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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XIV.

An Act for exempting, during the preſent War, certain Perſons, ſerving in Volunteer Corps, from being ballotted for the Supplementary Militia, under certain Conditions; and for making out new Liſts of Men liable to ſerve in the ſaid Militia.

[9th *January* 1799.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS by an Act, paſſed in the Thirty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for providing an Augmentation to the Militia, to be trained and exerciſed in the Manner therein directed, and for enabling His Majeſty to cauſe the ſame to be embodied, in caſe of Neceſſity, for the Defence of theſe Kingdoms;* all Perſons ſerving in any Corps of Volunteers raiſed by virtue of an Act, paſſed in the Thirty-fourth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for encouraging and diſciplining ſuch Corps or Companies of Men as ſhall voluntarily enrol themſelves for the Defence of their Counties, Towns, or Coaſts, or for the general Defence of the Kingdom, during the preſent War*, and who ſhould have been duly enrolled in ſuch Corps on or before the Twentieth Day of *October* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſix, are exempted from being liable to ſerve perſonally, or to provide a Subſtitute, in the ſaid Supplementary Militia to be raiſed by virtue of the ſaid firſt-recited Act: And whereas it will be conducive to the further Security and Defence of theſe Kingdoms, that the ſaid Exemption ſhould, under certain Conditions, be extended to all Volunteers raiſed, or to be raiſed, under the ſaid laſt mentioned Act, or under an Act, made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, *An Act to enable His Majeſty more effectually to provide for the Defence and Security*

37 *Geo.* III, Cap. 3.

34 *Geo.* III, Cap. 31, and

38 *Geo.* III, Cap. 27, recited.

Security of the Realm during the preſent War; and for indemnifying Perſons who may ſuffer in their Property, by ſuch Meaſures as may be neceſſary for that Purpoſe: May it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That in every Caſe where any Volunteer Corps of Infantry or Cavalry, raiſed under the ſaid Acts paſſed in the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-ſeventh Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, or under either of the ſaid Acts, ſhall conſent and agree, in Manner herein-after mentioned, when called out, to place itſelf under the Command of any General Officer within the Military Diſtrict where ſuch Corps may be formed, to ſerve in any Part of the ſaid Diſtrict in caſe of actual Invaſion, or of the actual Appearance of the Enemy on the Coaſt, or of the Danger of Invaſion being ſo imminent as to make it adviſeable for the Lieutenant or Deputy Lieutenants, or any of them, to give Orders for the Removal of Cattle, Corn, or any other Articles which may be of Advantage to the Enemy, or uſeful to the Publick Service, in the Manner mentioned in the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act, or ſhall conſent and agree, or ſhall have conſented and agreed, to any other more extenſive Conditions of Service, all and every the Perſons enrolled, or to be enrolled, and ſerving in ſuch Corps, ſhall be exempted from being liable to ſerve perſonally, or to provide a Subſtitute to ſerve, in the ſaid Supplementary Militia.

Perſons enrolled in any Volunteer Corps, raiſed under the Acts of the 34th and 37th of His preſent Majeſty, ſhall not, on certain Conditions, be liable to ſerve or provide a Subſtitute, in the Supplementary Militia.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That ſuch Conſent of any ſuch Corps of Volunteers to the Terms and Conditions of Service herein-before mentioned, or to any other more extenſive Conditions of Service, ſhall be certified under the Hand of the Commanding Officer thereof, and that ſuch Certificate ſhall be added to the Muſter Roll herein after mentioned, and ſhall, together with ſuch Muſter Roll, be tranſmitted by ſuch Commanding Officer to the Lieutenant of the County or Place where ſuch Corps ſhall be raiſed; and that the Conſent of each Perſon hereafter to be enrolled in ſuch Corps to the Terms and Conditions of Service ſo agreed to by ſuch Corps, ſhall be ſignified to the Commanding Officer thereof, under the Hand of every ſuch Perſon reſpectively, at the Time of his Enrolment in ſuch Corps; and that ſuch Conſent ſhall thereupon, in every ſuch Caſe, be certified by ſuch Commanding Officer, together with the Return of the Enrolment of ſuch Perſon, to the Lieutenant of the County or Place where ſuch Corps ſhall be raiſed, or to ſuch Perſon as may be appointed by ſuch Lieutenant to receive ſuch Certificates.

Conſent of the Corps to the Conditions to be certified by the Commanding Officer, and added to the Muſter Roll, and tranſmitted to the County Lieutenant, and the Conſent of Perſons hereafter enrolled to be ſignified to the Commanding Officer, &c.

III. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That the Names of all ſuch Volunteers, now enrolled and ſerving in any ſuch Corps, ſhall be entered on a Muſter Roll, a Copy of which ſhall be tranſmitted to the Lieutenant of the County on or before the Tenth Day of *February* next, ſigned by the Commanding Officer of the Corps or Company to which ſuch Volunteers ſhall belong; and that Monthly Returns, ſpecifying the Enrolment of all ſuch Perſons as may after the paſſing of this Act be enrolled in any ſuch Corps, ſhall be, in like Manner, tranſmitted by the Commanding Officer thereof to ſuch Lieutenant, or to ſome Perſon appointed by him to receive the ſame; and that all ſuch Muſter Rolls and

The Names of Volunteers now enrolled to be entered on a Muſter Roll, and tranſmitted to the County Lieutenant, by *Feb.* 10, 1799; and Monthly Returns of Perſons enrolled after the paſſing of this Act,

Returns shall be certified by such Lieutenant, or other Person as aforesaid, to the Clerk of the General Meetings of the Lieutenancy, within Ten Days after they shall have been so transmitted; and the said Clerk of the General Meeting is hereby required forthwith to transmit Copies thereof to the several Subdivision Meetings holden for the Purpose of hearing Appeals against the Militia List returned from each Parish.

to be transmitted, in like Manner, and certified by the Lieutenant to the Clerk of the General Meeting, who shall send Copies to the Subdivision Meetings for hearing Appeals.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That fresh Muster Rolls shall, in the present and every future Year, be transmitted in the like Manner to the Lieutenant of the County, or other Person authorized as aforesaid to receive the same, on or before the Twenty-fourth Day of *December*, and shall be certified by him to the Clerk of the General Meeting thereof by the Fifth Day of *January* following, in the Manner and for the Purposes herein-before mentioned; and that the Commanding Officer so transmitting the same, shall annex thereto a Certificate signed by himself, certifying that he has not, to the best of his Knowledge and Belief, inserted in the said Muster Roll the Name of any Person who has not, since the Date of the passing of this Act, (or since the Date of his Enrolment, if the same shall have been posterior to the passing of this Act), duly attended at the Exercise of the Corps, unless prevented by Sickness, or by such other sufficient Reason as shall have been duly allowed by the Commanding Officer; and no Person shall at any Time be entitled to claim such Exemption as aforesaid, unless his Name shall be found either on the last Muster Rolls which shall have been so transmitted and certified as aforesaid, or on some Monthly Return which shall be posterior thereto.

Muster Rolls to be transmitted Yearly to the County Lieutenants, and certified by them to the Clerks of the General Meetings, and the Commanding Officer to annex a Certificate that the Persons inserted in the Roll have duly attended Exercise.

V. And be it further enacted, That no Person shall be entitled to claim such Exemption as aforesaid by reason of his Enrolment and Service in any Corps of Volunteers, unless the Commanding Officer thereof shall, at the Times of transmitting the Muster Rolls of such Corps in Manner aforesaid, certify at the Foot thereof that such Corps has been inspected at least Once in the Space of the Three Months immediately preceding the Date thereof, by some General or Field Officer of His Majesty's Regular Forces, or, if such Inspection shall not have taken place, that such Corps is ready and willing to be so inspected, at least Twice in the Six Months immediately following, at its usual Place or Places and Times of Meeting; Copies of which Certificates shall be certified by such Lieutenant to the Clerk of the General Meeting, and by him to the Subdivision Meetings, together with the Muster Rolls.

No Person to be entitled to Exemption, unless the Commanding Officer certify that the Corps has been inspected within 3 Months, by a General or Field Officer, or that it is ready to be inspected.

Copies of Certificates to be certified to the Clerk of General Meetings.

VI. And, with a View to the better Execution of this Act, be it further enacted, That His Majesty's Lieutenants of the several Counties and Places in *Great Britain*, shall, Once in every Year, transmit to One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, an Abstract of the several Muster Rolls so transmitted to them respectively within the Year; which Abstract shall express the Names of the several Corps, the Number of Persons enrolled and serving therein respectively, their Conditions of Service, and whether the same have been inspected, or are willing to be inspected, as aforesaid.

County Lieutenants to transmit Yearly to a Secretary of State, an Abstract of the Muster Rolls.

VII. And be it further enacted, That Muster Rolls, Returns, and Certificates, respectively made up, returned, and certified, according to the

Muster Rolls, &c. in the Forms annexed, or

Inſtruments of a ſimilar Import, to be deemed valid.

the ſeveral Forms thereof, A, B, C, and D, annexed to this Act, ſhall be deemed to be ſufficient and valid for the Purpoſes of the ſame; but that if, from any Variation of Circumſtances, or other Reaſon, theſe Forms ſhould not be ſtrictly adhered to, Inſtruments of a ſimilar Import may nevertheleſs be deemed ſufficient for the Purpoſes aforeſaid.

At the Firſt General Meeting after paſſing this Act, and in every future Year, new Liſts of the Men liable to ſerve in the Supplementary Militia, to be made out; and out of which the Subdiviſion Meetings to cauſe the Number wanting to be balloted for.

VIII. And whereas it may be neceſſary, in conſequence of the Proviſions of this Act, to make out new Liſts of Men liable to ſerve in the ſaid Supplementary Militia, be it further enacted, That the Lieutenant, together with Two Deputy Lieutenants, or (on the Death or Removal or in the Abſence of the Lieutenant) any Three Deputy Lieutenants of every County, Riding, or Place, ſhall, in the Manner directed by the ſaid firſt-recited Act, at the Firſt General Meeting to be holden after the paſſing of this Act, cauſe full and correct Liſts to be made out of all Perſons liable to ſerve in the ſaid Supplementary Militia, for ſuch County, Riding, or Place, and in every future Year ſhall in like Manner make out new Liſts, or cauſe the former Liſts to be amended by adding new Names thereto, and ſtriking out the Names of Perſons not liable to be ballotted for the ſaid Supplementary Militia, as the ſaid Lieutenant and Deputy Lieutenants reſpectively ſhall think proper; and the ſaid Deputy Lieutenants ſhall, and they are hereby authorized and required, at their reſpective Subdiviſion Meetings, out of the Liſts which ſhall ſo from Time to Time be made out, to cauſe the Number of Men to be ballotted for which ſhall be wanting to complete the ſaid Supplementary Militia.

Continuance of Act.

IX. And be it enacted, That this Act ſhall have Continuance during the preſent War, and no longer.

FORMS

FORMS referred to in the above ACT.

A.

FORM of Muſter Roll and Certificates, to be tranſmitted by the Commanding Officers of Volunteer Corps to the Lieutenant of the County or Place, on or before the Tenth of *February* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine, and on or before the Twenty-fourth Day of *December*, in that and every ſucceeding Year.

To *A. B.* His Majeſty's Lieutenant for the of

MUSTER ROLL of the Perſons enrolled and ſerving in the of Volunteers, commanded by

No.	Name.	When enrolled	No.	Name.	When enrolled	No.	Name.	When enrolled	No.	Name.	When enrolled	No.	Name.	When enrolled	No	Name.	When enrolled
1	*C. D.*	1 *May* 1794.															
2	*E. F.*																
3	*G. H.*																
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Signed,
December 24th, 17
K. L.
Commanding Officer.

CERTIFICATE.

I, *K. L.* Commanding Officer of the
do hereby certify, in purſuance of an Act of Parliament, paſſed in the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for exempting, during the preſent War, certain Perſons, ſerving in Volunteer Corps, from being ballotted for the Supplementary Militia, under certain Conditions; and for making out new Liſts of Men liable to ſerve in the ſaid Militia*; that the Conditions of Service agreed to by the ſaid Corps of are as follows; *videlicet*, That the ſaid Corps has conſented, (*here ſpecify the Conditions of Service*); and that all and every the Perſons named in the above Muſter Roll have duly ſignified to me, (*or other Commanding Officer of the Corps*), their Conſent thereto.

[*N. B. The following Paragraph is to be omitted in the Muſter Roll to be ſent on or before the Tenth of* February *One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine; but is to be inſerted in all thoſe to be tranſmitted on or before the Twenty-fourth of* December *in each Year.*]

(And I do further certify, That I have not, to the beſt of my Knowledge and Belief, inſerted, or cauſed to be inſerted, in the above Muſter Roll, containing (*ſpecify the Number*) Names, the Name of any Perſon who has not, ſince the Date of the paſſing the ſaid Act of the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, [*or* ſince the Date of his Enrolment, *if the ſame has been poſterior to the paſſing the ſaid Act*,] duly attended at the Exerciſe of the Corps, unleſs prevented by Sickneſs, or by ſuch other ſufficient Reaſon as hath been duly allowed by me, or by the Commanding Officer of the Corps for the Time being.)

And I do further certify, That the ſaid Corps (hath, in the Courſe of the Three Months immediately preceding the Date hereof, been inſpected by *A. B.* General (*or* Field) Officer in His Majeſty's Service), *or*, (hath not within the laſt Three Months been inſpected in the Manner required by the ſaid Act, but is ready and willing to be ſo inſpected, as in the ſaid Act is provided.)

Signed,

K. L.
Commanding Officer.

Dated the 17

B.

FORM of Conſent of each Perſon hereafter to be enrolled in any Corps of Volunteers, to the Conditions of Service thereof.

To *K. L.* Commanding Officer of the of Volunteers.

I, *C. D.* having enrolled myſelf in the ſaid Corps, do hereby conſent and engage myſelf to the Conditions of Service thereof, *videlicet*, [*here ſpecify the Conditions of Service, either in the Words of this Act, or otherwiſe, as the Caſe may be.*]

Signed *C. D.*

Dated the 17

C.

FORM of Monthly Return and Certificate of Volunteer Corps, to be tranſmitted by the Commanding Officer thereof to the Lieutenant of the County or Place.

To *A. B.* His Majeſty's Lieutenant for the of

MONTHLY RETURN of the of commanded by

Colonel.	Lieut. Colonel.	Major.	Captains.	Captain Lieut.	Lieutenants.	Cornets.	Enſigns.	Quarter Maſters.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Trumpeters.	Drummers.	Fifers.	Privates.	Enrolled ſince laſt Return.		Diſcharged or dead ſince laſt Return.	
															No	Names.	No.	Names.

Signed, *K. L.* Commanding Officer.

I, *K. L.* Commanding Officer of the do hereby certify, that the ſeveral Perſons whoſe Names are herein contained, as enrolled in the ſaid Corps ſince the laſt Return thereof, have duly ſignified to me (*or other Commanding Officer of the Corps*), under their Hands, their Conſent to the Conditions of Service thereof.

D.

ABSTRACT of Muſter Rolls to be Yearly tranſmitted by the Lieutenants of Counties, &c. to one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

To *M. N.* one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

ABSTRACT of Muſter Rolls of Volunteer Corps within the of received by me *O. P.* His Majeſty's Lieutenant for the ſame, ſince the Day of in the Year

No.	Names and Deſcription of Corps.	Number of Perſons enrolled, and ſerving therein.	Conditions of Service.	When inſpected, or if willing to be ſo, as required by the Act 39 Geo. III.
1	Gentlemen and Yeomanry.	60	As required in the Act 39 *Geo.* III.	Inſpected 25 *Oct.* 1799.
2	Infantry.	100	Within the ſaid Town only.	Not inſpected, but willing to be ſo.
3	Ditto.	70	In any Part of *Great Britain.*	Ditto.
&c.	&c.	&c.	&c.	&c.

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