

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal Determination No. 9 of 2020, Air Force Employment Categories – amendment

This Determination amends Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal (DFRT) Determination No. 2 of 2017, Salaries (the Principal Determination), made under section 58H of the *Defence Act 1903* (the Act) and in accordance with subsection 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901* (AIA Act). The Principal Determination sets out provisions dealing with salary for members of the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

The purpose of this Determination is to make technical amendments to Schedules B.2, B.9 and B.11 of the Principal Determination to update the job titles for various Air Force employment categories. This is to ensure that Air Force employment category job titles match equivalent job titles in the Navy, Army and civilian sector.

Section 1 of this Determination sets out the manner in which this Determination may be cited.

Section 2 of this Determination provides that the Determination commences on 7 January 2021.

Section 3 provides that this instrument has authority under section 58H of the *Defence Act 1903*.

Section 4 provides that each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1–Air Force Employment Categories

Sections 1-5 omit and substitute the tables for pay grades 2-5 and 8 in Part 4 of Schedule B.2 of the Principal Determination. The table list the employment categories in Air Force that are paid at the paygrade specified in the relevant table heading. The amendment changes the name of the 'Laboratory' employment category to 'Scientific Officer' to bringing them into line with Navy, Army and civilian terminology, and reorders the list into alphabetical order.

Sections 6-9 omit and substitute the tables for pay grades 2-5 in Part 3 of Schedule B.9 of the Principal Determination. The table list the employment categories in Air Force that are paid at the paygrade specified in the relevant table heading. The amendment changes the name of the 'Cook' employment category to 'Chef' and 'Medical Assistant Manager' to 'Medical Technician Manager' bringing them into line with Navy, Army and civilian terminology, and reorders the list into alphabetical order.

Sections 10-14 omit and substitute the tables for pay grades 1-5 in Part 3 of Schedule B.11 of the Principal Determination. The table list the employment categories in Air Force that are paid at the paygrade specified in the relevant table heading. The amendment changes the name of the 'Cook' employment category to 'Chef', 'General Hand' to 'General Duties Airman' and 'Medical Assistant' to 'Medical Technician' bringing them into line with Navy, Army and civilian terminology, and reorders the list into alphabetical order.

Authority: Section 58H of the
Defence Act 1903