STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 799 (C. 61)

DEFENCE

The Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Act 2018 (Commencement) Regulations 2018

Made - - - - 29th June 2018

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 3(3) of the Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Act 2018(1).

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Act 2018 (Commencement) Regulations 2018.

Commencement

2. Sections 1 (regular forces: part-time service and geographic restrictions) and 2 (consequential amendments) of the Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Act 2018 come into force on the day after the day on which these Regulations are made.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Tobias Ellwood Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Ministry of Defence

29th June 2018

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring into force sections 1 and 2 of the Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Act 2018 (c. 2) ("the 2018 Act") on the day after the day on which these Regulations are made. Section 3 of the 2018 Act (the only other provision of that Act) came into force on the day on which the Act was passed.

Section 1 of the 2018 Act amends section 329 of the Armed Forces Act 2006 (c. 52) ("the 2006 Act"). Section 329 of the 2006 Act enables the Defence Council to make regulations with respect to the terms and conditions of enlistment and service of persons enlisting, or who have enlisted, in the regular armed forces. The amendments made by section 1 of the 2018 Act enable those regulations to make provision for members of the regular armed forces to serve on a part-time basis and to serve subject to geographic restrictions.

Section 2 of the 2018 Act makes amendments consequential on the introduction of part-time service in the regular armed forces.