

Officer of the Ship may, by his own authority, and without reference to any other person, cause him to be put under arrest or confined as a close prisoner; and may, if he thinks the case requires it, order the prisoner to be disembarked at the first convenient opportunity, transmitting a report in writing, through the Senior Naval Officer present, to the Senior Air-Force Officer in command of the Air Forces, in order that the offender may be brought before an Air-Force Court-Martial.

" 4. The Commanding Officer of the Ship shall have full power, on his own authority, to order an offender, whether Air-Force Officer or Airman, to be placed in either naval or air-force custody, as he shall consider most desirable, observing that in all cases where an offender is to be disembarked for trial by Air-Force authority, he must be placed in Air-Force custody on board the Ship.

" 5. If any Air-Force Officer or Airman commits any act which, in the opinion of the Commanding Officer of the Body of the Air Force embarked, can only be adequately dealt with by a General or District Court-Martial, the offender shall, with the concurrence of the Commanding Officer of the Ship, be disembarked on the first opportunity for the purpose of being proceeded against according to Air-Force law.

" 6. If any Airman shall commit any act against the good order and discipline of the Ship which, in the opinion of the Commanding Officer of the Ship, requires the infliction of any summary punishment for which a warrant is required by the Summary Punishment Table attached hereto, and which he is hereby authorized to award, the Commanding Officer of the Ship shall confer with the Commanding Officer of the Body of the Air Force embarked as to the nature and amount of such punishment, if any, to be inflicted, and on their concurrence the Commanding Officer of the Ship shall, by warrant under his hand, which should also bear the signature of the Officer commanding the Body of the Air Force embarked as concurring, sentence the offender to suffer such punishment accordingly. In the event of the Commanding Officer of that Body not concurring with the Commanding Officer of the Ship, the Commanding Officer of the Ship is to cause

the offender to be placed under arrest or confined as a close prisoner, until the case can be referred to superior Air-Force authority.

" 7. The Commanding Officer of the Body of the Air Force embarked, on his taking command of that Body, will receive from the Captain of the Ship authority under his hand, and in the established form, to award such summary punishments as are specified in the Summary Punishment Table for the Air Force, but such authority will not deprive the Captain of his right to withdraw the original authority given; in the latter case, however, he should report to the Admiralty the circumstances which induced him to deviate from the general rule.

" 8. All orders to the Body of the Air Force embarked are, so far as may be practicable, to be given through their own Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers, and the Commanding Officer of the Ship is to bear in mind that although the discipline of all on board is under his entire control, he is nevertheless to leave the Body of the Air Force embarked to the management of their own Officers so far as may be consistent with the order and discipline of the Ship.

" 9. In special and exceptional cases, where the Commanding Officer of the Ship may deem it necessary for the good order or discipline of the Ship to give such orders as may interfere with existing Regulations, or may affect the internal economy and discipline of the Body of the Air Force embarked, he is to make a special report of the circumstances to the Admiralty.

" 10. When any Airmen of Your Majesty's Air Forces are embarked as passengers in any of Your Majesty's Ships, and there is no Commissioned Officer of the Air Forces on board, the Commanding Officer of the Ship shall possess and may exercise in regard to any such Airmen all the powers conferred upon him by Article 6 in the case of Airmen without conferring with or obtaining the concurrence or signature of any Officer of Your Majesty's Air Forces.

" 11. All summary punishments for Airmen embarked on board Your Majesty's Ships shall be in strict accordance with the Summary Punishment Table appended hereto.

" The Air Council have signified to us their concurrence in these proposals.

"SCHEDULE.

"DESCRIPTION OF SUMMARY PUNISHMENTS TO BE AWARDED TO AIRMEN WHEN EMBARKED IN HIS MAJESTY'S SHIPS.

Number of Air Force Punishments.	Authorized Summary Punishments for Airmen.	By whom to be awarded.	If Warrant required.	Air Force Equivalent.	Remarks.
1	Imprisonment with or without hard labour (not to exceed 42 days)	Captain	Yes	Imprisonment with or without Hard Labour, Day for Day	The offender loses a Badge for any imprisonment or detention
1A	Detention (not to exceed 42 days)	Captain	Yes	Detention, Day for Day	
2	Confinement in cell (not to exceed 14 days)	Captain	Yes		
3	Stoppages in conformity with the Air Force Act, S. 138 (3) and (4)	Captain	Yes	Conviction by Court Martial	Loss of a Badge