

Statutory Rules 1990 No. 378¹

**Defence (Prohibited Words and Letters)
Regulations² (Amendment)**

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Regulations under the *Defence Act 1903*.

Dated 29 November 1990.

BILL HAYDEN
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

GORDON BILNEY
Minister of State for Defence Science and Personnel

1. Amendment

1.1 The Defence (Prohibited Words and Letters) Regulations are amended as set out in these Regulations.

2. Regulation 5 (Offences)

2.1 Omit the regulation, substitute:

Delegation

“5. The Minister may, by instrument, delegate to an officer of the Defence Force who holds a rank not below that of Colonel, or an equivalent rank, his or her powers under regulations 3 and 4.

Offences

“6. A person must not knowingly use a word, words or a group of letters in contravention of regulation 2.

Penalty: \$500.”.

3. Schedule (Prohibited words and groups of letters)

3.1 Omit the Schedule, substitute:



SCHEDULE PROHIBITED WORDS AND LETTERS

PART 1—AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Prohibited Words	Column 3 Prohibited Letters
1	Royal Australian Navy	RAN
2	Her Majesty's Australian Ship	HMAS
3	Her Majesty's Australian Ships	HMA Ships
4	Permanent Naval Forces	
5	Naval Emergency Reserve Forces	NERF
6	Royal Australian Naval Reserve	RANR
7	Royal Australian Fleet Reserve	RAFR
8	Naval	
9	Navy	
10	Naval Forces	

PART 2—AUSTRALIAN ARMY

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Prohibited Words	Column 3 Prohibited Letters
1	Australian Army Reserve	
2	Australian Flying Corps	AFC
3	Australian Imperial Force	AIF
4	Australian Military Forces	AMF
5	Australian Regular Army	ARA
6	Defence Force	
7	Permanent Military Forces	
8	Regular Army Emergency Reserve	
9	Regular Army Supplement	



PART 3—AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Prohibited Words	Column 3 Prohibited Letters
1	Air Force	
2	Air Force Emergency Force	AFEF
3	Australian Air Force Reserve	AAFR
4	Permanent Air Force	PAF
5	Royal Australian Air Force	RAAF

NOTES

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 6 December 1990.
2. Statutory Rules 1957 No. 16 as amended by 1976 No. 51; 1981 No. 102.