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194.01 NAVAL FORCE. There shall be allowed in addition to the land military forces of the state now authorized by law a naval force to be known as the Minnesota Naval Militia.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2518)

194.02 COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF; REGULATIONS; POWERS. The governor shall be commander-in-chief of the Naval Militia, except when it is called into the service of the United States. He shall make and publish through the adjutant general regulations for the government of the Naval Militia and shall have all the powers necessary to carry into full effect the provisions of this chapter.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2519)

194.03 NOT TO EXCEED EIGHT COMPANIES. The Naval Militia shall consist of not to exceed eight divisions or companies and a squadron of air service, organized into such number of battalions as the tactical situation may require.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1; 1909 c. 389 s. 1; 1915 c. 353 s. 1; 1929 c. 296 s. 1] (2520)

194.04 COMPOSITION. The Naval Militia shall be composed of such officers, warrant officers, petty officers and enlisted men as the secretary of the navy shall prescribe for a battalion and for a division of the Naval Militia.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1; 1915 c. 353 s. 3] (2521)

194.05 NUMBER OF OFFICERS AND MEN. For the purpose of conforming the Naval Militia more closely to the organization of the Naval Militia of the United States as the same may be, from time to time, prescribed by the secretary of the navy and not otherwise, the governor may fix the number and grade of officers, warrant officers, petty officers and enlisted men therein.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1; 1915 c. 353 s. 3] (2522)

194.06 LINE AND STAFF OFFICERS, HOW APPOINTED. Line and staff officers below the grade of captain shall be selected and appointed by the commanding officer and commissioned by the governor. Officers above the grade of commander shall be selected and appointed by the governor upon the recommendation of the adjutant general.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1; 1927 c. 314 s. 1] (2524)

194.07 PETTY OFFICERS. Petty officers shall be appointed by the battalion commander upon the recommendation of their commanding officer.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2525)

194.08 TERM OF SERVICE; ENLISTMENTS. Men between the ages of 18 and 45 years shall be mustered in for the term of four years unless sooner discharged by competent authority. Every recruit shall sign an enlistment paper, the form of which shall be prescribed by the adjutant general, and which shall contain an oath of allegiance to the state and the United States.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1; 1927 c. 314 s. 2] (2526)

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194.09 OFFICERS, HOW COMMISSIONED. Officers shall be commissioned by the governor with rank from date of their election or appointment subject to such examination as may be prescribed by the governor.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2527)

194.10 EXAMINING BOARD. The governor may appoint an examining board to consist of not less than two, or more than five, commissioned officers of the naval militia, one of whom may be an officer of the United States navy; whose duty it shall be to determine the qualifications of candidates for commission, and to inquire into the capability of any subordinate officer who may be sent before such board by his superior officer with the approval of the governor.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2528)

194.11 DISCIPLINE. When not otherwise provided for, the government and discipline of the Minnesota Naval Militia shall be controlled by the provisions of the military code relating to the government and discipline of the National Guard so far as the same may be applicable to the naval forces. The naval forces shall be subject to the articles and regulations for the government of the United States navy to the same extent as members of the National Guard are subject to the articles of war and regulations of the United States army.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2529)

194.12 ANNUAL CRUISE. The governor shall order the Naval Militia on a tour of duty or cruise each year, within or without the state, for such period as he may direct, such annual cruise not to consume more than two weeks in any one year.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2530)

194.13 PAY AND ALLOWANCES. For each day's service in complete uniform at the annual tour of duty or service, when ordered by the governor, there shall be paid to each officer, warrant officer, petty officer, enlisted man, or seaman the same pay and allowance as are prescribed by federal law for like grades in the United States navy. There may be allowed annually to the battalion commander and staff and to each division or company of the Naval Militia the same inspection allowance and the same allowance for incidental expenses as is now paid commanding officers and men of the Minnesota National Guard, these allowances to be paid under the same regulations as govern the payment of the like allowances to a regiment or company of infantry of the Minnesota National Guard.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1; 1909 c. 389 s. 1; 1927 c. 314 s. 3] (2531)

194.14 PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES. The governor, the adjutant general, and the commanding officer of the Naval Militia are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of purchasing the clothing which may be necessary for the uniforming of the Naval Militia. Clothing, ordnance, and other stores for the Naval Militia shall be purchased in the manner prescribed by the military code for the purchase of stores for the National Guard.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2532)

194.15 ARMORY PROVISIONS TO APPLY TO NAVAL MILITIA. All of the provisions of the military code relating to armories shall be construed to include and apply to any division of Naval Militia now or hereafter organized in this state.

The word "armory," as used in the military code, shall be held to include any vessel anchored, moored, or secured to land, or any boat, boat-house, or dock, used for the purpose of instruction, drill, or defense.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34, s. 1; 1921 c. 506 s. 121] (2515, 2533)

194.16 OTHER DUTIES. The Naval Militia shall perform such other duty as may be required by the governor.

[1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2533)

194.17 EXEMPTIONS. The exemptions and privileges granted by law to the officers and enlisted men of the National Guard are extended to the members of the Naval Militia.

[R. L. ss. 1150-1153; 1905 c. 34 s. 1] (2534)