

Georgia State Defense Force
SERVICE COMMITMENT & TERMS

**REG
601-3**

Regulation Number:	GSDFR 601-3
Title:	Service Commitment & Terms
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New / Revised:	New
Applicability:	This regulation applies to all GSDF personnel.
Supplementation:	Local supplementation, revision or alteration is not authorized. Comments and suggested changes may be submitted in writing to the G1.
Proponent:	ACoS, G1
Appendices:	None

1. All first time applicants for membership in the GSDF shall agree to the contractual service commitment terms contained in the GSDF Application Form (601-1A). These terms require new members to actively serve in the GSDF for a minimum period of two (2) years. The term "Actively Serve" is generally defined as:

- a) successful completion of Initial Entry Training (IET),
- b) successful completion of required FEMA courses,
- c) successful completion of unit indoctrination or specialized MOS training,
- d) obtaining all required certifications (i.e., CPR, First Aid, etc),
- e) attending and participating in at least 10-12 monthly drills during each 12-month period, and
- f) attendance and participation at each Annual Training.

2. The same terms described above shall apply to former GSDF personnel who have been dropped from the rolls due to lack of attendance or other unexplained absences from duty, and who apply for re-entry to the GSDF.

3. All GSDF officers and non-commissioned officers who accept appointment to a higher grade/rank shall agree to a contractual service commitment to actively serve in that grade/rank for a period of two (2) years following appointment.

4. All GSDF officers serving in senior Command and Staff positions shall designate and train a responsible successor capable of assuming the duties of their position in event of their absence or their inability to carry out required duties.

5. The term of office for the following GSDF command and staff positions shall be limited to a period of four (4) years. The GSDF Commanding General shall have the right to extend an individual in-position for a period of one (1) year beyond term-expiration when such is deemed essential to the best interests of the GSDF. Officers currently serving in these positions shall be grandfathered under the terms of this Regulation and their four-year term limits begin effective with the date of this Regulation. The positions governed by these terms are:

- a) Deputy Commander
- b) Chief of Staff
- c) ACoS, G1
- d) ACoS, G2
- e) ACoS, G3
- f) ACoS, G4

6. The term of office for the following GSDF command and staff positions shall be limited to a period of three (3) years from date of appointment to that office. The GSDF Commanding General shall have the right to extend an

individual in position for a period of one (1) year beyond term-expiration when such is deemed essential to the best interests of the GSDF. The positions governed by these conditions are:

- a) Commander, Support Command
- b) Commander, Ready Reserves
- c) Commander, Brigades
- d) Section Chiefs, Comptroller, Family Assistance, JAG, Medical, PAO

7. The term of office for the following GSDF command and staff positions shall be limited to a period of two (2) years from date of appointment to that office. The GSDF Commanding General shall have the right to extend an individual in position for a maximum period of one (1) additional year beyond term-expiration when such is deemed essential to the best interests of the GSDF. The positions governed by these conditions are:

- a) Battalion Commanders
- b) Company Commanders
- c) Brigade Executive Officers
- d) Section Deputy Officers

8. Resignations: All officers and non-commissioned officers who must resign from the GSDF due to pressing family or work-related reasons must provide at least two (2) months notice.

9. Discharge Orders: Failure of officers and non-commissioned officers to meet their service commitments or resignation notification period described above shall result in terminating individual under "General Discharge" which may prohibit future re-entry into the GSDF.