



Certificate to be completed for all personnel discharge.

1. The uniform retained by a member of the R.C.A.F. on discharge may be worn on the occasions and under the circumstances stated hereunder:

- (a) For a period of thirty days from the date of discharge. When worn during this period, the appropriate Release or Discharge Certificate is to be carried.
- (b) When attending memorial Service, celebrations, Air Force funerals, and official functions commemorating events in present or past wars, provided permission has been given by the A.O.C.
- (c) On other occasions by special authority of the A.O.C.
- (d) When the uniform is worn in accordance with (a), (b), or (c) hereof, the member is liable on summary conviction, to be punished according to law if he or she does or fails to do any act, which, were he or she still a serving member of the Force, would constitute in Air Force offence.

2. The following is a summary of Section 438 of the Criminal Code of Canada:

"Every person shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding \$300.00, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding 12 months, or to both fine and imprisonment who without lawful authority wears any uniform of His Majesty's Naval, Land or Air Force, or any uniform which is so similar to the uniform of said forces as to be mistaken therefor. Such a recourse could be enforced only before the Civil Courts."

3. Security. During the present war it has been necessary for various personnel of the Royal Canadian Air Force, engaged in service duty to receive, under conditions of secrecy, information and knowledge of service methods and equipment, some of which have been of a very high security category.

All concerned have realized the vital need for keeping such matters secret in time of war, and have loyally cooperated in order to achieve this object. It may not be generally recognized, however, that the need for peace, and that it is essential that there should be no relaxation of the security which has safeguarded these subjects.

Therefore, all personnel are requested to bear in mind on returning to civilian life, and in the process of seeking employment, or at any subsequent time, that no disclosures either orally or in writing, of such secret material shall be made.

It is a fact, which any not be widely known, that all ranks are bound by the official Secrets Act to respect the confidence of such information, both during and after Air Force service, and infractions of this order would constitute a criminal offence.

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