



SECOND WORLD WAR AND K FORCE ARMY SERVICE RECORDS COMMONLY USED ABBREVIATIONS

A/	Acting
A/A	Anti Aircraft
A/T	Anti Tank
Adm	Admitted
ADS	Advanced Dressing Station
Adv Base	Advanced Base
Amn Coln	Ammunition Column
AOR	At Own Request
App	Appointment
Apptd	Appointed
APR	Awaiting Passage Return
ASC	Army Service Corps
Attd	Attached
AW(O)L	Absent With / Without Leave
BC	Battle Casualty
BCOF	British Commonwealth Occupational Force
Bde	Brigade
Bn/Btn/Batt	Battalion
BOD	Base Ordnance Depot
BOW	Base Ordnance Workshop
BRD	Base Reception Depot
Bty	Battery
Capt	Captain
Cas	Casualty
CB	Confined to Barracks
CCS	Casualty Clearing Station
CMF	Central Mediterranean Force
CO	Commanding Officer
COE	Church of England
Comp Coy	Composite Company
Conv Dep	Convalescent Depot
Coy	Company/Sub-unit commanded by Major
Cpl	Corporal
Cse	Course
Ctba	Ceases to be attached
CWGC	Commonwealth War Graves Commission

Dischdg/ Disch	Discharged
DCM	District Court Martial/Distinguished Conduct Medal
Div	Division
Div Cav	Divisional Cavalry
DOD	Died of Disease
DOW	Died of Wounds/Duration of War/ Divisional Ordnance Workshops
DSO	Distinguished Service Order
E	Engineers
E/D Pay	Extra Duty Pay
Ech	Echelon
Emb/Embn	Embarkation
Engr	Engineer
ERS	Education and Rehabilitation Services
FAP	For All Purposes
FGCM	Field General Court Martial
Fd Amb	Field Ambulance
Fd Coy	Field Company
Fd Wksp	Field Workshops
FDL	Forward Defended Locality
FPC	Field Punishment Centre
FSS	Field Security Section/Service
GH	General Hospital
Gnr	Gunner
GSW	Gunshot Wound
GVP	Guard Vital Point
HQ	Headquarters
Inf	Infantry
Instr	Instructor
Instrn	Instruction
IP	In Pacific
KIA	Killed in Action
LAD	Light Aid Detachment
LAFV	Light Armoured Fighting Vehicle
Lieut	Lieutenant
LRDG	Long Range Desert Group

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Lt A/A	Light Anti-Aircraft
Lt Col	Lieutenant-Colonel
Lt/2 Lt	Lieutenant /Second Lieutenant
Lustre Force	Code Name for NZ Forces in Greece and Crete
LWOP	Leave Without Pay
LWP	Leave With Pay
M/I	Marched In
M/O	Marched Out
M/U	Medically Unfit
Mac	Motor Ambulance Convoy
Mainyard	Pacific Front Line
Maj	Major
MC	Military Cross / Medical Corps/ Military Camp
MDS	Mobile Dental Section/Main Dressing Station
MEC	Mechanical Equipment Company
MEF	Middle East Force
MG	Machine Gun
MIA	Missing in Action
MID	Mentioned in Despatches
MM	Military Medal
MSU	Mobile Surgical Unit
MT	Mechanical Transport
NCO	Non-Commissioned Officer
Necal	New Caledonia
NMR	National Military Reserve
NYD	Not Yet Diagnosed
NZ Con Dep	NZ Convalescent Depot
NZ Rec Dep	NZ Reception Depot
NZASC	NZ Army Service Corps
NZE	NZ Engineers
NZEF	New Zealand Expeditionary Force
NZFA	NZ Field Artillery
NZGH	NZ General Hospital
NZGRU	NZ Graves Registration Unit
NZHS	NZ Hospital Ship
NZMC	NZ Medical Corps
NZOC	NZ Ordnance Corps
NZPS	NZ Permanent Staff
NZPWRU	NZ Prisoner of War Repatriation Unit
NZRB	NZ Rifle Brigade
NZRD	NZ Reinforcement Depot
NZ Rec Dep	NZ Reception Depot

NZRTU	NZ Reinforcement Transit Unit
NZSC	NZ Staff Corps
NZTES	NZ Temporary Employment Section
NZTS	NZ Temporary Service
OC	Officer Commanding
OCTU	Officer Cadet Training Unit
P/U	Permanently Unfit
Pet Coy	Petrol Company
POW	Prisoner of War
Pte	Private
Ptn/PI	Platoon
RAP	Regimental Aid Post
RC	Roman Catholic
Regt/Rgt	Regiment
Reinf/ Reinfts	Reinforcement/s
Res	Reserve
Rft	Reinforcement
RMT	Reserve Mechanical Transport
RTNZ	Returned to NZ
Sgt	Sergeant
SOS	Struck Off Strength
Spr	Sapper
Sqn	Squadron
Sup Coln	Supply Column
T/	Temporary
T.I.T.	Territorial Intensive Training
T/U	Temporarily Unfit
TF	Territorial Force
Tfd	Transferred
TOS	Taken On Strength
Tp	Troop
Tpr	Trooper
Trg	Training
Trg Coy	Training Company
TS	Troop Ship
VAD	Voluntary Aid Detachment
VC	Victoria Cross
VD	Volunteer Decoration/Venereal Disease
WEF	With Effect From
WOAS	While on Active Service
WWII	World War Two
WWSA	Women's War Service Auxiliary