



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
**Act No. 28 of 1963**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to make provision for the constitution, organisation,  
training and discipline of a Cadet Force.

*[Assented to 18th July, 1963.]*

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by Enactment.  
and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House  
of Representatives of Trinidad and Tobago, and by the  
authority of the same, as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the Cadet Force Act, 1963. Short title.

## Interpretation.

## 2. In this Act—

- (a) "cadet" means a non-commissioned officer or cadet enrolled in the Cadet Force;
- (b) "Cadet Force" means the Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force established under subsection (1) of section 3;
- (c) "Commandant" means the person appointed by the Governor-General under subsection (2) of section 3;
- (d) "Defence Force" means the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force established by section 5 of the Defence Act, 1962;
- (e) "Minister" means the Minister to whom responsibility for defence is assigned;
- (f) "officer" means a member of the Cadet Force granted a commission by the Governor-General under section 5 and carrying rank and precedence within the Cadet Force;
- (g) "unit" includes any headquarters or a battalion or ship or aircraft or other body of the Cadet Force established under section 3 and declared by the Minister to be a unit.

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## Establishment of Cadet Force, appointment of Commandant and purposes of Force.

3. (1) There is hereby established a Cadet Training Force to be known as the Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force consisting of such units as the Governor-General may from time to time think fit to be formed, and styled by such designations as the Governor-General shall declare by notice published in the *Gazette*.

(2) The Cadet Force shall be under the command of a Commandant appointed by the Governor-General.

## Composition and salaries, &amp;c. of Cadet Force.

4. The Commandant, the staff and members of the Cadet Force shall receive such salaries and allowances as may be provided by Parliament.

## Grant of Commissions in the Cadet Force.

5. (1) The Governor-General may grant commissions conferring such rank upon officers of the Cadet Force as he may think fit.

(2) Every officer on being granted a commission shall be issued with a commission in the form set out in the Schedule.

(3) The grant of a commission to an officer shall be notified in the *Gazette*.

(4) The Governor-General may approve of the promotion of any officer to any higher rank.

6. Commissioned officers of the Cadet Force shall have and enjoy the same status as commissioned officers of the Defence Force, but an officer of the Cadet Force shall rank after an officer of the same rank in the Defence Force.

Commissioned officers of Cadet Force to hold same status as Commissioned Officers of the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force.

7. (1) The Minister may make regulations for the better carrying out of this Act.

Regulations.

(2) Regulations made under this section may, without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of subsection (1), provide—

- (a) for the discipline and training of members of the Cadet Force;
- (b) for the enlistment, rank, precedence, appointment, promotion and command *inter se* of members of the Cadet Force other than officers;
- (c) for the uniforms, insignia and badges to be worn by members of the Cadet Force; and
- (d) for the constitution, organisation and strength of the Cadet Force.

8. (1) The Trinidad Cadet Force (in this section referred to as "the former Corps") authorised by the Governor of the former Colony of Trinidad and Tobago shall for all purposes be deemed to be the Cadet Force established under section 3.

Transitional provisions.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of section 3, the person who immediately before the commencement of this Act held the office of Commanding Officer of the former Corps shall be deemed to have been validly appointed to the office of Commandant of the Cadet Force.

(3) All persons who immediately before the commencement of this Act held commissions in the former Corps shall be deemed to have been validly commissioned in the Cadet Force established under section 3 in the rank they held in the former Corps immediately before the commencement of this Act.

(Section 5 (2))

## SCHEDULE

## FORM OF GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S COMMISSION

To ..... GREETINGS :

Reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty, courage and good conduct; I do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be an Officer in the Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force from the day of , 19.....

You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge your duty as such in the rank of.....or in such higher rank as you may from time to time hereafter be promoted or appointed to, of which a notification will be made in the *Gazette*, and you are at all times to exercise and well Discipline in Arms such Officers and members of the Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force serving under you and use your best endeavour to keep them in good Order and Discipline. And I do hereby command them to obey you as their Superior Officer, and you to observe and follow such Orders and Directions as from time to time you shall receive from me, or any other, your Superior Officer, in pursuance of the Trust hereby reposed in you.

Given at  
day of

Trinidad and Tobago, this  
, 19.....

*Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief,  
Trinidad and Tobago*

Passed in the House of Representatives this 12th day of July, 1963.

G. R. LATOUR  
*Clerk of the House of Representatives*

Passed in the Senate this 17th day of July, 1963.

J. P. OTTLEY  
*Clerk of the Senate*