

**29B.18 Jurisdiction of special or summary courts-martial.**

1. *a.* Subject to [section 29B.16](#), special courts-martial have jurisdiction to try persons subject to this code for any offense for which they may have been punished under this code and may, under such limitations as the adjutant general may impose by rule, adjudge any one or a combination of the following punishments:

- (1) A fine not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars.
- (2) Forfeiture of not more than twenty days' pay and allowances.
- (3) A reprimand.
- (4) Dismissal or dishonorable discharge.
- (5) Reduction of a noncommissioned officer to the ranks.

*b.* A special courts-martial shall not try a commissioned officer.

2. *a.* Subject to [section 29B.16](#), summary courts-martial have jurisdiction to try persons subject to this code, for any offense made punishable by this code.

*b.* A person with respect to whom summary courts-martial have jurisdiction shall not be brought to trial before a summary court-martial if the person objects, unless under [section 29B.14](#) the person has been permitted and has elected to refuse punishment under that section. If objection to trial by summary court-martial is made by an accused who has not been permitted to refuse punishment under [section 29B.14](#), trial shall be ordered by special or general court-martial, as appropriate.

*c.* A summary court-martial may, under limitations the adjutant general imposes by rule, adjudge any of the following punishments:

- (1) A fine of not more than one thousand dollars for a single offense.
- (2) Forfeiture of not more than twenty days' pay and allowances.
- (3) Reduction of a noncommissioned officer to the ranks.

[C54, 58, 62, §29.72, 29.73; C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §29B.18, 29B.24; [82 Acts, ch 1042, §7](#)  
[89 Acts, ch 82, §5](#); [2007 Acts, ch 22, §13](#); [2008 Acts, ch 1026, §2, 3](#)