

Coast Guard Act, 1978

Section 87 - Evidence of Previous Convictions and General Character

(1) When any person subject to this Act has been convicted by a Coast Guard Court of any offence, such court may inquire into, and receive, and record evidence of any previous convictions of such person, either by a Coast Guard Court or by a criminal court, or any previous award of punishment under section 57 [1](#) [or section 57A], and may further inquire into and record the general character of such person and such other matters as may be prescribed.

(2) Evidence received under this section may be either oral, or in the shape of entries in, or certified extracts from, books of Coast Guard Courts or other official records; and it shall not be necessary to give notice before trial to the person tried, that evidence as to his previous convictions or character will be received.

1. Inserted by The Coast Guard (Amendment) Act, 2002. w.e.f. 12.08.2002.
