



## **Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal**

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### **DECISION**

*Defence Act 1903*  
s.58H—Functions and powers of Tribunal

#### **DETERMINATIONS 2 OF 2017 AND 11 OF 2013 - TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS OMNIBUS**

(Matter 14 of 2021)

MS I. ASBURY, PRESIDENT

MR A. MORRIS, MEMBER

CANBERRA, 12 OCTOBER 2021

MAJGEN G. FOGARTY AO RETD, MEMBER

[1] This decision arises from a listing application<sup>1</sup> made by the Australian Defence Force (ADF) under s.58H of the *Defence Act 1903*. The listing application seeks minor administrative amendments and corrections to the consolidated DFRT Determinations 2 of 2017 – *Salaries* and 11 of 2013 – *ADF Allowances*. We considered this matter by video hearing on 20 September 2021 where Mr J. Phillips SC appeared for the ADF and Mr H. Miller for the Commonwealth.

[2] The ADF submission proposes a series of minimal amendments to both consolidated determinations to provide clarification, reflect contemporary nomenclature, and/or provide for greater precision. These changes include renaming seven Army employment categories;<sup>2</sup> amendment to provisions for Maritime Disability Allowance in regard to the deeming of vessel type; and exact determination of the term “*midday*” related to Field Allowance eligibility.<sup>3</sup>

[3] The Commonwealth submission notes all of the changes “*are minor and involve no variation to pay grades*”, accepting they will “*better reflect contemporary practice*”.<sup>4</sup>

[4] We agree the changes as submitted are policy neutral and only go to providing accuracy or enhanced clarity of application in each of the consolidated determinations.

[5] In order to make the required range of amendments and provide correction and clarification we issue Determination 15 of 2021 with effect from 12 October 2021.

MS I. ASBURY, PRESIDENT  
MR A. MORRIS, MEMBER  
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<sup>1</sup> DMR/OUT/2020/22 Listing Application – *Technical Amendments Omnibus* dated 19 August 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Psychology Officer to Army Psychologist; Radiographer Officer to Medical Imaging Specialist; Therapeutical Officer to Physiotherapist; Scientific Officer to either Pathology Officer or Infectious Disease Officer; Preventative Medicine to Preventative Medicine Technician and Combat Support Operator Detachment Second in Command (Reserve) to Combat Support Operator Second in Command (Reserve).

<sup>3</sup> ADF Submission *DFRT Determination 2 of 2017 – Salaries and DFRT Determination 11 of 2013 – ADF Allowances - Technical amendments Omnibus* undated.

<sup>4</sup> Commonwealth submission *DFRT Determinations 2 of 2017 – Salaries, DFRT Determination 11 of 2013 – ADF Allowances Technical Amendments Omnibus* dated September 2012 page 3 paragraph 17.