

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 of the following offences, that is to say,--

- (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.
