



CANADA

# ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

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N.S. 815-11-5

JUN - 1 1941  
N.S. 113 W 1069  
CANADA

SURNAME WATTS OFFICIAL NO. V-5-283521  
CHRISTIAN NAMES DAN JAMES MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER SINGLE

PERMANENT ADDRESS 13 Norton St., Toronto, Ont. RELIGION C. of E.

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>28 July '15</u>	Town <u>Saskatoon,</u> County Province <u>Saskatchewan</u>	Mother: <u>Julia:</u> <u>Woodside Cottage,</u> <u>near Crispin, Cranborn,</u> <u>near Windsor, Berks,</u> <u>England.</u>
*Original Nationality of:		
Father <u>English</u>		
Mother <u>English</u>		

\*If not the son of natural born British parents, particulars to be given at foot of next page

## (A) PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet..... <u>5</u>	Inflated..... <u>37</u>	<u>Dk.</u> <u>Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Med.</u>	<u>Scar base left thumb</u>
Inches..... <u>11</u>	Deflated..... <u>34</u>				
	Mean..... <u>35½</u>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<u>Public School.</u>	<u>Clerk:</u> <u>The Great Atlantic &amp; Pacific Tea Co.</u> <u>Lauder Ave.,</u> <u>Toronto, Ont.</u>

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
<u>27 May '41</u>	<u>Steward Prob.</u>	<u>Toronto, Ont.</u>

## (B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

- (1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.
- (2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) That \* (a) I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve, or Territorial Force.

\* (b) I served in..... for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

\*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM
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Personnel Records Division.	
1. Noted in Records	<u>MB</u>
2. Index Card	<u>MB</u>
3. Non-Sub. Card	
4. Statistical Card	<u>MB</u>
5. Noted Strip	<u>MB</u>
6. Pension Card	
8. ....	
DATE	<u>4-6-41</u>

(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the.....Toronto.....Division of  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake to bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this.....27th.....day of.....May '41.....

Signature of applicant.....*Dan J. Watts*.....

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this.....27th.....day of.....May '41.....

.....*A. M. Linkletter*.....  
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.  
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, DAN JAMES WATTS.....do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant.....*Dan J. Watts*.....

Witness.....*A. M. Linkletter*.....

Date.....27 May '41.....Rank.....Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.....

The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service.

(E) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

DAN JAMES WATTS.....having been duly enrolled to serve in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be recorded in the Record Book of the.....Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

.....*A. M. Linkletter*.....  
Attesting Officer.

R.C.N.V.R. Division.....Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.  
(or other establishment).....Toronto.....

.....27 May '41.....194.....

NOTE.—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Divisional Commanding Officer's Record Book, is to be forwarded to Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody.

The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.

# CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Dan James WATTS

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number <i>V-27265</i>
Halifax	Toronto	"
		"

Date of Birth <i>28 July '15</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend <small>(in pencil)</small>
Place of Birth <i>Saskatoon, Sask.</i>	<i>Mother: Julia Woodside Cottage, near Crispin, Cranborn, near Windsor, Berks England.</i>
Place of Residence <i>13 Norton St., Toronto, Ont.</i>	
Trade brought up to <i>Clerk.</i>	
Religion <i>Church of England.</i>	
Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date <i>19</i> Signature _____ Rank _____	
P.S.T. Date <i>19</i> Signature _____ Rank _____	



PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
	<i>27 May '41</i>	<i>Dur. Host.</i>	<i>Steward Prob.</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>5</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>35½</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>Dark Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Med.</i>	<i>Scar base of left arm.</i>
On re-enrolment—6 years' Service.....								
On re-enrolment—12 years' Service.....								
Further Description if necessary.....								

TRANSFER BETWEEN DIVISIONS				TRANSFER—LISTS A AND B		
From	To	Date	List	Date	Authority	

# NAVAL TRAINING and ACTIVE SERVICE

Year	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	LEDGER		RATING	FROM	TO	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE	Year
		List	No.					
				DIVISIONAL STRENGTH				
1941	TORONTO DIVISION			STEW. PROB	27 May 41 <sup>AM</sup>	27 May 41 <sup>PM</sup>		
1941	"			ACTIVE SERVICE				
1941	"			STEW. PROB	28 May 41	17 June 41		
	Stadacona			- - -	18 June 41	14 July 41		
	Spikenard			- - -	15 Aug 41	10 Feb 42	"D.D."	

**Wounds Received in Action, Hurt Certificates, Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prizes or other Grants**

Date	Details	Captain's Signature

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V27265

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-W-1069

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V27265

NAME WATTS

(Surname)

Dan, James

(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH

28 July, 1915.

PLACE OF BIRTH Saskatoon, Sask.

OCCUPATION

Clerk

RELIGION Anglican

EDUCATION

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

13 Norton St.

Town

Toronto

Province, etc.

Ont.

ENGAGEMENTS			DESCRIPTION				PREVIOUS SERVICE				
Date (in figures)			Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year								From	To
27	5	41	5'11"	D.brn	brown	med.	Scar base of left thumb.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

Mother

NAME (in pencil)

Julia Watts

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Woodside Cottage near Crispin, Cranston near Windsor

Town

Beacons

Province, etc.

England

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY			EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.								
Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	

BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.				BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES							
Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year		

FILM NO. WSP 5446-7 DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED					
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.

O.H.F. received.  
LAST WILL & TESTAMENT RECEIVED DATED-13-6-41

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To



V27265

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME WATTS  
(Surname)

Dan, James  
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER V27265

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
Div. Str. Toronto	Stwd.Prob.	27	5	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41							
Duty Div. Hdqrs.	"	28	5	41		V.G.		10	2	42							
Stadacona	"	17	6	41													
Spikenard	"	16	9	41													
<del>DISCHARGED</del>	<del>"</del>	<del>10</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>42</del>	<del>Spikenard Casualty</del>												

GENERAL REMARKS

X-ray approved.  
Memorial Cross to Mother (See next of Kin)

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL.	ED.	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DAY	MO.	YR.	MAIN	SUB	MAIN	SUB	GR.	P.	CTY.	TOWNSHIP	SER.	DIV.	A	BR.	RANK	
28	7	15	19		830	0	30	X	1	56	14	0	23	0	21	95
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	NET SERV. DATE			SHIP OR ESTAB.		RANK OR RATE				
DAY	MO.	YR.	DAY	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DAY	MO.	YR.	A	BR.	RANK				
27	05	41	28	05	41					26	15	0	21	95		
SERVIC. CAT.		STR.	NON-SUB		M	CODED		CHECKED								
DAY	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	BT.										
28	05	91	09				00	00	20	10-02-42						



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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
- Naval Service -

Ottawa, Canada,

..... 23rd February, 1942. ....  
(Date)

Sir:

The following casualty has been reported -

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK or RATING</u>	<u>NAVAL NO.</u>
<del>WATTS, Dan James</del>	<del>Steward Probationer</del>	<del>V 27265, R.C.N.V.R.</del>
<u>DATE OF ENLISTMENT</u>	<u>27th May, 1941, Active Service: 29th May, 1941.</u>	
<u>DATE OF DISCHARGE</u>	<u>10th February, 1942.</u>	
<u>HOSPITAL</u>	<u>(If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D.P. &amp; N.H.)</u>	
<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>Canada &amp; High Seas</u> (Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and on high seas or elsewhere).	

Reason for discharge and when and where any disability was incurred, or where death occurred.

Missing, presumed lost on Active Service.  
He was serving in H.M.C.S. "Spikewood" which was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on 10th February, 1942.

(Show clearly whether death or disability due to enemy action, accident or disease, and whether it occurred in Canada, or on the high seas or elsewhere outside Canada).

NEXT OF KIN & RELATIONSHIP

RELATIONSHIP Mother NAME Mrs. Julia Watts,

ADDRESS Woodside Cottage near Crispin, Cransham near Windsor, Berks, England.

NOTE: If records indicate that rating was separated from his wife, legally or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any Court Order, the Separation Agreement, etc., to be furnished.

OFFICER'S OR RATING'S MONTHLY PAY ALLOTTED TO WIFE AND/ OR DEPENDENT

\$ 21. 00 PAID TO Mother, Not yet stopped.

MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE AT \$ NIL PER DIEM PAID TO - NIL

DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE AT \$ NIL PAID TO NIL

TOTAL MONTHLY PAYMENT TO - WIFE \$ NIL

Computed by [Signature] DEPENDENTS \$ 21. 00  
Checked by [Signature]

[Signature]  
SECRETARY,  
NAVAL BOARD.

The Secretary,  
The Canadian Pension Commission,  
Copy to D.P. & N.H.

(See reverse side for further instructions.)

VERIFICATION  
 CAMPAIGN STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, W  
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE

NAME IN FULL *Watts...* *DAN JAMES*..... RANK/RATING *P/5*

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	FROM	TO
	FROM	TO	DAYS			
	<i>28-5-41</i>					
<i>Spikenard</i>	<i>15-9-41</i>	<i>10-2-42</i>	<i>149</i>	<i>Atl. "Lost"</i>		
		<i>Osceola "Dred"</i>				
		<i>10-2-42.</i>				

VERIFIED BY *J. Y. Allaire*..... VERIFIED BY .....

W.S.B.

VERIFICATION FORM

DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.  
GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RATING *P/SWD* OFF.NO. *V-27265* ADDRESS .....

QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS							STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.	1915 MEDAL			
							1939-45	1	<i>star</i>
							ATLANTIC		
							FRANCE G.		
							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	<i>@ Clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	<i>Medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

*'Lost'*

VERIFIED BY *J.Y. Allaire*  
*[Signature]*

BY ..... DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

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19th February, 1942.

Dear Madam:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 18th February from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services informing you that your son, Dan James Watts, Steward Probationer, R.C.N.V.R., O.N. V.27265, is missing and must be presumed lost on Active Service.

Your son was serving in H. M. C. S. "SPIKENARD" which was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 10th February 1942. Details of the action are not, however, available at this time.

The possibility of your son having been rescued by other ships cannot be estimated but it has been established that he was not among the survivors landed at a United Kingdom port and very little hope is held out for the survival of the remainder. You will be informed immediately should any further information be received.

I wish to express the sincere sympathy of the Chief of the Naval Staff, Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary, Naval Board.

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Mrs. Julia Watts,  
Woodside Cottage, near  
Crespin, Cransbarn, near  
WINDSOR, Berks. England.

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AWARDS NAVY

D.D.

WATTS	Dan James	V-27265	Stwd.Prob.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE BADGE  
(CLASS)                      No.                      DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	1292
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR Oct. 45 "SPIKENARD"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Miss Grace E. Watts - Sister

ADDRESS: Lawrencetown House,  
Jockets Lane, Northwood,  
Middlesex, England.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. Julia Watts

ADDRESS: Woodside Cottage, near Crespen, Cransbourne  
near Windsor, Birks, England.

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

REGN. NO 519

(2)

(3)

1-4-42