appointed to it under Section 5.

5. *Recruitment to the Regular Air Force Reserve* – (1) The competent authority may, by general or special order, transfer to the Regular Air Force Reserve -

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- (a) any officer or airman of the Air Force who under the terms and conditions of his service is liable to serve in any Air Force Reserve if an when constituted;
- (b) any officer or airman of the Air Force whose commission or engagement in the Air Force has been terminated before the commencement of this Act and who under the terms of his commission or engagement was liable to serve in any Air Force Reserve if an when constituted;
- (c) any officer or airman who has served in the Air Force and has retired therefrom;

and any officer or airman so transferred shall be deemed to be a member of the said Reserve.

(2) The competent authority may, in such circumstances and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, by special order, appoint to the Regular Air Force Reserve any member of the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force raised and maintained under this Act, and where any such member is so appointed, he shall cease to be a member of the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force, as the case may be, and shall as from the date of such appointment be deemed to be a member of the Regular Air Force Reserve.

(3) The competent authority may, for reasons which in its opinion are sufficient, cancel any order made under sub section (1) or sub section (2) and on the cancellation of such order the person in respect of whom the order had been made shall cease to be a member of the Regular Air Force Reserve.

6. *Classes of persons in the Regular Air Force Reserve* – Members of the Regular Air Force Reserve shall be divided into the following classes, namely :-

- (a) general duties officers,
- (b) ground duties officers, and
- (c) airmen,

and every officer shall be entitled on transfer or appointment to the Reserve to hold the same rank as that which he last held in the Air Force, or the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force, as the case may be, before such transfer or appointment.

7. *Period of service* – (1) Every member of the Regular Air Force Reserve shall be liable to serve in the Reserve -

- (a) if he is transferred to the Reserve under sub section (1) of section 5 for the period of his Reserve liability and
- (b) if he is appointed to the Reserve under sub-section (2) of section 5, for the remainder of the period for which he was liable to serve in the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force, as the case may be :

Provided that the competent authority may required any such member to serve in the Reserve for such further period or periods not exceeding in the aggregate five years as it may think fit.

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*Explanation I* – For the purposes of this sub-section “period of Reserve liability “ in relation to any member of the Regular Air Force Reserve means the period for which under the terms and conditions of his service in the Air Force he was liable to serve in any Air Force Reserve if and when constituted.

*Explanation II* – In computing the period of Reserve liability in relation to any member of the Regular Air Force Reserve whose commission or engagement in the Air Force was terminated before the commencement of this Act, the period which has elapsed between such termination and the date of such commencement shall be included.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), no person shall be liable to serve in the Reserve after attaining the prescribed age.

8. *Termination of service in the Reserve* – Every member of the Regular Air Force Reserve shall, on completion of the period of his service therein, cease to be a member of the Reserve.

## **CHAPTER III**

### **AIR DEFENCE RESERVE**

9. *Constitution of Air Defence Reserve* - The Central Government may raise and maintain in the manner hereafter in this Chapter provided an Air Force Reserve to be designated the Air Defence Reserve which shall consist of persons deemed under the provisions of section 16 to be enrolled therein.

10. *Classes of persons in the Air Defence Reserve* – Members of the Air Defence Reserve shall be divided into the following classes, namely :-

- (a) general duties officers;
- (b) ground duties officers; and
- (c) airmen.

11. *Obligation to Register* – (1) Every citizen of India who –

(a) holds or has held a public transport pilot’s licence (‘B’ Licence) issued under the Indian Aircraft Rules, 1937, or

(b) has had not less than two hundred hours’ experience of solo flying, including not less than thirty landings, or

(c) holds or has held a first class navigator’s licence issued under the Indian Air Craft Rules, 1937, or

(d) has had at least four years’ aviation experience during which at least six hundred hours shall have been spent in the air, not less than one hundred hours of such experience being experience of navigation in the air, or

(e) holds or has held a first class radio telegraph operator’s licence issued under the Indian Aircraft Rules 1937, or

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(f) holds or has held a radio telephone operator's licence issued under the Indian Aircraft Rules 1937, or

(g) holds or has held a licence as ground engineer in any of the categories A, B, C, D, or X issued under the Indian Aircraft Rules, 1937, or

(h) is or was at any time employed in connection with any aerodrome or in connection with the control and movement of aircraft, in such capacity as may be prescribed.

shall within the prescribed period correctly fill up, or cause to be filled up, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the prescribed form, and sign and lodge it with the competent authority nearest to his usual place of residence or business:

Provided that nothing contained in this sub-section shall apply –

(i) to any person belonging to any of the classes specified in clauses (a) to (f), if he has attained the age of thirty-seven years; or

(ii) to any person belonging to any of the classes specified in clauses (g) and (h), if he has attained the age of fifty years.

(2) Without prejudice to the provisions contained in sub-section (1), the competent authority may, if it is satisfied that the provisions of that sub-section apply to any person, by order in writing, require that person to furnish within such time such particulars as may be specified in the order and such person shall within the specified time furnish correctly to the best of his knowledge and belief the said particulars to the said authority in such form and manner as may be prescribed.

12. *Liability to be called up for inquiry* – Every person to whom the provisions of section 11 are applicable shall be liable to be called up for inquiry under section 13 -

(a) if he belongs to any of the classes specified in clauses (a) to (f) of sub-section (1) of section 11 until he has completed his thirty-seventh year, and

(b) if he belongs to any of the classes specified in clauses (g) and (h) of the said sub-section until he has completed his fiftieth year.

13. *Calling-up for inquiry* – The competent authority may cause to be served on any person for the time being liable to be called up for inquiry under section 12 a written notice stating that he is called up for inquiry regarding his fitness for service in the Air Defence Reserve and requiring him to present himself to such person and at such place and at such time as may be specified in the notice and to submit himself to inquiry by the said person.

14. *Medical examination* – Every person called up for inquiry under section 13 shall, if and when required by the competent authority, present himself for examination before such medical officer as may be directed by that authority and, for the purposes of such examination, shall comply with the directions of the medical officer.

15. *Registration of persons considered fit for enrolment* – If after such inquiry and medical examination as aforesaid the competent authority considers a person fit for enrolment in the Air

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Defence Reserve, it shall inform him accordingly and enter his name and other prescribed particulars in a register maintained in such form and manner as may be prescribed.

16. *Calling up for service* – The competent authority may cause to be served on any person whose name is entered in the register maintained in pursuance of section 15 a written notice stating that he is called up for service in the Air Defence Reserve and requiring him to present himself at such place and time and to such authority as may be specified in the notice; and the person upon whom the notice is served shall be deemed to be enrolled in the Reserve as from the day so specified.

17. *Period of service* – (1) Every person deemed to be enrolled in the Air Defence Reserve shall be liable for service -

(a) if he belongs to any of the classes specified in clauses (a) to (f) of sub-section (!) of section 11, until he has completed his forty-second year;

(b) if he belongs to any of the classes specified in clauses (g) and (h) of the said sub-section, until he has completed his fifty-fifth year.

(2) Every such person, on attaining the age specified in sub-section (1), shall cease to be a member of the Air Defence Reserve.

## CHAPTER IV

### AUXILIARY AIR FORCE

18. *Constitution of Auxiliary Air Force* – (1) The Central Government may raise and maintain in the manner hereafter in this Chapter provided an Air Force to be designated the Auxiliary Air Force.

(2) The Central Government may constitute such number of squadrons and units of the Auxiliary Air Force as it thinks fit and may disband or reconstitute any squadron or unit.

19. *Classes of persons in the Auxiliary Air Force* – Members of the Auxiliary Air Force shall be divided into the following classes, namely :-

- (a) general duties officers;
- (b) ground duties officers; and
- (c) airmen.

20. *Officers of the Auxiliary Air Force* – The President may grant to such person as he thinks fit a commission as an officer in the Auxiliary Air Force with designation of rank corresponding to that of any commissioned officer in the Air Force.

21. *Persons eligible for enrolment* – Any citizen of India may offer himself for enrolment in the Auxiliary Air Force and may, if he satisfies the prescribed conditions, be so enrolled on such terms as may be prescribed.

22. *Period of service* – Every officer and every enrolled person shall subject to any rules that may be made in this behalf under this Act be required to serve in the Auxiliary Air Force for a

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period of five years from the date of his appointment or enrolment but may, after the completion of his period of service, volunteer to serve therein for further periods each of not more than five years' duration.

23. *Termination of Service* – The service of any officer or enrolled person in the Auxiliary Air Force may, at any time before the completion of his period of service, be terminated by such authority and under such conditions as may be prescribed.

24. *Advisory Committee* – (1) The Central Government shall, as soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, constitute-

- (a) for the whole of India, a Central Government Committee –
- (b) for each State, a State Advisory Committee; and
- (c) for every unit of the Auxiliary Air Force, a Unit Advisory Committee.

(2) It shall be the duty of the Central Advisory Committee to advise the Central Government on matters connected with the Auxiliary Air Force generally, of the State Advisory Committee to advise the Central Government on matters connected with the formation of squadrons or units in the State and squadrons or units already stationed in the State.

(3) The duties, powers and procedure of Advisory Committees, and in particular the matters in respect of which the Advisory Committees may be called upon to give advice shall be such as may be prescribed.

## CHAPTER V

### LIABILITY AND DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS OF RESERVE AND AUXILIARY AIR FORCES

25. *Liability to be called up for service*- Every member of an Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall, during the period of his service, be liable to be called up -

- (a) for training for such period as may be prescribed and for medical examination,
- (b) for service in aid of the civil power,
- (c) for Air Force service in India or abroad.

26. *Application of Air Force Act, 1950* – Every member of an Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall, when called up for training, medical examination or for service under this Act, be subject to the Air Force Act, 1950 (XIV of 1950), and the rules made thereunder in the same manner as a person belonging to the Air Force and holding the same rank is subject to the said Act and rules and shall continue to be so subject until duty released from such training, medical examination or service, as the case may be.

## CHAPTER VI

### MISCELLANEOUS

27. *Reinstatement in civil employ of persons required to perform service under this Act*-(1)

It shall be the duty of every employer by whom a person called up under section 25 is employed to

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grant him such leave as may be necessary and to reinstate him in his employment on the termination of the period during which he has been so called up in occupation and under conditions not less favourable to him than those which would have been applicable to him had he not been so called up :

Provided that if the employer refuses to reinstate such person or denies his liability to reinstate such person, or it for any reason the reinstatement of such person is represented by the employer to be impracticable, either party may refer the matter to the prescribed authority and that authority shall, after considering all matters which may be put before him and after making such further inquiry into the matter as may be prescribed, pass an order :-

- (a) exempting the employer from the provisions of this section, or
- (b) requiring him to re-employ such person on such terms as that authority thinks suitable, or
- (c) requiring him to pay to such person by way of compensation for failure or inability to re-employ, a sum not exceeding an amount equal to six months' remuneration at the rate at which his last remuneration was payable to him by the employer.

(2) If any employer fails to obey the order of any such authority as is referred to in the proviso to sub-section (1), he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, and the court by which an employer is convicted under this section shall order him if he has not already been so required by the said authority to pay to the person whom he has failed to re-employ a sum equal to six months' remuneration at the rate at which his last remuneration was payable to him by the employer, and any amount so required to be paid either by the said authority or by the court shall be recoverable as if it were a fine imposed by such court.

(3) In any proceeding under this section it shall be a defence for an employer to prove that the person formerly employed did not apply to the employer for reinstatement within a period of two months from the termination of the period during which he was called up under section 25.

(4) The duty imposed by sub-section (1) upon an employer to grant leave to a person such as is described in that sub-section or to reinstate him in his employment shall attach to an employer who, before such person is actually called up under section 25, terminates his employment in circumstances such as to indicate an intention to evade the duty imposed by that sub-section and such intention shall be presumed until the contrary is proved if the termination takes place after the issue of an order relating to that person under section 25.

28. *Preservation of certain rights of persons called up for service-* When any person called up under section 25 has any rights under any provident fund or superannuation fund or other scheme for the benefit of employees maintained in connection with the employment he relinquishes, he shall continue, during the period for which he has been so called up and if he is reinstated, until such reinstatement under the provisions of this Act, to have in respect of such fund or scheme such rights as may be prescribed.

29. *Pay and Allowances – (1)* Every member of an Air Force Reserve of the Auxiliary Air Force shall, during the period of training or active service, receive such pay and allowances as are admissible to an officer or airman, as the case may be, in the corresponding rank, branch or trade of the Air Force.

(2) Where any such member was in any employment immediately before he is called up for training under section 25, the employer shall, during the period of the training, be liable to pay

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to him the difference, if any, between the pay and allowances which he would have received from the employer if he had not been called up for such training and the pay and allowances which he receives as such member while under training.

(3) If any employer refuses or fails to pay to any such member the difference in pay and allowances as provided in sub-section (2), such difference in pay and allowances may, on application by the member to the prescribed authority, be recovered from the employer in such manner as may be prescribed.

30. *Penalties* - (1) If any person refuses or without lawful excuse (the burden of proving which shall lie upon such person) neglects to comply fully with the requirements of sub-section (1) of section 11 or of any order made under sub-section (2) of that section or with the requirements of section 14, he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees.

(2) If any person willfully fails to comply with any notice issued under section 13 or section 16, he shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousands rupees, or with both.

31. *Service of notice* - Any notice or order to be served on any person for the purposes of this Act may be sent by post to that person at his last known address or may be served upon him in such other manner as may be prescribed.

32. *Competent authority to be public servant* - For the purposes of this Act every competent authority and where the competent authority consists of a committee of two or more air officers, every member of the committee shall be deemed to be a public servant within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code (Act XLV of 1860).

33. *Power of Central Government to grant exemptions*- The Central Government may, for special reasons and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, by order exempt any persons from any obligation or liability under this Act or any particular provision thereof.

34. *Power of make rules* - (1) The Central Government may by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:-

- (a) the composition and strength of any Air Force Reserve;
- (b) the circumstances in which and the conditions subject to which any officer or airman may be transferred or appointed to the Regular Air Force Reserve under section 5;
- (c) the age beyond which persons shall not be liable to serve in the Regular Air Force Reserve;
- (d) the form and manner in which the particulars required by sub-section (2) of section 11 shall be furnished;
- (e) the form and manner in which registers shall be maintained in pursuance of section 15, the particulars to be entered therein, and the correction or revision of such particulars from time to time;

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- (f) the pay or allowances payable to persons called up for inquiry or medical examination under this Act;
- (g) the terms and conditions subject to which a person may be enrolled as a member of the Auxiliary Air Force;
- (h) the authority by which and the conditions subject to which the service of any officer or enrolled person in the Auxiliary Air Force may be terminated;
- (i) the constitution and the duties, powers and procedure of Advisory Committees to be constituted under section 24;
- (j) the period and manner of training of members of any Air Force Reserve and the Auxiliary Air Force;
- (k) the manner in which and the conditions subject to which the rank of any member of an Air Force Reserve may be determined;
- (l) the constitution of the authority for the purpose of section 27 and the manner in which such authority may conduct any inquiry under this Act;
- (m) the authority to which an application under sub-section (3) of section 29 may be made and the manner in which the difference in the pay and allowances may be recovered under that sub-section;
- (n) the manner in which any notice or order issued or made under this Act may be served;
- (o) the conditions subject to which any person may be exempted from any obligation or liability under this Act or any particular provisions thereof;
- (p) any other matter which under this Act is to be, or may be prescribed.

(3) Any rule made under this section may provide that a contravention thereof shall be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

(4) All rules made under this section shall be laid for not less than seven days before Parliament as soon as possible after they are made and shall be subject to such modifications as Parliament may make, during the session in which they are so laid or the session immediately following.

35. *Amendment of Sections 2,4 and 31, Act XIV of 1950- in the Air Force Act, 1950-*

- (i) in section 2, for clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

“(c) persons belonging to the Regular Air Force Reserve or the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force in the circumstances specified in section 26 of the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Forces Act, 1952;”

- (ii) in section 4, for the words “the Indian Air Force Volunteer Reserve”, wherever they occur, the words, “any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force” shall be substituted;
- (iii) in section 31, for the words “the Air Force Reserve” the words “any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force” shall be substituted.

36. *Repeal of Act XXXVI of 1939 – The Indian Air Force Volunteer Reserve (Discipline) Act, 1939, is hereby repealed.*

**APPENDIX ‘B’**

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(Refers to AFO 96/78)

**RESERVE AND AUXILIARY AIR FORCES ACT RULES, 1953**

**CHAPTER I**

**PRELIMINARY**

1. *Short title and extent* – These Rules may be called the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Forces Act Rules 1953.
2. *Definitions* – In these Rules unless the context otherwise requires-
  - (a) “Act” means the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Forces Act, 1952;
  - (b) “form” means a form set out in Schedule I;
  - (c) “State Government”, in relation to a Union Territory, means the Administrator appointed in respect thereof, under article 239 of the Constitution;
  - (d) “member” means an officer or airman of the regular Air Force Reserve, the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air force, as the case may be;
  - (e) “rank” unless otherwise expressly provided, means substantive rank;
  - (f) “Section” means a Section of the Act.

**CHAPTER II**

**REGULAR AIR FORCE RESERVE**

3. *Transfer from Air Defence Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force to Regular Air Force Reserve* - A member of the Air Defence Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force may, by special order of the competent authority in Form I be appointed to the Regular Air force Reserve subject to the following conditions namely:-
  - (a) that he has completed the period of training.
  - (b) that he has passed the medical and selection tests provided that the competent authority may in any special case, for reasons to be recorded in writing, waive or relax any of the aforesaid conditions.
4. *Cessation of Service* - Every member of the Regular Air Force Reserve shall cease to be a member of that Reserve on completion of the period of his service as laid down in section 7 of the Act or on attaining the age specified below, whichever is earlier:

Rank	General Duties Officers	Ground Duties Officers	Airmen
Wing Commander and below	53	57/60	For Ed Branch
Group Captain	55	60	-
Air Commodore	57	60	-
Air Vice Marshal	60	60	-

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5. *Transfer between Classes* - Officers and Airmen transferred or appointed to the Regular Air Force Reserve under sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 5 of the Act may be retransferred from one class to another mentioned in section 6 of the Act according to their physical fitness professional aptitude and suitability.

6. *Rank of airmen on Transfer to the Reserve* - An airman transferred to the Regular Air Force Reserve under sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Act shall retain the same rank or classification as was held by him in the Air force immediately before such transfer.

### CHAPTER III

#### AIR DEFENCE RESERVE

7. *Ineligibility* - The following persons shall not be eligible for appointment to the Air Defence Reserve: -

- (a) Persons in receipt of a pension in respect of a disability arising from service in the Regular Air Force unless for reasons to be recorded in writing the competent authority decides that notwithstanding such disability the person concerned is fit for such appointment;
- (b) Members of the Armed Forces whose services have been terminated for misconduct;
- (c) Persons who have been convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude;
- (d) Persons who have been dismissed from the service of the Central or a State Government for misconduct involving moral turpitude.

8. *Particulars required* - (a) Every person possessing any of the qualifications mentioned in sub-section (1) of section 11 shall furnish to the competent authority through his employer, if any, the particulars of any such qualifications in Form II within such period as may be specified by the Central Government by notification in the official Gazette.

(b) Every person required by an order in writing issued by the competent authority under sub-section (2) of section 11 to furnish particulars shall do so in form II within such times as may be specified in the order.

8 A. *Registration of persons considered fit for enrolment* -

(a) The name and address of the applicant together with other particulars furnished by him under rule 8 or in pursuance of any direction by the competent authority shall be entered in a register maintained in the form provided in sub-rule (b).

(b) The register referred to in sub-rule (a) shall be called the "Air Defence Reserve Register" and shall be maintained in Form VI, and be kept in the custody of the competent authority or any other authority empowered by it in this behalf.

8 B. *Obligation to register* - The following persons who are or were employed at any time in connection with any aerodrome or in connection with the control and movement of aircraft in

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any of the capacities specified below shall be liable to register their names under clause (h) of sub-section (1) of section 11 :-

- (i) All technicians who are working or have worked on aircraft or its associated equipment for a period of not less than two years.
- (ii) All technicians who are working or have worked on aircraft or airborne armament for a period of not less than two years.
- (iii) All persons who are engaged or have been at any time engaged in air traffic control and other allied services for the control and safety of aircraft in the air and on ground.
- (iv) All persons who are employed or have been at any time employed for providing Meteorological services for the planning and execution of aircraft operations or for ensuring the safety of aircraft in the air and on ground.
- (v) All persons who are engaged or have been at any time engaged in the provisioning, custody and distribution, including transportation of aviation stores.

9. *Verification of particulars* - Where any person has furnished particulars of his qualification under rule 8, the competent authority or such other person as may be authorised by him in this behalf, shall verify the correctness of those particulars. The said authority or the person authorised by him may make such further enquiries as may be necessary regarding the suitability of the applicant for service in the Air Defence Reserve.

10. *Selection Tests* - Where the particulars furnished under rule 8 in respect of any person have been found to be correct and he is otherwise deemed to be suitable for appointment in the Air Defence Reserve, the competent authority may require such person to undergo such medical and other tests (including flying tests at the risk of such person) as the competent authority may deem fit.

11. *Transfer between Classes* - Officers and airmen appointed to the Air Defence Reserve may be transferred from one class to another mentioned in Section 10 of the Act according to the physical fitness, professional aptitude and suitability.

12. *Rank of officers* - A person selected as an officer in the Air Defence Reserve shall be appointed in the rank of a Pilot officer-

Provided that -

- (a) a person who in the opinion of the competent authority, possesses special qualifications and experience, which would entitle him to the grant of a higher rank may be granted such higher rank;
- (b) a person, who was an officer in the Armed Forces may be appointed to the same substantive rank which he held during his service in the Armed Forces, unless a higher rank is granted to him under clause (a).

13. *Attestation* - Every person shall be attested by his Commanding Officer at the time of enrolment. Attestation shall be an oath of affirmation specified in Form V.

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14. *Rank of Airmen* - A person selected as an airman in the Auxiliary Air Force shall be entered as Aircraftsman, 2<sup>nd</sup> class unless by virtue of his merit, qualifications and experience he is considered suitable by the competent authority for the grant of a higher rank.

**CHAPTER IV**

**AUXILIARY AIR FORCE**

15. *Composition*- The Central Government may by notification in the Official Gazette notify the location area and other particulars of any Squadron of the Auxiliary Air Force.

16. *Formation of Squadrons and Units of Auxiliary Air Force*- A Squadron or Unit of the Auxiliary Air Force may be formed either alone or jointly with any other part of the Regular Air Force.

17. *Permanent Staff*- The permanent staff for the squadron and units of the Auxiliary Air Force and the Regular Air Force Reserve and the Auxiliary Air Force. The tenure or appointment of the members of the Auxiliary Air Force will be 3 years as extendable upto 5 years except when otherwise ordered by Air HQ.

18. *Ineligibility*- The following persons shall not be eligible for appointment of enrolment in the Auxiliary Air Force namely:-

- (a) (i) Persons in receipt of a pension in r/o a disability arising from service in the Regular Air Force unless for reasons to be recorded in writing the competent authority decides that notwithstanding such disability the person concerned is fit for such appointment.
- (ii) Members of the Armed Forces whose services have been terminated for misconduct.
- (b) Persons who have been convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude.
- (c) Persons who have been dismissed from the service of the Central or a state Government for misconduct involving moral turpitude.

19. *Age Limits*- A person shall not be qualified to be member of the Auxiliary Air Force unless he satisfied the following age limits-

	Min	Max
(a) General Duties officers	18	28
(b) Ground Duties officer	18	45
(c) Airmen	18	45

Provided that the competent authority may, in any special case and having due regard to the qualifications and experience of any person, relax the above age limits in his case.

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20. *Applications for Commission-* A person desirous of being appointed to a commission shall apply in Form III to any of the officers mentioned in rule 23.

21. *Selection and Medical Boards-* Candidates for appointment to the Auxiliary Air Force in the commissioned ranks shall not be appointed unless found physically fit for the appropriate class applied for. They may be required to appear before any selection or Medical Board be laid down from time to time.

22. *Rank of officers-* A person selected as an officer in the Auxiliary Air Force shall be appointed in the rank of a Pilot officer-

Provided that-

(a) a person who in the opinion of the competent authority, possesses special qualifications and experience which would entitle him to the grant of a higher rank may be granted such higher rank;

(b) a person who was an officer in the Armed Forces may be appointed to the same substantive rank which he held during his service in the Armed Forces, unless a higher rank is granted to him under clause (a).

23. *Application for Enrolment-* A person desirous of being enrolled in the Auxiliary Air Force shall apply to the Officer Commanding. Squadron or Unit in which he desires to serve, or to an Officer who is a Recruiting Officer for the purpose of enrolment of persons under the Air Force Act , 1950 or to such other officer as may be appointed by the Central government in this behalf.

24. *Verification of Particulars-* All applications, shall be duly scrutinised by the officer referred to in rule 23 and he may make such further enquires as he finds necessary regarding the suitability of the applicant for service in the Auxiliary Air Force as officer or airman.

25. *Medical and other Tests-* (a) when the officer referred to in rule 23 is satisfied that the application is in order and that the applicant fulfils all the conditions of service in the Auxiliary Air Force and is suitable for enrolment in the Squadron or Unit in which he desires to be enrolled and that a vacancy exists in that Squadron or Unit, he shall notify the applicant requiring him to present himself for medical and other tests at a time and place to be specified in the notice. the applicant shall normally be directed to report himself at a place nearest to his place of residence or business.

(b) A candidate for enrolment in the Auxiliary Air Force shall be physically fit for the appropriate class for which he applied.

26. *Rejection-* If the officer referred to in rule 23 is satisfied after verification that the application is not in order or that the applicant is medically unfit or that he is not otherwise suitable for the Auxiliary Air Force, he shall reject the application and inform the applicant accordingly.

27. *Enrolment-* (a) if the application is accepted for enrolment the applicant shall sign a declaration in part II of Form IV.

(b) If the officer referred to in rule 23 is satisfied that the applicant understands the questions put to him and that he consents to the conditions of service shall sign a certificate to that

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effect in Part III of Form IV and the applicant shall thereupon be deemed to have been enrolled from the date so specified.

28. *Mustering to a group/Trade in a Squadron or Unit* - Every enrolled person shall without undue delay be mustered to a Trade in a Squadron or Unit of the Auxiliary Air Force and on receipt of an order so appointing him, he shall report himself for the purpose of joining such a Squadron or Unit at such time and place as may be specified in the order.

29. *Attestation*- Every person enrolled shall be attested by his Commanding Officer. Attestation shall be on oath of affirmation specified in Form V.

30. *Rank of Airmen*- A person selected as an airman in the Auxiliary Air Force shall be entered as Aircraftsman, 2<sup>nd</sup> class unless by virtue of his merit qualifications and experience is considered suitable by the competent authority for the grant of a higher rank.

31. *Termination of Services*- The service of any member of the Auxiliary Air Force may at any time before the completion of his period of services, be terminated by the Central Govt, provided that, in case of an airman such service may also be terminated by such authority as the Central Govt may from time to time specify,

32. *Transfer between Classes*- Officers and airmen appointed to the Auxiliary Air Force may be transferred from one class to another mentioned in Section 19 of the Act according to the physical fitness, professional aptitude and suitability.

33. *Retirement*- A member of the Auxiliary Air Force shall cease to serve therein after he attains such age as the Central Govt may from time to time specify.

34. *Postings and Attachment*- Subject to the provisions of Section 25 of the Act-

(a) no member of the Auxiliary Air Force may be posted or attached without his consent to any Squadron or Unit other than that to which he was posted on appointment or enrolment.

(b) no member of the Auxiliary Air Force may be posted or attached without the consent to any Squadron or Unit of the Regular Air Force.

Provided that when any such member belonging to a Squadron or Unit ceases to reside in the area where such Squadron or Unit is located he may be posted by the competent authority or such other authority as the competent authority may appoint in this behalf to a Squadron or Unit located in the area in which such member for the time being resides.

35. A member of the Auxiliary Air Force who desires to be posted to another squadron or unit may submit his application to that effect in writing to his Commanding Officer and he shall state in such application the reasons for desiring the posting to the Squadron or Unit to which he desires to be posted or attached. The Commanding Officer shall forward the application to the competent authority for such action as it may think fit.

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**ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

35.A. *Constitution and procedure of Advisory Committee-*

(1) The Central Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, constitute the following advisory committees, namely -

- (a) a Central Advisory Committee for the whole of India.
- (b) a State Advisory Committee for each state and
- (c) a Unit Advisory Committee for every unit of the Auxiliary Air Force

(2) The Central Advisory Committee shall consist of twenty three members to be appointed by the Central Government of whom one shall be the Minister of Defence who shall be the Chairman and another shall be an officer of the Air Force who shall be the Secretary of the Committee.

Provided that the Chief of the Air Staff shall always be a member of the committee.

(3) The State Advisory Committee for every State shall consist of nine members and for every union territory shall consist of five members' to be appointed by the Central Govt of whom one shall be an officer of the Air Force who shall be Secretary of the Committee, and the Central Govt shall nominate any one of the other members to be the Chairman of the Committee.

Provided that in the state advisory committee for any State or Union territory having a council of ministers' a minister of that state shall be appointed a member thereof and where so appointed he shall be the Chairman of that committee.

(4) Every Unit Advisory Committee shall consist of the following members namely:-

- (a) the collector of the district in which the Unit is constituted, who shall be the Chairman.
- (b) one person representing the local authority or authorities established for the district in r/o which the Unit is constituted to be appointed by the State Govt.
- (c) three non-official members to be appointed by the State Govt of whom one shall be a member of the Legislature of the State.
- (d) the secretary of the District Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen's Board and
- (e) the Officers Commanding the auxiliary air force concerned who shall be the Secretary.

(5) Every Advisory Committee shall have power to associate with itself in such manner and for such purpose as may be approved by the Chairman of the Committee any person whose association or advice it may desire in carrying out any of the provisions of the act and these rules, and any person so associated with it for any purpose shall have a right to

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take part in the discussions of the Committee relevant to that purpose, but shall not have a right to vote at a meeting of the committee.

(6) Every Advisory Committee may appoint one or more sub-committees consisting of such number of persons as it thinks fit for the purpose of assisting the Advisory Committee in the efficient discharge of the functions, and it may delegate with or without any conditions or restrictions, as it may think fit, any of its powers and duties to any sub-committee so appointed.

(7) Every Advisory Committee may, by general or special order in writing, delegate to its Chairman or any of its officers, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be specified in the order such of its powers and duties conferred and imposed on it by or under the Act and these Rules as it may deem necessary for the efficient performance of its functions.

(8) Subject to the provisions of these rules, every Advisory Committee may regulate its proceedings in such manner as it thinks fit.

(9) All questions at a meeting of an Advisory Committee or Sub-Committees thereof shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present, and in the case of equality of votes, the chairman, or in his absence, any other person presiding, shall have a second or casting vote.

(10)(a) The quorum of the Central Advisory Committee or a Sub-Committee thereof, shall be as nearly as may be one-fourth of the total strength of the committee or Sub Committee as the case may be subject to a minimum of two members in the case of the said Sub Committee.

(b) The quorum of a State Advisory Committee for a State or Sub Committee thereof having more than five members shall be three, and of a State Advisory Committee for a Union Territory or of a Unit Advisory Committee or a Sub-Committee thereof having five members or less shall be two.

(c) Subject to the quorum specified in Clauses (a) and (b), each of the said Committees or Sub-Committees may act notwithstanding any vacancy in its member.

(11) A minute of the proceedings of each of the Advisory Committee or of Sub-Committees thereof shall be maintained.

(12) A member of any Advisory Committee may resign his office by giving notice in writing to the Central Government through the Advisory Committee or which he is such member but the resignation shall not take effect unless and until it is accepted by the Central Govt and notified in the Official Gazette.

(13) If a vacancy is caused by the reason of death, resignation, or otherwise in the Office of any member of an Advisory Committee, the vacancy so caused shall be filled by nomination of a person by the Central Govt and any person so nominated to fill such vacancy shall hold office so long only as the member in whose place he is nominated would have held office, but the member shall be eligible for re-nomination.

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### 35 B. *Powers and duties of Advisory Committees-*

- (1) It shall be the duty of the Central Advisory Committee to aid and advise the Central Government, in addition to the matters mentioned in the sub-section (2) of section 24, on all questions or matters of policy relating to the recruitment, training discipline, development and expansion of the Auxiliary Air Force and the co-ordination of its functions with those of the State Advisory Committees and on all such other matters connected with the Auxiliary Air Force as may be referred to it by the Central Government.
- (2) The functions of the State Advisory Committee shall be-
  - (i) to encourage the recruitment of suitable persons in the Auxiliary Air Force;
  - (ii) to study any local problem regarding recruitment, training, discipline, development and expansion of the squadrons or units of the Auxiliary Air Force in the State and to report the result of such study to the Central Government and Central Advisory Committee.
  - (iii) to co-ordinate the activities of the various units of the Advisory Committees constituted in a state; and
  - (iv) to advise on any other matter which may be referred to it by the Central Government or by the Central Advisory Committee as the case may be.
- (3) A Unit Advisory Committee, shall aid and advise the Commanding Officer of the squadron or unit of the Auxiliary Air Force for which it is constituted on one or more of the following matters namely:-
  - (i) any local problem which may arise in regard to recruitment, training, discipline and promotion of squadrons or units of the Auxiliary Air Force;
  - (ii) general welfare of members of the squadrons or units of the Auxiliary Air Force;
  - (iii) any other matter which may be referred to it by the Central or State Advisory Committee or the competent authority.

## **CHAPTER IV-B**

### **REINSTATEMENT IN CIVIL EMPLOY OF PERSONS REGISTERED UNDER THE ACT AFTER DISCHARGE**

35 C. *Authority to whom reference under section 27 and application under section 29 may be made -* The prescribed authority referred to in the provision to sub-section (1) of section 27 and sub section (3) of section 29, shall be the chief officer-in-charge of the revenue administration of a district, by whatever designation known, within the local limits of whose jurisdiction the person claiming re-instatement was employed immediately before he was called up for training or service in aid of civil power or Air Force service in India or abroad, under the Act.

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35 D. *Nature of the inquiry by the prescribed Authority* - where a reference is made by any party under the proviso to sub-section (i) of section 27 to the authority specified in rule 35C, a copy of such reference shall be served upon the opposite party and the said authority shall pass any of the orders specified in the aforesaid of proviso after giving both parties a reasonable opportunity of being heard and after making such further inquiries, if any, as it thinks fit.

35 E. *Prescribed rights under Section 28*- When any person is called up for service under section 25, such person may-

(a) at his option, continue to subscribe to any provident or superannuation fund or other scheme for the benefit of employees maintained or managed by the employer in connection with the employment he relinquished immediately before he was called up at a rate applicable to him under the rules regulating the administration of such fund or scheme, as a case may be, and the said employer shall continue to paid it such person's account in the fund or scheme with interest on the amount in such account in accordance with the rules of the fund or scheme.

(b) if the rules regulating the administration of such fund or scheme so permit, withdraw, subject always to the provisions of such rules, sums from the amount standing at his credit in the fund or scheme.

Explanation- For the purposes of calculating the amount of any contribution or withdrawal admissible, the pay of such person shall be deemed to be the pay which he would have received had he not been called up.

35 F. *Recovery of the difference of pay and allowances*- Where an application is made by any member under the provision of sub-section (3) of section 29 to the authority specified in rule 35C, the said authority after giving both parties a reasonable opportunity of being heard and after making such further inquiry, if any, in the matter as it thinks fit may, if it is satisfied that the employer has refused or failed to pay the difference in pay and allowances as provided in sub-section (2) of the said section, determine the amount to which such member is entitled and the amount so determined shall be realized from the employer as if it were a money decree passed by a competent civil court against the employer.

## CHAPTER V

### MISCELLANEOUS

36. *Precedence*- Members of any Air Force Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force will take precedence among themselves according to the dates of appointment in their respective ranks in any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force as the case may be:-

Provided that in determining the precedence *inter se* of any such members who before their appointment were officers in the Air Force, their seniority in the relevant rank in the Air Force shall be taken into consideration.

37. *Resignation of Officers*- (a) An Officer may at any time be called upon to resign his commission in any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force if in the opinion of the Central Government he is guilty of any misconduct or is otherwise unsuitable for retention in service. If

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such officer fails to submit a formal application to resign, his commission, his commission will be terminated compulsorily.

(b) Any officer may apply for permission to resign his commission. Such application shall be supported by a full statement of the circumstances relevant to the case.

38. *Discharge of Airmen-* (a) Any airman may by order of the competent authority be discharged at any time on any of the following grounds.

- (i) medical unfitness,
- (ii) unsatisfactory conduct,
- (iii) inefficiency,
- (iv) if his services are no longer required.

(b) The competent authority may on application of an airman in any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force discharge such airman. Such application shall be supported by a full statement of the circumstances relevant to the case.

39. *Dismissal and Removal-* The Central Govt may dismiss or remove from service any officer or airman of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force before the completion of his period of service should the circumstances in its opinion justify such dismissal or removal.

40. *Discharge Certificate-* Any airman who is removed or discharged from any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall be furnished with a certificate setting forth:-

- (a) the authority terminating his services;
- (b) the cause for such termination;
- (c) the full period of his service in the Air Force Reserve or Auxiliary Air Force; and
- (d) his character and trade proficiency.

41. *Liability to be summoned for Court Martial Court of Inquiry etc-* Members of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall be liable to be summoned to attend as members of or witnesses at a Court Martial Court of Inquiry or a similar body constituted by the Indian Air Force, provided that, no such member shall be liable to be summoned as a member of a Court Martial unless he is subject to the Air Force ACT XLV OF 1950.

42. *Service with Foreign State-* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall not during the period of his service in such Reserve or Force or at any time thereafter serve without the written permission of the Central Govt in any foreign state,

43. *Change of Address-* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall inform the competent authority or such other authority as may be specified by him of any change in his address within 15 days of such change.

44. *Change of next-of-kin-* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall report any change which takes place in the name, address or relationship of his next-of-kin. If the person to whom a member wishes notification of any causality which may occur to him to be sent is not his next- of-kin, he should report any change in that person's name and address also,.

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45. *Inventions-* Members of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force who invent any new pattern of Army Navy or Air Force equipment or any modification thereof shall before applying for patents in respect thereof shall report such invention or modification to the competent authority or such other authority as may be specified by him from time to time.

46. *Visits abroad-* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force proceeding to a foreign country shall travel as a private individual. He shall notify to the competent authority at least four weeks before he leaves India, his intended date of departure, period of absence and his address abroad.

47. *Disclosure of Official information-* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall not publish in any form or communicate either directly or indirectly to the Press any service information or his views on any subject or publish book or articles whether purporting to be fact or fiction which, in any way, deals with any subject with the Armed Forces without the previous permission, in writing from the competent authority.

Explanation- Any statement made by any such member to any relative or a friend which may subsequently be published in any newspaper or otherwise which contains any communication of the nature referred to above shall for the purpose of this rule be deemed to have been made by the member himself.

48. *Association with subversive organisations -* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall not take part in, or associate himself in any manner with, any subversive organisation.

49. *Political activities-* When called up for service under Section 25 of the Act, a member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force shall not:-

(a) take any active part in the affairs of any political organization or party either by acting for or as a member of the candidates election committee, or by speaking in public or publishing or distributing literature in furtherance of the political purposes of such organization or party or in any other manner.

(b) issue an address to any electorate or any other manner publicity announce himself or allow himself to be announced as a candidate or a prospective candidate for election from any constituency to Parliament or other legislature in India.

50. *Witness in private law suits -* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force when served with a notice to give evidence in any private law suit shall, if matters connected with Service duties are involved, at once inform the competent authority or having received such notice. The competent authority shall immediately issue instructions to the member concerned whether any privilege should be claimed in respect of such evidence under section 123 and 124 of the Indian Evidence Act, 1872, and the member shall act in accordance with such instructions.

51. *Training -* (1) Every member of Air Defence Reserve shall undergo training for a period of 4 weeks every year at such times and places in India as may from time to time be determined by the competent authority or any other authority specified by it in this behalf. Such member is liable to carry out the following minimum training every year, that is to say-

(i) Officers (Aircrew)- 20 hours flying and 80 hours of ground training;

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- (ii) Officers (Ground Branches)- 80 hours ground training;
- (iii) Airmen (Aircrew)- 20 hours flying and 80 hours of ground training
- (iv) Airmen (Ground Trades)- 80 hours of ground instructions.

Provided, however, that the competent authority may exempt any member wholly or partly from such training or may extend the period of such training.

(2) Every, member of the Auxiliary Air Force shall undergo such training as may be laid down by the competent authority from time to time and such training shall be carried out at such times and places as may be determined by the competent authority or any other authority specified by it in this behalf.

(3) Where training is not held continuously, one day shall consist of 4 hours of actual training and in cases where training of less than 4 hours is completed during any one day, one day may be made of fractions of a day not more than four in number.

52. *Call-up* (1) Call-up order shall be signed by the competent authority or such other authority as may be specified by him.

(2) The call up order shall be served on members of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force in the following manner:-

(a) by effecting personal service;

or

(b) by issue of the order through registered post;

or

(c) by service on any adult male member of the family,

or

(d) if the order cannot be served in any of the above modes affixing a copy of the order at his last known place of residence.

53. *Wrongful disposal of service property-* Any member of the Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force making away with, selling, pawning, wrongfully or negligently destroying, damaging or losing anything issued to him as a member of such Reserve or Auxiliary Air Force or willfully refusing or neglecting to deliver it on demand anything issued to him as a member of such Reserve or Auxiliary Force, shall be liable to make good the value thereof.

54. *Penalty-* A member of any Air Force Reserve or the Auxiliary Air Force failing to comply with the provisions of any of these rules without reasonable excuse shall be liable to be punished with fine which may extend to Rupees Fifty.

55. *Conditions governing the grant of exemption from any obligation or liability under the Act -*  
(1) A person (hereinafter referred to as the applicant) subject to any obligation or liability under the Act may apply to competent authority nearest to the applicant's usual place of residence or business for exemption from any obligations or liability under the Act or any provision thereof on

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the ground that exceptional hardship would be caused to him if he were called up for service under the Act and such application shall be forwarded to the Central Govt by the competent authority with its recommendations.

(2) The Central Govt may, if satisfied that the applicant would undergo exceptional hardship if called up for service under the Act, grant exemption from only obligation or liability under the Act or any provision thereof to the applicant either absolutely or subject to such conditions, restrictions or reservations as the Central Govt may deem fit to impose;

Provided that the Central Govt may at any time cancel the exemption or modify the conditions, restrictions or reservations, if any subject to which the exemption was granted.

(3) The exemption granted under this rule shall be effective only from such date as may be specified in the order granting the exemption and if no date is specified, from the date of the order.

**SCHEDULE I**

**FORM I**

*Special Order of appointment to the Regular Air Force Reserve under sub-section 2 of section 5 of Reserve & Auxiliary Air Force Act.*

I am directed to inform you that the Govt of India have considered you fit for service with the Regular Air Force Reserve and are pleased to appoint you hereby to the Regular Air Force Reserve with effect from.....

2. You will cease to be a member of the Air Defence Reserve/Auxiliary Air Force wef the date above mentioned.

3. On being appointed to the Regular Air Force Reserve you will cease your rights and obligations to the Air Defence Reserve/Auxiliary Air Force and will be governed by the terms, conditions, liabilities and privileges of the Regular Air Force Reserve as laid down in the Reserve and the Auxiliary Air Forces Act and Rules and many other regulations and orders made from time to time.

Date.....

Place.....

Signature of the Competent Authority

To

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**FORM II**

**PARTICULARS REQUIRED**  
*(Candidates are to fill section 'A' and 'C')*

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**SECTION 'A'**

1. NAME IN FULL (BLOCK CAPITALS)  
In the order in which you wish your name to be shown for official purpose, Underline the SURNAME
2. Permanent Home Address
3. Postal Address (in full)  
Any change of address should be communicated at once to Air Headquarters, New Delhi.

Signature of individual furnishing particulars

Place.....

Date.....

**SECTION 'B'**

(Endorsement to be signed by the employer under whom the individual is employed)

Forwarded.

Place.....

Date .....

Signature.....

Designation.....

**SECTION 'C'**

1. Date of Birth.....
2. Place of Birth.....
3. Religion.....
4. (a) State.....  
(b) District or Division.....
5. Married or single, if married state maiden name of wife, place and date of marriage
6. If married, the number of children their dates of birth and sex
7. Name, address and occupation of next-of-kin showing relationship (if married individual's next-of-kin is his wife)

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8. (a) Are you a citizen of India? If so whether by birth or descent or registration or naturalization or otherwise?  
 (b) Have you migrated from areas now in Pakistan? If so state:  
 (i) What was the date of your migration?  
 (ii) If you migrate from Pakistan on or after 19<sup>th</sup> July, 1948 was a certificate of eligibility issued to you by the Government of India?
9. If you are a vegetarian have you any objection to messing with non-vegetarians or eating food prepared in a non-vegetarian cook-house?
10. (a) Name of father (in full and in BLOCK LETTRS)  
 (b) What is or was his permanent address? What is his present address, if alive?  
 (c) His country of birth  
 (d) Nationality  
 (e) What is or was your father's occupation?  
 (f) Did your father ever change his nationality?
11. (a) Mother's country of birth  
 \*(b) Nationality
12. Has your father or any near relative served in the armed forces of the Indian Union, If so, give brief particulars and attach copies of any documents in support of your statement
13. Give particulars of all examinations you have passed and the class, division or other distinction obtained

\* NATIONALITY denotes the country (India, Nepal, Burmah, etc etc) and not the community (Sikh, Jat, Anglo-Indian etc) to which an individual belongs

+ Examination or degree	Result and Division with distinctions	School/ College where educated	Dates from to	Univ	Sub taken
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+ True copies for certificates to be attached.

14. Professional and/or Technical qualification (i.e. state if in possession of any Ground Engineers Licences or a member of any Chartered Institutions or Associations)  
 (a) For pilots only:-

		Hours flown			
(i)	Type of Air –craft flown	Solo Day	Solo Night	Dual Day	Dual Night
Grand Total		-----			

- (ii) Any other particulars

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(b) (i) For other Air crew:-

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	Hours flown		
	Day	Night	Total
Navigator			
Flt Gunner			
Flt Engineer			
Flt Signaller			

(ii) Any other particulars:-

15. State any language qualifications (oriental and European) and give degree of proficiency in each

16. (a) Are you in possession of any civilian flying licence? If so, attach any documentary evidence in support of your statements

(b) State any other relevant information concerning flying experience, if any

17. (a) What games do you play or have played?

(b) Name any position of authority (e.g., school monitor) or distinction in games or athletics you have achieved, mentioning dates

18. EMPLOYMENT. Give full particulars of your present employment and all employments you have carried out. This should include service in a Government Department with ranks held and relative dates

N.B.- Individual must state to whom he was directly responsible.

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Name of Employer	Date of Joining	Date of leaving	Reason for leaving	Nature of employment	Salary per month	Place & address of employer
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19. Have you ever served in any of the Armed Forces in India, the Reserve of any of the three Services, the Auxiliary Air Force, the Territorial Army or any of the forces of a foreign country. If so, state Service, Units, etc.

(a) For what period (give dates)

(b) Number, Rank held on leaving

(c) Cause of leaving

20. (a) Have you ever been arrested, prosecuted, convicted, bound over, interned, externed, or otherwise dealt with under any Criminal Law in force?

(b) Are you/have you ever been, a member of a party or organisation of a political, cultural nature? If so, state the name of the party or organisation with the period/periods of your membership thereof

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(c) Have you ever been dismissed from any of the Armed Forces in India, the Reserve of any of the three services the Territorial Army, Auxiliary Air Force, National Cadet Corps, Government or Civil employment?

21. "I do hereby declare that I have never at any time deserted or been dismissed or discharged from any combatant or non-combatant capacity in the Armed Forces of any State or Country, and that I have never been sentenced to imprisonment by any Court of Law."

Signature.....

Note:- It is emphasized that legal action will be taken against an individual who is discovered to have made any false declaration(s) which can be verified from exiting records.

22. I do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above information is correct.

Signature of individual  
furnishing particulars.

**FORM III**  
**Application Form**  
*(Candidates are to fill Sections 'A' and 'C')*

**For.....Commission in the Auxiliary Air Force**

**SECTION 'A'**

1. NAME IN FULL (BLOCK CAPITALS) in the order in which you wish your name to be shown for official purposes. Underline the SURNAME.
2. Permanent Home Address
3. Postal Address (in full). Any change of address should be communicated at once to Air Headquarters. New Delhi.
4. I hereby apply for a Commission in the Auxiliary Air Force.

Place.....  
Date.....

.....  
(Applicant's Signature)

**SECTION 'B'**

(Certificate to be signed by the employer under whom the applicant is employed)  
I concur in this application of ..... and I agree to his admission in the Auxiliary Air Force.



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+ True copies for certificates to be attached.

15. State any language qualifications (Oriental and European) and give degree of proficiency in each.

16. (a) Are you in possession of any civilian flying licence? If so, attach any documentary evidence in support of your statements.

(b) State any other relevant information concerning flying experience, if any.

17. (a) What games do you play or have played?

(b) Name any position of authority (e.g. School monitor) or distinction in game or athletics you have achieved, mentioning dates.

18. EMPLOYMENT. Give full particulars of your present employment and all employments you have carried out. This should include service in a Government Department with rank held and relative dates.

N.B.- Applicant must state to whom he was directly responsible and for what personnel, if any.

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Name of Employer	Date of Joining	Date of leaving	Reason for leaving	Nature of employment	Salary per month	Place and address of employer
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19. Have you served in the Navy, Army or Air Force, Indian Territorial Army, N.C.C. or Auxiliary Air Force?

If so, state formation, unit etc.

(a) For what period (Give dates)

(b) Number, Rank held on leaving

20. (a) Have you ever been arrested, prosecuted, convicted, bound over, interned, externed or otherwise dealt with under the Criminal Law Amendment Act or under any Criminal Law in force?

(b) Are you/have you ever been a member of a party or organisation of a political, communal nature? If so, state the name of the party or organisation with the period/periods of your membership thereof?

(c) Have you been dismissed from the Territorial Army, Auxiliary Air Force, N.C.C., Indian Fleet Reserve, or Civil Employment?

21. "I do hereby declare that I have never at any time deserted or been dismissed or discharged from any combatant or non-combatant capacity in the Armed Forces of any State or Country and that I have never been sentenced to imprisonment by any Court of Law".

Signature.....

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22. NOTE- It is emphasized that legal and disciplinary action will be taken against an applicant who is discovered to have made any false declarations(s) which can be verified from existing records. The extent of the disciplinary action will be that the candidate's application will be rejected and that if he is undergoing training such training will be cancelled. The extent of legal action is laid down in Section 182 of the Indian Penal Code.

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**Certificate "C"**

23. I do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above information is correct.

And if I am granted a commission, I further declare that I will serve the constitutionally established Government of India for so long as my services may be required or until my resignation is accepted and that I am prepared to serve in any Branch or Department of the service to which I may be appointed or subsequently transferred and in any part of the world.

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(Signature of witness)  
(A.F.R.O. or other Gazetted or Commissioned Officer)  
Place.....  
Date..... (Signature of applicant)

**FORM IV  
AUXILIARY AIR FORCE**

Form of Enrolment

Enrolment of  
No..... Name..... in the .....Sqdn Unit

**PART I**

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Questions to be put before enrolment

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1. What is your name?
2. What is your father's name and address?
3. Are you a citizen of India?
4. What is your village, Thanna/Police Station, Taluk, Tehsil and Province/State?
5. What is your Post Office?
6. What is your Railway Station?
7. What is your present trade?

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8. What is your religion, caste or tribe?
9. Where are you employed?
10. What are your educational qualifications?
11. What is your age?
12. Have you ever been convicted by a Criminal Court, and if so, in what circumstances, and what was the sentence?
13. Do you now belong to the regular forces or the Reserve?
14. Have you ever served in the regular forces or the Reserve? If so, state the period of service and the cause of discharge.
15. Are you willing to be enrolled under the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Forces Act, 1952?
16. In which unit do you desire to be enrolled?
17. Are you willing to undergo Air Force Training and to perform Air Force Service as specified in the Act and to allow no caste usages to interfere with your Air Force Duty.

NOTE- Non-interference with caste usages will be observed exactly as in the case of the regular forces.

18. Are you willing to serve until discharged as provided in the Act?
19. Have you ever previously applied for enrolment under the Act and if so, with what result?
20. Have you been dismissed from the Territorial Army, Auxiliary Air Force or National Cadet Corps, Indian Fleet Reserve or Civil Employment?
21. Are you willing to be vaccinated or revaccinated?
22. Are you in receipt of any allowance from Government? If so, on what account?

**PART II**

Declaration on acceptance for enrolment

I solemnly declare that the answers I have given to the questions in this form are true and that no part of them is false, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagement made.

Signature or thumb impression.....

**PART III**

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Certified that the applicant understands and agrees to the conditions of enrolment

Signature of enrolling officer.....

Date of enrolment.....

**FORM V**

**Form of Oath**

I,..... Swear in the name of God that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by laws established and that I will, as in duty bound honestly and faithfully serve in the Air Defence Reserve/Auxiliary Air Force of the Union of India and go wherever ordered by air land or sea and that I will obey all commands of the President of the Union of India and the commands of any officer set over me, even to the peril of my life.

**Form of Affirmation**

I,..... Solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully serve in the Air Defence Reserve/Auxiliary Air Force of the Union of India and go wherever ordered by air, land and sea and that I will obey all commands of the President of the Union of India and the commands of any officer set over me, even to the peril of my life.

Signature.....

Sworn/duly affirmed before me at.....this.....day of.....

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Signature of Attesting Officer

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**FORM VI**  
**AIR DEFENCE RESERVE REGISTER**

	Serial No.
	Name in full
	Permanent home address
	Date of Birth
	Married or single
	Name and address of next-of-kin
	Father's name and address
	Educational qualifications
	Professional and/or technical qualifications
	Particulars of present employment
	Result of medical examination
	Result of Enquiry and Selection Board
	Date of Commission/Enrolment
	Date of Termination of Commission/engagement
	Date of Transfer to the Regular Air Force Reserve
	Remarks

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New Delhi, the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2000

S.R.O 140 – In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34 of the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force Act, 1952 (62 of 1952), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force Act Rules, 1953, namely :-

1. These rules may be called the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force Act (Amendment) Rules, 2000,
2. They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
3. For the table below rule 4 of the Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force Act Rules, 1953, the following table shall be substituted, namely :-

Rank	Flying Branch Officers	Non Flying Branch Officers		Airmen
Sqn Ldr & Below	55	59/62*	*in the case of an officer of the Education Branch or of the Meteorological Branch who is fully qualified for that Branch	-
Wg Cdr	57	59/62*	*in the case of an officer of the Education Branch or of the Meteorological Branch who is fully qualified for that Branch	-
Gp Capt	57	62		-
Air Cmde	59	62		-
Air Vice marshal & above	62	62		-
MWO & Airmen	-	-		57

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