Allied Veterans - Korean War (War Veterans Allowance Program)

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Purpose

This policy provides guidance on determining if an individual served with an Allied Force during the Korean War and, therefore, may be considered to satisfy the war service requirements for War Veterans Allowance (WVA).

Policy

Allied Countries

1. The following countries were allied with Canada during the Korean War:

   Australia, Belgium, Colombia, Denmark, Ethiopia, France, Greece, India, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the Philippines, South Korea, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, the Union of South Africa, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

   Note: This list of countries allied to Canada during the Korean War is subject to additions. It is possible that other countries may meet the criteria to be considered an allied country. Consult the Policy Directorate for policy interpretation in situations where documents submitted indicate that an applicant served for the organized forces of a country not included in this list.

2. For the purpose of administering the *War Veterans Allowance Act*, the Korean War began on June 25, 1950 and ended on July 27, 1953.

Allied Veteran Defined

3. An Allied Veteran of the Korean War is a person who meets the requirements described in subsection 37(4) or (4.2) of the *War Veterans Allowance Act*, namely:

   any former member of:
   a. any of the forces that took part in the Korean War

      who was domiciled in Canada at the time when he or she joined that force or at any time while a member of that force, and

   b. served in a theatre of operations during the Korean War.
4. An allied veteran is also any former member of any of the forces that took part in the Korean War and who served during that war, who resided in Canada for a total period of at least 10 years beginning on or after July 27, 1953, who has been honourably discharged or has been permitted honourably to resign or retire from one of those forces and who served in a theatre of operations during that war.

Qualifying War Service

5. “Theatre of operations” is defined as the continental territory of Korea, including adjoining sea areas and corresponding air spaces, in which the war was conducted.
6. The following areas are considered a “theatre of operations” for allied forces who served on or after the date on which their respective countries responded to the United Nations appeal to join the military operations to restore peace in the Republic of Korea during the period June 25, 1950 to July 27, 1953:
   a. the Korean peninsula,
   b. any of the waters, including gulfs, bays and inlets, lying between:
      i. the coasts of Siberia, Korea and China; and,
      ii. a line beginning at a point on the coast of Siberia at longitude 135° East; thence south to a point at latitude 38° 30' North and longitude 135° East; thence southwesterly to a point 30° North and longitude 124° East; thence south to Shokoto Sho; thence westerly to Shichisei

Seki; and thence westerly to a point on the coast of China at latitude 23° North, or

c. the air space above the geographic areas described in a) and b).

Service as a Member of the Australian Forces

7. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Australian Forces, a request form can be completed through the Australian Department of Veterans Affairs. Click on Form Number and locate form D2673, entitled "Application to Determine Qualifying Service by a Veteran or Mariner". The completed form can be mailed to:

   Department of Veterans Affairs
   Centennial Plaza Tower B
   280 Elizabeth Street, GPO Box 3994
   Sydney NSW 2001 AUSTRALIA

Service as a Member of the Belgian Forces

8. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Belgian Forces, contact:

   Ondersectie Notariaat
   t.a.v. Adjudant
   Kwartier Koningin Astrid
   Bruynstraat 1
   1120 BRUSSEL
   BELGIUM

Service as a Member of the Colombian Forces

9. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Colombian Forces, contact:

   Embassy of Colombia in Canada
   360 Albert Street
   Suite 1002, Floor 10
   Ottawa, ON
   K1R 7X7

   Telephone: 613-230-3760
   Facsimile: 613-230-4416

Service as a Member of the Danish Forces

10. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Danish Forces, contact:

    Assisting Defence Attaché
    Embassy of Denmark
    3200 Whitehaven Street
    N.W. Washington, D.C.
    20008-3683

Telephone: (202) 234-4300
Facsimile: (202) 328-1470
E-mail: wasamb@um.dk

Service as a Member of the Ethiopian Forces

11. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Ethiopian Forces, contact:

    Ethiopian Embassy in Canada
    151 Slater Street, Suite 210
    Ottawa, ON
    K1P 5H3

    Telephone: 613-235-6637
    Facsimile: 613-235-4638

Service as a Member of the French Forces

12. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the French Forces, contact:

    Defence Attaché
    Embassy of France
    42 Sussex Drive
    Ottawa, ON K1M 2C9

    Telephone: (613) 562-3780
    Facsimile: (613) 562-3785

Service as a Member of the Greek Forces

13. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Greek Forces, contact:

    Consular Officer
    Embassy of Greece
    80 MacLaren St
    Ottawa, ON
    K2P 0K6

    Telephone: (613) 238-6271
    Facsimile: (613) 238-5676
    Email: embassy@greekembassy.ca

Service as a Member of India's Forces

14. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the India’s Forces, contact:

    Attaché
    High Commission for the Republic of India
    10 Springfield Rd

Otttawa, ON
K1M 1C9

Telephone: (613) 744-3751
Facsimile: (613) 744-0913

Service as a Member of the Italian Forces

15. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Italian Forces, contact:

Italian Embassy in Canada
275 Slater Street, 21st Floor
Ottawa, ON
K1P 5H9

Telephone: 613-232-2401
Facsimile: 613-233-1484

Service as a Member of the Luxembourg Forces

16. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Luxembourg Forces, contact:

Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et de la Défense
Direction de la Défense
6, rue de l'Ancien Athénée
L-1144 Luxembourg
Europe

Telephone: +352 26-848-1
Facsimile: +352 26-8456-01

Service as a Member of the Netherlands Forces

17. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Netherlands Forces, contact:

Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
Constitution Square Building
Suite 2020 - 350 Albert Street
Ottawa, ON
K1R 1A4

Telephone: (613) 237-5030
Facsimile: (613) 237-6471
E-mail: nfo@dutchhelp.com

Service as a Member of the New Zealand Forces

18. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the New Zealand Forces, contact:

Defence Advisor
New Zealand High Commission
99 Bank Street
Suite 727
Ottawa, ON
K1P 6G3

Telephone: (613) 238-5991 extension 227
Facsimile: (613) 238-5707

Service as a Member of the Norwegian Forces

19. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Norwegian Forces, contact:

Royal Norwegian Embassy
150 Metcalfe Street
Suite 1300
Ottawa, ON K2P 1P1

Telephone: (613) 238-6571
Facsimile: (613) 238-2765
E-mail: emb.ottawa@mfa.no

Service as a Member of the Philippine Forces

20. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Philippines Forces, contact:

Military Records Specialist
215 North Main Street
White River Jct, VT 05009-0001

Telephone: (802) 295-9363

Service as a Member of the Republic of Korea Forces

21. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Republic of Korea Forces, contact:

Defence Attaché of Embassy of the Republic of Korea
150 Boteler St.
Ottawa, ON
K1N 5A6

Telephone: (613) 244-5010
Fax: (613) 244-5043-5034

Service as a Member of the South African Forces

22. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the South African Forces, contact:

South African High Commission
15 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, ON
K1M 1M8

Telephone: (613) 744-0330
Facsimile: (613) 741-1639

Service as a Member of the Swedish Forces

23. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Swedish Forces, contact:

Human Resource Centre
Telephone: +46 8 514 393 00
E-mail: hr-direkt@mil.se

Service as a Member of the Thailand Forces

24. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Thailand Forces, contact:

The Royal Thai Embassy
180 Island Park Drive
Ottawa, ON
K1Y 0A2

Telephone: 613-722-4444
Facsimile: 613-722-6624

Service as a Member of the Turkish Forces

25. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the Turkish Forces, contact:

Embassy of the Republic of Turkey in Ottawa
197 Wurtemburg Street
Ottawa, ON
K1N 8L9

Telephone: 613-789-4044
Facsimile: 613-789-3442

Service as a Member of the United Kingdom Forces

26. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the United Kingdom Forces, contact:

Veterans Affairs Officer
Veterans Affairs Canada
Canadian High Commission
Macdonald House
1 Grosvenor Square

London W1K 4AB

Tel: 44(0)20 7258 6334
Fax: 44(0)20 7258 6645

Service as a Member of the United States Forces

27. To obtain confirmation of qualifying service in the United States Forces, contact:

Military Records Specialist
215 North Main Street
White River Jct, VT 05009

Telephone: (802) 296-5177 extension 5333 or 5321
Facsimile: (802) 291-6299

References

War Veterans Allowance Act