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NATIONAL DEFENCE

JUL - 8 1941  
N.S. 113-201172  
CANADA

# ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME WALLACE OFFICIAL NO. V 117223  
CHRISTIAN NAMES Peter William MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER single

PERMANENT ADDRESS <u>131 - Main St. Saskatoon Sask.</u>		RELIGION <u>RPE.</u>
DATE OF BIRTH <u>11<sup>th</sup> Jan 1923</u>	*PLACE OF BIRTH Town <u>Saskatoon</u> County Province <u>Sask.</u>	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN <u>Mrs. Christina Wallace</u> <u>131 - Main St.</u> <u>Saskatoon Sask.</u>
*Original Nationality of: Father <u>Scottish</u> Mother <u>English</u>		

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

## PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet. <u>5</u>	Inflated <u>32 1/2</u>	<u>Dark Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Medium</u>	<u>one on tongue</u>
Inches <u>8 1/2</u>	Deflated <u>30</u>				
Mean <u>31</u>					

DATE OF ENROLMENT <u>20 June 1941</u>	RATING ENROLLING FOR <u>Old Sea (temp)</u>	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY <u>Call boy.</u>
R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment) at which enrolled <u>Saskatoon</u>		<u>C.N.R.</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
<del> </del>	<del> </del>	<del> </del>

(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.

Personnel Records	
Division	_____
To	_____
1. Noted in Records	<u>LL</u>
2. Index Card	<u>LL</u>
3. Non-Sub. Card	<u>LL</u>
4. Statistical Card	<u>LL</u>
5. Roneo Strip	<u>LL</u>
6. Retention Card	<u>LL</u>
7. _____	
DATE	<u>22-7-41</u>

(3) On being enrolled as a member of the Saskatoon Division of the 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1941

Signature of applicant Peter W. Wallace.



(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 20<sup>th</sup>

day of June 1941

R. W. Elbeck S/L R.C.N.V.R.  
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Peter Wallace 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 Peter W. Wallace.

Witness R. W. Elbeck

Date 20<sup>th</sup> June 1941 Rank S/L 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

Peter Wallace 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 Saskatoon Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

R. W. Elbeck S/L R.C.N.V.R.  
Attesting Officer.

**SASKATOON DIVISION R.C.N.V.R.**  
R.C.N.V.R. Division Saskatoon  
(or other establishment)

20 June 1941

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.

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15M-4-40 (4717)  
N.S. 815-11-17

O.H.F.

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

WALLACE - Peter William

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

*I.C.N.S. 4790*

Training Headquarters <i>Esquimalt</i>	R.C.N.V.R. Division <i>Saskatoon</i>	Official Number <i>V11722</i>
		"
		"

**H.M.C.S. UNICORN**

Date of Birth *11<sup>th</sup> January 1923*

Place of Birth *Saskatoon, Saskatchewan*

Place of Residence *131 Main St., Saskatoon Sask.*

Trade brought up to *Sheet metal worker*

Religion *C. of E.*

Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date *19* Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

P.S.T. Date *19* Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)  
*Mother Christiana*  
*131 Main St. Saskatoon Sask.*

**O.H.F.** *Saskatoon*

*9-11-43*

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>20 June '41</i>	<i>Hostilities</i>	<i>Ord Sea.</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>8 1/2</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>120</i>	<i>Dark brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Scar on tongue.</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







V11722

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-W-1172

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V11722

NAME WALLACE, (Surname) Peter, William (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 11 January, 1923.PLACE OF BIRTH Saskatoon, Sask. OCCUPATION Call Boy, C.N.R.RELIGION Anglican EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 131 Main St. Town Saskatoon Province, etc. Sask.

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
20	6	41	5'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	d.brn	brown	medium	one on tongue.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs Christina WallaceADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 131 Main St. Town Saskatoon Province, etc. Sask.

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	
1	4	14	1929-41	4-5	11	41	Passed E.T.I. RCNVR.				
				4	4	42	TR				
				13	1	42	Qual. A/G. 2 days				

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		

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

FILM  
NO. WAP-5357-8  
DATE

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From To

W.S.G.  
APPLICATION  
8302  
RECEIVED

V11722

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME

WALLACE

(Surname)

Peter, William

(Given Names)

P.L.B. 1

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V11722

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Un-Qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
Div. Str. Saskatoon	Ord. Smn. (ty)	20	6	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41	a-A.A. 3	3	6	42			
Duty Div. Hdqrs.	Ord. Smn.	11	7	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Naden	" " "	5	1	42	Prince Robert 5--11-2-42.	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Cornwallis	" " "	2	5	42	D.R.D.	V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Stadacona	" " "	3	6	42	D.R.D.												
Naden	" " "	7	6	42	D.R.D.												
H.M.C.S. Guysborough	" " "	20	6	42	D.R.D.#2374												
	A/A.B.	11	8	42	(249A11972) Rated.												
	A.B.	12	10	42	" " Conf.												
Stadacona	"	16	12	43	S#13:P#3												
Persian (Niobe)	"	17	12	43	S#14:P#0												
Athabasca	"	1	2	44	N.DRD 401												
DISCHARGED	"	29	4	44	"Missing" (Casualty List)												



GENERAL REMARKS

X-ray approved.  
 Awarded Can. Memorial Cross to:  
 Mother: Mrs. Christina Wallace,  
 131 Main St.,  
 Saskatoon, Sask. on 6-3-45.

Presumed "DEAD" Casualty List Page 70.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL.	ED.	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	MAIN	SUB	MAIN	SUB	GION	P.	CTY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK
11	1	23	19	533	0	30	X	7	11	29	0	22	0	08	95
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP OR	RANK OR RATE				
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A	BR	RANK		
20	06	41	11	07	41					9830	0	08	94		
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M	CODED			CHECKED					
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.									
12	10	42	09	19	00	20	290499								

SW 15 AD





VERIFICATION FORM

ARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.

NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RANK/RATING ..... *A.B.* ..... OFF. NO. *V-11732* ..... ADDRESS .....

AREA	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS						STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS
	FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.			
							1939-45	1	<i>star</i>
<i>we</i>							ATLANTIC	1	<i>star</i>
<i>we ad.</i>							FRANCE G.		
<i>ad.</i>							AFRICA		
<i>OK</i>							PACIFIC		
<i>ad.</i>							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
<i>ad. 29-4-44</i>							C.V.S.M.	2	<i>clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	<i>medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *PS* .....

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

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### REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

REPORTS... NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS at OTTAWA, Ont.

Name WALLACE, Peter William (Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Able Seaman Official No. V-11722 Unit R.C.N. R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Saskatoon, Sask. Date of Birth 11th January, 1923

Occupation in Civil Life Call Boy C.N.R. Religion Church of England

Number of years service in the Navy (Long Service R.C.N., or mobilized service in case of R.C.N. (Temporary) or Reserve ratings) From 20th June, 1941 to 29th April, 1944

Date of Death 29th April, 1944 Place of Death At Sea

Cause of Death Missing, presumed dead, when H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel.

Nearest known relative or friend: Name Mrs. Christina Wallace, Relationship Mother, Address 131 Main Street, BASKATOON, Sask.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship XXX Naval Service Headquarters: 1 May, 1944.

Date on which death was registered with local Officials

In the case of Imperial Service men, whether Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to Nationality

If applicable: Place of Burial No burial, Date of Burial, Location, Number, etc., of grave, Undertaker employed

H.B. Money for SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD. (Commanding Officer) e.m.c.

The SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, Department of National Defence, Ottawa, Canada.

Date OTTAWA, Ont. 12 January, 1945.

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

Distribution: File, Imp. W. G. Com., Dem. Stat., Register, Sec. C.P.C., Dir. of Records.

C.N.S. 1121, 10M-6-44 (774), N.S. 7570-S-1121

DNPA g.p.

ENTERED IN DNPA's LOG BOOK, JAN 18 1945, CLERK No. 1

NAVAL MESSAGE

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V-11722

To:

MRS CHRISTINA WALLACE,  
131 MAIN STREET,  
SASKATCON, SASK.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

G.R. BY

C.R. BY *FC*

CNP

THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES

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DEEPLY REGRETS TO REPORT THAT YOUR SON PETER  
WILLIAM WALLACE ABLE SEAMAN, ROYAL CANADIAN  
NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE OFFICIAL NO V-11722  
IS MISSING FROM H.M.C.S. "ATKABASHAN".  
FOLLOWS.

TYPEWRITER  
SEP 1 1944

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DELIVERY CONFIRMED

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A I R M A I L  
N.S. V-11722 Pers. (N)

1 May, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Wallace:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 1st of May, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Peter William Wallace, Able Seaman, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V-11722 is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

According to the report received from overseas, your son's loss occurred when H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 29th April, 1944, in the English Channel. Further particulars of this Naval disaster are being published in the newspapers.

While Able Seaman Wallace is reported "missing", there is a possibility of his survival. It is understood that a number of the crew have been taken prisoners of war by the enemy. The Red Cross have been informed and are attempting to obtain from the German Government a list of those taken. Please be assured that as soon as any further information respecting your son has been received you will be informed.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

LETTER DISPATCHED BY  
PERSONNEL NAVAL  
MAY 1 1944  
*Paul F.*  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Christina Wallace,  
131 Main Street,  
SASKATOON, SASK.

*ms*

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10th October, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Wallace,

I must regretfully inform you that since your son was reported missing no further information has been received of his survival or that he is a prisoner of war.

I wish to assure you, however, that the Department makes every endeavour to discover the fate of missing men and draws upon all likely sources of information about them.

In the case of men who are believed to be prisoners of war continuous efforts are made to speed up the machinery whereby their names and camp addresses can reach this country. The official means is by lists of names prepared by the enemy government. These lists take some time to compile, especially if there is a long journey from the place of capture to a prisoners of war camp. Consequently "capture cards", filled in by the prisoners themselves soon after capture and sent home to their relatives are often the first news received in this country that a man is a prisoner of war.

Very slight hope is now held, however, that your son is a prisoner of war as the total number of names of men who are known to be prisoners from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" coincides with the number which the Germans claim to have captured from this ship.

Even if no news is received that a missing man is a prisoner of war, endeavours to trace him do not cease. Enquiries are pursued, not only among those who were serving with him, but also through diplomatic channels and the International Red Cross Committee at Geneva. The moment reliable news is obtained from any of these sources it is sent to the Department and is immediately passed on to the next of kin.

Should no information be received to the contrary your son will be presumed dead by the Canadian Naval Authorities at a later date.

May I extend my sincere sympathy in this time of anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

Despatched by  
Sec. N. B.
  
 SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.
Date 10/10/44  
Time 1830

Mrs. Christina Wallace,  
131 Main Street,  
Saskatoon,  
Sask.

F  
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

D OF D 29-4-44

NAVY

AWARDS

D.D.  
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

WALLACE	Peter William	V-11722	A.B.	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 AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	1729 16/1/50
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCNVR Aug. 45 "ATHABASKAN"  
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS

PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. Peter Wallace - Father

ADDRESS: 131 Main Street,  
Saskatoon, Sask.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. Christina Wallace

ADDRESS: 131 Main St., Saskatoon, Sask.

(1)	MEMORIAL BAR
	DATE DESP .....
	REGN NO <u>274</u> .....

(2)

(3)

6-3-45