

R.A.F. FORM 2520C

OFFICER



ROYAL AIR FORCE
SERVICE AND RELEASE BOOK

Rank F/Lt.

Personal Number 124631.

Surname WICKHAM.

Initials H. W.

Class of Release A

Age and Service Group No. 31

- (iv) You are not entitled to service travel rate concessions for yourself or any members of your family after the expiration of any leave granted to you on release. If no leave be granted, the entitlement ceases on the day you departed from the Dispersal Centre.

4. Class A Release—(Age and Service). (i) Any reinstatement rights that you may have under the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act, 1944, arise immediately on your departure from the Dispersal Centre.

- (ii) Payment of allowances due to you up to the day prior to your leaving your unit for release will be paid by your existing accounting unit. Payment of allowances from that date up to the effective date of your release will be paid monthly by the Dispersal Centre into your Banking Account.

- (iii) Any payments to which you may be entitled in respect of your service for War Gratuity and Post War Credits will be issued by the Dispersal Centre Accountant Officer at the end of your Release Leave.

5. Class B Release—(National Reconstruction).

- (i) You have been released in advance of ordinary turn at the request of the Ministry of Labour and National Service, in order to perform work of national reconstruction. You are to report to the Employment Exchange or employer as shown below within seven days from the date of your departure from the Dispersal Centre. You will ordinarily be required to commence work on the expiration of your leave, but may commence earlier if you desire. You will be directed into the employment for which you have been released.

- (ii) Payment of allowances due to you up to the day prior to your leaving your unit for release will be paid by your existing accounting unit. Payment of allowances from that date up to the effective date of your release will be paid by the Dispersal Centre into your Banking Account.

- (iii) Any payments to which you may be entitled in respect of your service overseas or for War Gratuity and Post War Credits will be issued by the Release Accounts Section, R.A.F. Record Office, Gloucester at a future date.

- (iv) If at any time prior to the date on which the Emergency is declared ended by Order in Council you cease to perform the work for which you have been released, save for seasons of ill health, your release will be revoked and you will be recalled to duty.

6. Class C Release (Compassionate).

- (i) You have been released in advance of ordinary turn on extreme compassionate grounds. Any reinstatement rights that you may have under the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act, 1944, arise immediately on your departure from the Dispersal Centre.

- (ii) Payment of allowances due to you up to the day prior to your leaving your unit for release will be paid by your existing accounting unit. Payment of allowances from that date up to the effective date of your release will be paid by the Dispersal Centre into your Banking Account.

- (iii) Any payment to which you may be entitled in respect of your service overseas or for War Gratuity and Post War Credits will be issued by the Dispersal Centre Accountant Officer as soon after your release as possible.

7. Amendment of Address given for Payment of War Gratuity (and Post War Credits, if entitled).

Applicable to Class A or C releases only.

If you wish the Accountant Officer at your Dispersal Centre to make the payment of your War Gratuity (and Post War Credits, if entitled) to any address other than that which you give on release for this purpose you must advise the Accountant Officer at the Dispersal Centre where you were released. Your letter should be in the following form:—

Number Initials Surname
(or BLOCK LETTERS)
Date of leaving
Class of Release (A or C) Dispersal Centre

I desire to inform you that I have changed my address from that given on release and I now desire my War Gratuity (and Post War Credits if applicable), to be sent to me at the following address:

Nearest Post Office (if known)

Date Signature

If you fail to notify any change of address and loss or misappropriation is caused thereby, the Air Ministry will not be liable for such loss or misappropriation.

8. Queries on Emoluments.

Any queries arising on your allowances, or your War Gratuity entitlement, or your Post War Credit (for Airman service), arising after you have left the Dispersal Centre are to be addressed to the Accountant Officer of the Dispersal Centre and are to quote the following particulars:—

- (a) Your Class of release (A, B or C.)
- (b) The date stamped on the Clearance Certificate in this book.

9. AUTHORISATION OF RELEASE.

To be completed in Unit except where marked **

Rank PLT Number 124631
 Initials H.W. Surname WICKHAM

To be completed
 at the Dispersal
 Centre.

Release of the above named officer is hereby
 authorised as a Class A Release.
 The effective date of release (i.e. last day of
 service is 26.4.46 **

Instructions to Class B release to report for employment.

You have been released to take up employment—

as a
 M. of I. code number
 and are to report within seven days from this date to
 the following exchange

Delete
 one of
 these

with Messrs
 or to whom you are to report
 within seven days from this date.

You will ordinarily be required to commence work on the expiration of your leave, but you may if you so desire commence at an earlier date.

Date 22.3.46 **

Col. H. W. Wickham
 O.C. Personnel Detachment, Dispersal Centre.

REMOBILISATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. As stated in the Conditions of Release you remain liable to recall to duty until your commission is relinquished or otherwise terminated.

2. Such recall may be issued in the form of individual instructions in which case you will be given full instructions as to where and when you are to report.

3. If a public general notice or proclamation is issued revoking releases and recalling officers to duty you should immediately prepare yourself to return to duty and watch the press or public notice boards for further instructions as to when you are to report.

4. If remobilisation or return to duty is ordered by general notice, or by proclamation revoking releases, a list of R.A.F. Remobilisation Stations will be published in the press and by public notice, showing the particular stations under code letters. Your code letter is A and on the publication or proclamation of instructions which apply to you, you should report to the station to which this code letter applies.

5. You should report at your Remobilisation Station as shown above, in uniform.

6. You should also bring with you:—

- (i) this book,
- (ii) your National Health and Pensions Insurance Contribution Card,
- (iii) your Unemployment Insurance Book,
- (iv) your Civilian Identity Card,
- (v) your Service Identity Disc.

If you cannot get these at once do not delay but arrange for them to be sent on after you. If you are sick when due to report you must immediately inform the Officer Commanding the station at which you are to report, enclosing a medical certificate. You should report immediately you are fit for duty.

To be completed for all officers.

CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

To be completed at Unit except where marked**

Rank F/Lt. Number 124631
 Initials H.W. Surname WICKHAM

I hereby certify that the above-named officer has been cleared of all known charges in respect of deficiencies of public clothing and equipment, articles on equipment loan, or charge except for £.....d.** which has been reported to Air Ministry, Accounts 2(a).



WARNING

You are reminded that the unauthorised communication by you to any person at any time of any information that you may have acquired in the course of your Service renders you liable to prosecution under the Official Secrets Acts 1911 and 1939.

This covers disclosure in any form whether orally or in writing or by publication in the press or in book form.

In case of death, next of kin or personal representatives are requested immediately to inform Air Ministry (O.A.R.) Admiral House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2.

Witness to Signature.

Date

Any person knowingly making a false statement will be liable to prosecution.

Address of informant here shown to prosecution.

Address

Signature

Date

If, before joining the Service, give the name and address of any doctor, hospital, etc. from whom you received treatment. Give approximate dates.

If, after you have joined for the above or any other establishment, Releasee! If so, state nature of complaint and name and address of doctor or hospital with form and last three of attendance.

To be completed for all officers.

CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

To be completed at Unit except where

Rank F/Lt Number

Initials H.W. Surname

I hereby certify that the above
cleared of all known charges in respect of
clothing and equipment, articles or
except for £.....
reported to Air Ministry, Accounts



R.A.F. FORM 2520/123
M.P.B. 281

CLAIM FOR DISABILITY PENSION—R.A.F. OFFICER

THIS FORM is to be used only if you claim to be suffering from disability attributable to or aggravated by WAR SERVICE. You may complete it at any time WITHIN 6 MONTHS after the date you ceased to draw service pay.

When completed the form should be sent to the Air Ministry (O.A.R.), Adastral House, Kingsway W.C.2.

If there is insufficient space on the form further explanations or answers can be written on a plain sheet of paper which you must SIGN and attach firmly to the form.

Any pension granted on this application will commence on the day following cessation of service pay.

After six months from the cessation of service pay, any claim to pension must be made on a different form to be obtained from the nearest office of the MINISTRY OF PENSIONS, the address of which can be obtained at the Local Post Office.

1. Surname WICKHAM (BLOCK LETTERS) 2. Personal No. 124631
3. Christian Names Harry William
4. Rank F/Lt 5. Unit/Group 51 Sqdn
6. Date of Release
7. Have you served in the Armed Forces before the present War and been discharged? 48 Gp
("Yes" or "No" If "Yes" give particulars below:—

Former Regt., Corps or Ship, etc.	Army or Official Number	Date of Discharge	Cause of Discharge	Particulars of Pension (if any) for disablement or service

8. Give particulars of your wife and children now under 16 years of age for whom you received family allowances at any time during service:—

- (a) Wife—full Christian Names
and name before marriage
(b) Wife's present address
(c) Date of marriage
(d) CHILDREN
Full Christian Names (and Surname where different from your own) and dates of birth.

1.
Date of Birth
2.
Date of Birth
3.
Date of Birth
Name/s
Date/s of Birth

9. Give particulars of any child born after release.

Witness to Signature
(Any householder)
Address of Witness
Date
Signature
Date
Address
Any person knowingly making a false statement will be liable to prosecution.
Address (if different from above) to which you desire the result of your claim to be sent:

17. Have you been treated for the above or any other complaint since Released? If so, state nature of complaint and name and address of doctor or hospital with first and last dates of attendance.	
18. If you suffered from the above treatment, Give approximate dates, hospital, etc., from whom you received name and address of any doctor, before joining the Forces, give the cause of your complaint.	
19. (a) In which unit were you then serving? (b) Where were you stationed? (c) What was the precise nature of your duties at the time?	(a) (b) (c)
20. State what particular incidents or conditions of service you consider caused or worsened the disability.	
21. (a) When did you first suffer from the disability? (b) If before your war service when did you first notice the effects of war service on it?	(a) (b)

12. IF YOU CLAIM SOLELY IN RESPECT OF A WOUND OR INJURY, YOU NEED NOT ANSWER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS—but the claim form must be signed and dated—see opposite page.	
13. What is the disability for which you claim pension? If a wound or injury state when and where received and part of body injured.	
14. Give the names of the hospitals or other places at which you received treatment during service for the disability and the dates as nearly as you can.	

The following questions should be answered with care. The answers will assist in the enquiries to be made of official records. Incomplete answers may delay the consideration of your claim.

PARTICULARS OF CLAIM

R.A.F. Form 2520/124

Part II to be completed in Unit for all officers whether insured or not.
Part III to be completed at Dispersal Centre for insured officers.

Part I—Instructions to Released Person.

MEDICAL TREATMENT AFTER LEAVING DISPERSAL CENTRE.

If you are entitled to medical benefit under the National Health Insurance Acts, a medical card telling you how to get treatment will be sent to you as soon as possible. Medical benefit includes free treatment from an insurance doctor at his surgery, or if your condition requires it, at your home, and free medicine.

If you go back to live in your old district and had an insurance doctor before you joined up you will be restored to his list if he is still in practice himself or by deputy.

If you fall ill before the medical card comes, fill in the application below and hand this book to your previous insurance doctor (or, if absent, his deputy). If you did not have an insurance doctor before you joined up or if you go to live in another part of the country, apply to any insurance doctor. You can see a list of insurance doctors at the local Post Office.

Do not detach the form from the book. The doctor will do this.
Turn over for information about hospital treatment.

Form Med. 50a

Part II to be completed in Unit

Rank Lt. Number 124631
Initials H.W. Surname WICKHAM
(BLOCK LETTERS)
Date of Birth 13.12.1919 Sex Male If a married woman, state maiden name L.83 SC/14/18

Part III to be completed at Dispersal Centre

(Dispersal Centre Date Stamp)

The above named person departed from this Dispersal Centre

Part IV—Available for three months from date of leaving Dispersal Centre.
To be completed by released person ONLY if needing medical treatment before a medical card is received.
I have NOT received a medical card since leaving the Dispersal Centre and I hereby apply for a medical card to be issued to me.

Delete as may be necessary

I was on the list of Dr. _____ immediately before
I was mobilised or called up for service.
I was not on the list of a doctor in the district where I am now, and I desire
to be placed on the list of _____
(Insert name of doctor or approved institution)

My present address is _____

Do you intend to leave this district within three months from the date hereof?
If so, when?

Name of Approved Society (if any) _____
(If a deposit contributor write "D.C.")
Name of Branch (if any) of Society _____

(Signature of Released Person)

Membership number _____

Date _____

P.T.O.

POSTAL DRAFT—Evidence of Identity

On presentation of the Postal Draft for War Gratuity and Post War Credit, if entitled, at a Post Office for credit to a Post Office Savings Bank Account you will be required to produce this Release Book as evidence of identity. The Post Office will frank the book below on presentation of the Postal Draft.



A. W. Lichman.
Specimen Signature of Officer.

* If you were a member of an Approved Society before you were mobilised or called up for service, or if you joined an Approved Society during service your membership is still effective.

Part V.—Hospital Treatment during Release Leave.

If you need hospital treatment before the end of your leave you should show this book to your doctor and if he is of opinion that such treatment is necessary he will advise you as to the steps to be taken to obtain that treatment. You should show this Release Book to the hospital authorities when admitted to or attending hospital for treatment.

For the information of the doctor.

In-patient treatment would normally be given at the nearest service or civil Emergency Medical Scheme hospital where the treatment required can be given. If you are in doubt as to the location of the nearest suitable hospital the Hospital Officer for the district in which the patient resides can give you the required information and he will also be in a position to advise as to the nearest military or E.M.S. hospital where any massage, X-ray examination or other out-patient treatment can be obtained.

Part VI to be completed by Doctor providing treatment who should also detach the form and send it to the Insurance Committee (in Northern Ireland to the Ministry of Labour, Palace Grounds, Armagh, Northern Ireland) for the area in which the insured person is staying.

- * The person named overleaf who was not on my list immediately before serving in H.M. Forces is accepted as from today as a temporary*/permanent* resident.
- * The person named overleaf who states that he was on my list immediately before serving in H.M. Forces has to-day applied to me for treatment

Date.....

Signature.....

(If doctor is to supply drugs he

here).....

(If doctor claims mileage he should

distance here).....

Second signature of applicant
(for record purposes)

* The person named overleaf who states that he was on my list immediately before serving in H.M. Forces has to-day applied to me for treatment

Date.....

Signature.....

your duties at the time?

(c)

16. If you suffered from the disability

Anyone finding this book is
requested to hand it in to the
nearest Police Station or for-
ward in an UNSTAMPED
envelope to:-

UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AIR,
Air Ministry (O.A.R.),

Adastral House,
Kingsway, LONDON, W.C.2.

51-5253.