

## ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

## Form of Application

## for enlistment for five years' service for flying duties.

Please read these notes before completing the form:—

- (a) All questions must be answered in candidate's own handwriting; it is not sufficient to leave the space for reply blank or to insert a dash. Incorrect answers may prejudice a candidate's chance of selection.
- (b) The certificate at Section E on page 4 must be completed. The parent's or guardian's signature must be appended if the candidate is under 21.
- (c) When completed this form should be despatched in accordance with the directions on the note accompanying A.M. Pamphlet No. 62.
- (d) The submission by a candidate of false or falsified documents or certificates in connection with his application may render the candidate liable to prosecution.

## A. Particulars to be furnished by all candidates:—

(i) Surname (in capitals) ... ..

RAETTIG

(ii) Christian Names (in full, in capitals) ... ..

DENNIS WILLIAM

(iii) Permanent address ... ..

"RAEVILLE,"  
BEVERLY ROAD  
ANLABY  
E. YORKS.

(iv) Present address for correspondence, and date to which it holds good ... ..

above address.

Permanent:

(v) Railway station nearest to present address ... ..

Willerby

(vi) Date and place of birth ... ..

16th December, 1920.

2, Willerby Street,  
Anlaby Road,  
Hull.

(Accepted candidates will be required to furnish birth certificates in confirmation of their age, prior to entry. Birth certificates should not be forwarded with this application.)

(vii) Are you of pure European descent? ... ..

Yes.

(viii) Nationality. (Full particulars of any change of nationality must be given.) ... ..

British

(ix) (a) Nationality of parents at their birth ... ..

Father. British

Mother. British

(b) Whether either parent has acquired any other nationality. If so, particulars must be given.

No.

(x) Father's name (in full), profession or occupation, address and birthplace. (If deceased, last profession, etc., must be stated.)

Max Edgar Raettig,  
"Raeville,"  
Beverly Road,  
Anlaby.

Master Mariner.

Birthplace. Hull.

(xi) Mother's maiden name (in full) and birthplace...

Doris Eliza Jackson

Birthplace. Hull.

(xii) Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? If so, give particulars and dates of all convictions ... ..

No.

## A. (contd.)

- (xiii) Give particulars opposite of the schools and colleges at which you were educated from the age of 12.

Name and address of Schools and Colleges.	Period of Education.	
	From	To
<i>The Hull Grammar School Leicester Street, Hull.</i>	<i>1932</i>	<i>1936</i>

- (xiv) Have you sat for the matriculation examination or for a school certificate? If so, give particulars opposite.

*No.*

Name of examining body .....

Description of certificate .....

Date of examination .....

Was certificate obtained? .....

Subjects passed in .....

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Subjects failed in .....

Subjects (if any) in which "credit" or "distinction" was obtained .....

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- (xv) Have you sat for any other educational examination? If so, give particulars opposite.

*No.*

Name of examining body .....

Description of examination .....

Date of examination .....

Was examination passed? .....

Particulars of subjects passed in .....

- (xvi) Give particulars of further education undertaken since leaving school. Name and address of educational establishment or tutor should be stated.

*General Commercial Course  
West Hull Commercial School,  
Arlaby Road,  
Hull.*

- (xvii) Occupation since leaving school or college, giving names, full addresses and business of employers, dates between which employed, nature of work (in detail) on which engaged and cause of leaving. (Details to be entered on separate sheet, if necessary.)

*Order clerk, Printer's Office.*

*Messrs. A. Harland & Son, Ltd.,  
Printers,  
Arlaby Street,  
Hull.*

- (xviii) Anticipated occupation for next five years ...

*Order clerk*

- (xix) Are you reasonably certain of being resident in the United Kingdom for the next five years?

*Yes.*

## A. (contd.)

(xx) Which Elementary and Reserve Flying Training School and Town Centre are nearest your place of residence or business ? A list of existing centres is shown in the note accompanying A.M. Pamphlet No. 62. New centres will be announced from time to time in the Press.	Elementary and Reserve Flying Training School <i>Brough Flying School</i>	Town Centre <i>Newland House Beverly Road, Hull.</i>
(xxi) What are the approximate lengths of single journeys between your residence or place of business and the Elementary and Reserve Flying Training School and Town Centre	Elementary and Reserve Flying Training School	Town Centre
(a) in mileage ?	7	7
(b) in time ?	$\frac{1}{2}$ hour	$\frac{1}{2}$ hour
(xxii) What transport is available for the journeys ?	<i>Bus</i>	
(xxiii) Are you prepared to attend at the Elementary and Reserve Flying Training School, and at the Town Centre to which it is affiliated, at week-ends and evenings and at other times and under the conditions mentioned in paras. 15 to 20 of A.M. Pamphlet No. 62 ?	<i>Yes</i>	
(xxiv) Are you prepared to attend for 15 days' continuous training annually ?	<i>Yes.</i>	
(xxv) Do you wish to attend a long course if this can be arranged (see A.M. Pamphlet No. 62, para. 18 (b)) ? If so, would you be able to give whole-time attendance at any time ?	<i>Yes.</i>	
(xxvi) Have you made any previous applications for entry into the Royal Air Force or any of its reserves or auxiliaries ? If so, insert particulars and dates	<i>No.</i>	
(xxvii) Have you been medically examined under arrangements made by the Air Ministry ? If so, insert particulars and dates	<i>No.</i>	
(xxviii) Do you hold a current civilian pilot's licence ? If so, state number and class	<i>No.</i>	
(xxix) If you have flown as a pilot, state—	<i>No.</i>	
(a) the total number of hours flown (solo and dual)...	<i>No.</i>	
(b) the date on which you last flew as a pilot	<i>No.</i>	
(c) types of aircraft flown	<i>No.</i>	
(xxx) Have you any knowledge of general or aeronautical engineering, electricity, wireless or radio telegraphy or photography ?	<i>No.</i>	

**B. Particulars to be given by all candidates who have served or are serving in any branch of H.M. Forces, Regular, Reserve or Auxiliary, or have been or are members of an Officers' Training Corps, University Air Squadron or of a Cadet Corps :-**

- (i) Unit ... ..
- (ii) Dates of joining and leaving ... ..
- (iii) Regimental, official or service number (if any)...
- (iv) Cause of leaving ... ..
- (v) Rank on leaving ... ..
- (vi) Particulars of any O.T.C. or other certificates obtained ... ..
- (vii) Are you in receipt of pension or other award in respect of such service? (If so, state nature and rate) ... ..
- (viii) Have you a liability for service other than that stated above, with any Force or organisation? (If so, state particulars) ... ..

**C. Certificate to be completed by two responsible persons (excluding relatives but including preferably a recent employer) who have known the candidate for a considerable period.**

I certify that I have known D. W. Raetting for (a) 2 1/2 years  
 and can testify as to his good moral character and suitability for service in the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve.  
 (a) Name Fred B. Harland (b) Name.....  
 Address Manor St. Mill Address.....  
 Qualification, profession Employer of applicant or standing }  
 Date 2/6/39 Date.....

**D. Certificate to be completed by the Principal or Headmaster of the College or School at which the candidate was last educated. Regulations provide that candidates must be approximately up to the standard required for the School Certificate of the Oxford and Cambridge Schools Examination Board, and the Principal or Headmaster is requested to relate the candidate's educational attainments to that standard. (In this connection, see section A (xiii)-(xv).)**

I certify that D. W. Raetting  
 attended this school from Jan 32 to July 36 and that he attained a standard of education  
 Date 9 June 1939 Signature [Signature]  
 College or School [Signature]

**NOTE**—The Air Ministry is not prepared to enter into correspondence, whether officially, or unofficially through members of the Department, with persons other than the signatories of sections C and D above and the candidate's parent or guardian; the Selection Board will disregard recommendations from any persons who are not directly and personally acquainted with the candidate's work, at school or university, in industry or business, in H.M. Forces, or otherwise. Candidates are therefore enjoined to refrain from endeavours to enlist the support of Members of Parliament or other influential persons (except in the capacity of referees as provided for under the regulations), since to do so will merely prejudice their candidature.

**E. I hereby certify the details hereon to be correct. I have read and understand the conditions of service and other particulars in A.M. Pamphlet 62.**

(Signature of parent or guardian if candidate is under 21.) (Usual signature of candidate.)  
 Date..... Date.....