

AN OFFICER COMMISSIONED IN THE MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE SHALL TAKE AN OATH SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM REQUIRED FOR OFFICERS OF THE ORGANIZED MILITIA, SUBSTITUTING "MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE" WHERE NECESSARY IN THE OATH.

(C) ENLISTED INDIVIDUAL'S OATH.

AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ENLISTS IN THE MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE SHALL TAKE AN OATH SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM REQUIRED FOR ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ORGANIZED MILITIA, SUBSTITUTING "MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE" WHERE NECESSARY IN THE OATH.

(D) ENLISTMENT PERIOD.

(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE ENLISTMENT PERIOD IN THE MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE IS 2 YEARS AND MAY BE RENEWED.

(2) IF THE NATIONAL GUARD IS CALLED INTO ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE, ALL ENLISTMENTS SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL 6 MONTHS AFTER THE NATIONAL GUARD HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE UNLESS THE ENLISTED INDIVIDUAL IS DISCHARGED SOONER BY THE PROPER AUTHORITY.

(E) RESIGNATION OR DISCHARGE.

THE GOVERNOR MAY ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF AN OFFICER OR GRANT A DISCHARGE TO AN ENLISTED INDIVIDUAL AT ANY TIME.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 65, §§ 64, 73, 74, and 75.

In subsections (a) and (e) of this section, the term enlisted "individual[s]" is substituted for the former terms enlisted "men" and "man". See General Revisor's Note to title.

In subsection (a) of this section, the word "compensation" is substituted for the former word "pay" to conform to similar provisions in other revised articles of the Code.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to "the organized militia" is deleted as surplusage.

In subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the word "required" is substituted for the former word "prescribed" for consistency with other revised articles of the Code.

Defined terms: "Maryland Defense Force" § 13-101
"National Guard" § 13-101

13-505. REQUIREMENTS BY GOVERNOR.

(A) ARMS AND EQUIPMENT.