

calendar month as the time within which all parts of the unit must be included in a series of formations in order to be credited as an assembly for drill and instruction.

1964—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 88-621 added subsec. (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1967 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-168 effective first day of first calendar month following date of enactment of Pub. L. 90-168, which was approved Dec. 1, 1967, see section 7 of Pub. L. 90-168, set out as a note under section 138 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

§ 503. Participation in field exercises

(a)(1) Under such regulations as the President may prescribe, the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of the Air Force, as the case may be, may provide for the participation of the National Guard in encampments, maneuvers, outdoor target practice, or other exercises for field or coast-defense instruction, independently of or in conjunction with the Army or the Air Force, or both.

(2) Paragraph (1) includes authority to provide for participation of the National Guard in conjunction with the Army or the Air Force, or both, in joint exercises for instruction to prepare the National Guard for response to civil emergencies and disasters.

(b) Amounts necessary for the pay, subsistence, transportation, and other proper expenses of any part of the National Guard of a State, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, or the Virgin Islands participating in an exercise under subsection (a) may be set aside from funds allocated to it from appropriations for field or coast-defense instruction.

(c) Members of the National Guard participating in an exercise under subsection (a) may, after being mustered, be paid for the period beginning with the date of leaving home and ending with the date of return, as determined in advance. If otherwise correct, such a payment passes to the credit of the disbursing officer.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 610; Pub. L. 100-456, div. A, title XII, §1234(b)(1), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 2059; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title V, §517, Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 309; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title X, §1057(b)(3), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3441.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
503(a)	32:63 (1st 56 words).	June 3, 1916, ch. 134, §§94
503(b)	32:63 (less 1st 56 words).	(less last 43 words after semicolon), 98, 39 Stat. 206, 207.
503(c)	32:158.	

In subsection (a), the words “the whole or any part” and “any part of” are omitted as surplusage. The word “Army” is substituted for the words “Regular Army”, since the Army is the category that participates in the exercises, and the Regular Army is a personnel category only. Similarly, the words “Air Force” are used instead of the words “Regular Air Force”.

In subsection (b), the words “Amounts necessary” are substituted for the words “such portion of said funds as may be necessary”. The words “participating in an exercise under subsection (a)” are substituted for the words “as shall participate in such encampments, maneuvers, or other exercises, including outdoor target practice, for field and coast-defense instruction”. The

words “allocated to it from appropriations for field or coast-defense instruction” are substituted for the words “appropriated for that purpose and allocated to any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia”.

In subsection (c), the words “Members of the National Guard participating in an exercise under subsection (a)” are substituted for the words “When any portion of the National Guard shall participate in encampments, maneuvers, or other exercises, including outdoor target practice, for field or coast-defense instruction, under the provisions of this title”. The words “duly”, “at any time”, “rendezvous”, “both dates inclusive”, and “making the same” are omitted as surplusage.

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-163 substituted “State, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, or the Virgin Islands” for “State or Territory, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia”.

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-106 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

1988—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-456 struck out “the Canal Zone,” after “Puerto Rico.”.

§ 504. National Guard schools and small arms competitions

(a) Under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army or Secretary of the Air Force, as the case may be, members of the National Guard may—

- (1) attend schools conducted by the Army or the Air Force, as appropriate;
- (2) conduct or attend schools conducted by the National Guard; or
- (3) participate in small arms competitions.

(b) Activities authorized under subsection (a) for members of the National Guard of a State or territory, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia may be held inside or outside its boundaries.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 611; Pub. L. 88-621, §1(2), Oct. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 999; Pub. L. 100-456, div. A, title XII, §1234(b)(1), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 2059.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
504(a)	32:64 (1st sentence).	June 3, 1916, ch. 134, §97
504(b)	32:64 (less 1st sentence).	(less last sentence); re-stated May 28, 1926, ch. 417, §2 (less last sentence), 44 Stat. 674.

In subsection (a), the word “members” is substituted for the words “officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men”. The words “for the purpose” and “for that purpose” are omitted as surplusage.

In subsection (b), the words “Assemblies under subsection (a)” are substituted for the words “such assemblies”. The words “for members of the National Guard of a State or Territory, Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, or the District of Columbia * * * inside or outside of its boundaries” are substituted for the words “either within or without the State, Territory, or District of Columbia, to which the members of the National Guard designated to attend them shall belong”.

AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-456 struck out “the Canal Zone,” after “Puerto Rico.”.

1964—Pub. L. 88-621 substituted provisions authorizing the Secretaries of the Army and of the Air Force to issue regulations, for provisions authorizing the President to issue regulations, and provided that members of the National Guard may conduct or attend schools conducted by the National Guard.

§ 505. Army and Air Force schools and field exercises

Under such regulations as the President may prescribe and upon the recommendation of the governor of any State, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands or of the commanding general of the National Guard of the District of Columbia, the Secretary of the Army may authorize a limited number of members of its Army National Guard to—

- (1) attend any service school except the United States Military Academy, and to pursue a regular course of study at the school; or
- (2) be attached to an organization of the branch of the Army corresponding to the organization of the Army National Guard to which the member belongs, for routine practical instruction at or near an Army post during field training or other outdoor exercise.

Similarly, the Secretary of the Air Force may authorize a limited number of members of the Air National Guard to—

- (1) attend any service school except the United States Air Force Academy, and to pursue a regular course of study at the school; or
- (2) be attached to an organization of the Air Force corresponding to the organization of the Air National Guard to which the member belongs, for routine practical instruction at an air base during field training or other outdoor exercise.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 611; Pub. L. 100-456, div. A, title XII, §1234(b)(4), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 2059; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title X, § 1057(b)(4), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3441.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
505	32:65.	June 3, 1916, ch. 134, §99 (1st 133 words); restated Sept. 22, 1922, ch. 423, §5 (1st 129 words); restated May 28, 1926, ch. 417, §3 (1st 133 words), 44 Stat. 674.

The words “branch of the Army corresponding” are substituted for the words “same arm, corps, or department”, to conform to sections 3063 and 3064 of title 10. In the second sentence, the words “organization of the Air Force corresponding” are substituted for the words “same arm, corps, or department”, since the Air Force is not organized by statute into branches, arms, corps, or departments. The word “members” is substituted for the words “officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men”. The words “service school” are substituted for the words “military-service school of the United States”. Reference to the United States Air Force Academy is inserted to reflect its establishment by the Air Force Academy Act (63 Stat. 47).

AMENDMENTS

2006—Pub. L. 109-163 substituted “State, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands” for “State or Territory or Puerto Rico” in introductory provisions.

1988—Pub. L. 100-456, which directed the substitution of “Territory or Puerto Rico” for “Territory, Puerto Rico, or the Canal Zone,” in subsec. (a), was executed to the introductory provisions of this section as the probable intent of Congress.

§ 506. Assignment and detail of members of Regular Army or Regular Air Force for instruction of National Guard

(a) The President shall assign for instruction of the National Guard such members of the Regular Army or the Regular Air Force as he considers necessary.

(b) The Secretary of the Army may detail members of the Regular Army to attend an encampment, maneuver, or other exercise, for field or coast-defense instruction of the Army National Guard. Similarly, the Secretary of the Air Force may detail members of the Regular Air Force to attend exercises for field or coast-defense instruction of the Air National Guard. Members so detailed shall instruct the members of the National Guard at the exercise, as directed by the Secretary concerned, or as requested by the governor or commanding officer of the National Guard there assembled.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 611.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
506(a)	32:66.	June 3, 1916, ch. 134, §81 (1st sentence of 2d par., less 1st 7 words); added June 4, 1920, ch. 227, subch. I, §44 (5th sentence, less 1st 6 words); restated Sept. 22, 1922 ch. 423, §4 (6th sentence, less 1st 6 words); restated Feb. 28, 1925, ch. 371, §3 (6th sentence, less 1st 6 words); restated June 15, 1933, ch. 87, §16 (1st sentence of 2d par., less 1st 7 words), 48 Stat. 160. June 3, 1916, ch. 134, §96, 39 Stat. 207.
506(b)	32:67.	

In subsection (a), the words “members of the Regular Army and the Regular Air Force” are substituted for the words “officers of the Regular Army” and “enlisted men of the Regular Army”.

In subsection (b), the words “members” is substituted for the words “officers and enlisted men”. The words “one or more”, “information”, and “encampment, maneuver, or other” are omitted as surplusage.

§ 507. Instruction in firing; supply of ammunition

Ammunition for instruction in firing and for target practice may be furnished, in such amounts as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army or the Secretary of the Air Force, as the case may be, to units of the National Guard encamped at a post, camp, or air base. The instruction shall be under the direction of a commissioned officer selected for that purpose by the proper military commander.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 612.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
507	32:71.	Jan. 21, 1903, ch. 196, §21, 32 Stat. 779.

The words “post camp, or air base” are substituted for the words “military post or camp”. The words “such amounts” are omitted as surplusage. The words “National Guard” are substituted for the words “troops of the militia”, since the source statute historically applied only to the organized militia (see opinion of the