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-World War I

- 1913 Gen Regs (Para 855) place enlistment period at 7 years, including both active & reserve
- 18 May 1917, Selective Service Act changed all RA, NG, NA terms of service to "duration of war" (Kreidberg, History of Mil Mobilization, pp. 224 & 244.)

-World War II

- 1939, original enlistment 1 or 3 years; all reenlistments 3 years. (Army Regulation 600-750, Para 8 (2), Mar 1939)
- after 7 Dec 1941 all ongoing enlistments in Regular Army and Enlisted Reserve Corps extended to duration; new enlistments not permitted until Dec 1946. (War Dept Circ 118, Sec III, 23 April 4, and Army Regulation 600-750, 30 Sep 1942 (Para 5) and change 12, 2 Dec 46.

-Korean War

- Regular Army enlistment options for 3, 4, 5 & 6 years, with exception of 2-year term in cases of prior service of one year. No female enlistments of less than 3 years. (Special Regulation 615-105-1, 6 Sep 1950, Para 12). ALSO, 6 Jun 52, Para 13, allows 2 year enlistment of females. For draftees, obligation was for 21 months active duty. (Army Regulation 615-109-0, Oct 1950).