



*Superseded by P.C. 17, 4/1/18*

AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT OTTAWA

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL

IN COUNCIL:

WHEREAS during the period of the present War there has grown up a practice which tends to bring the Military and Naval Services into disrepute, to discourage recruiting, to weaken military discipline and to facilitate the commission of frauds - the practice, namely, of the wearing of Military and Naval uniforms and of the wearing of Military and Naval decorations and medals by persons not authorized or entitled to wear them;

Therefore His Excellency the Governor General in Council, with a view to checking the said evil, is pleased, on the recommendation of the Minister of Militia and Defence and under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 6 of the War Measures Act, 1914, to make the following Regulations and orders in lieu of the order and regulation enacted by the Order in Council of 15th August, 1916, (P.C.1931), which is cancelled hereby, and the same are hereby made and enacted accordingly:-

*3 Copies Governor General 4 July 17  
2 High Command Services 4 " "  
3 Copies Militia & Defence 4 " "  
1 Sir George Grey 4 " "  
1 Under Secretary of State 4 " "  
1 Privy Council 15 Dec 1917*

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1. No person who is not an officer or man of the Militia, or an officer or soldier of any other Forces of His Majesty, shall wear any uniform or any articles of clothing so similar to the uniform of any corps of the Militia, or such other Forces, as to be likely to cause any person to believe that such person is an officer or soldier of the Militia, or an officer or soldier of such other Forces; provided that any person who has been an officer or soldier of the Militia or said other Forces of His Majesty, and is retired or has been discharged, otherwise than with disgrace, may wear his uniform when permission for that purpose, in writing, has been obtained from the Officer Commanding the District in which such uniform is worn.

2. Any person who wears uniform pursuant to any permission granted under the last preceding paragraph shall be subject to Military Law, and may be dealt with for purposes of discipline, as if he were attached to the Staff of the District in which such uniform is worn.

3. No person shall wear any Military or Naval Medal, ribbon or decoration, or any mark of distinction signifying that he has been wounded in the present campaign to which he is not by law entitled, or anything worn in the same way as or so similar to any such medal, ribbon or decoration or mark of distinction as to be likely to cause any person to believe that the person wearing the same is by law entitled to wear it.

4. No officer or soldier of the Militia shall wear his uniform when not actually on duty, without special permission, in writing, from the Officer Commanding the District to which he belongs.

5. In any prosecution under this Order-in-Council the onus shall be upon the accused of showing that the wearing of the uniform, articles of clothing, medals, ribbon

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ribbon or decoration, or mark of distinction, with respect to which the charge is laid, was justified in the circumstances.

6. No person shall without lawful authority supply any Naval or Military uniform to any person who is not an officer or man of the Militia or said other Forces of His Majesty.

7. Any person guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of this Order in Council shall be liable on summary conviction, under the provisions of Part XV of the Criminal Code, to a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or three months imprisonment, but nothing in this paragraph shall affect the liability of such person to be proceeded against and punished under Military Law.

R. L. Baden

approved.

Devonshire

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