

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
*Richmond, July 18, 1862.*

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 50. }

I. Conscripts engaged on Government work, either directly or by Contractors, will not be taken from the work on which they are engaged, except for the purpose of enrollment, after which they will be returned on the certificate of the officer under whose charge the work is being performed, or with whom the contract is made. Such certificate will be presented to the enrolling officer, who will thereupon order the detail of the men specified, for a period not to exceed sixty days. A duplicate of such detail will be forwarded at once to the Adjutant and Inspector General, and a triplicate to the Chief of the Department or Bureau for which the work is performed.

Extensions of these details will be made when deemed necessary, on application through the Heads of the Departments or Bureaux.

II. Military Department No. 2 will embrace the States of Mississippi, Alabama, East Louisiana, and that part of Florida which is west of the Chattahoochie and Appalachicola rivers.

III. The Department of East Tennessee will include that part of the State of Georgia which is north of the rail road leading from Augusta, via Atlanta, to West Point, and so much of North Carolina as is west of the Blue Ridge mountains in that State.

IV. Conscripts will be paid from the date of their departure from home for camp of instruction. Troops raised by the States under requisitions made on them by the Confederate States Government, will be paid from the date of their assembling at the rendezvous for service, being already enlisted, or from the date of the enlistment, if that takes place at the rendezvous.

V. The only authority giving mileage or transportation to officers or soldiers in the field, emanates from the General commanding the particular army.

VI. Arms and munitions of war belonging to States, are strictly prohibited from being seized by any Confederate officer; and public arms and supplies will not be diverted from their legitimate destination by any officer of the army.

By command of the Secretary of War.

S. COOPER,  
*Adjutant and Inspector General.*