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**Army Act, 1950**

**Section 36 - Offences punishable more severely on active service than at other times: Any person subject to this Act who commits any**

a) forces a safeguard, or forces or uses criminal force to a sentry; or (b) breaks into any house or other place in search of plunder; or (c) being a sentry sleeps upon his post, or is intoxicated; or (d) without orders from his superior officer leaves his guard, picquet, patrol or post; or (e) intentionally or through neglect occasions a false alarm in camp, garrison, or quarters; or spreads reports calculated to create unnecessary alarm or despondency; or (f) makes known the parole, watchword or countersign to any person not entitled to receive it; or knowingly gives a parole, watchword or countersign different from what he received; shall, on conviction by court-martial, if he commits any such offence when on active service, be liable to suffer imprisonment for a term which may extend to fourteen years or such less punishment as is in this Act mentioned; and if he commits any such offence when not on active service, be liable to suffer imprisonment for a term which may extend to seven years or such less punishment as is in this Act mentioned.