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### **Mercian Regimental Association**

**Introduction.** The MRA is an association for all ex Mercian Veterans and antecedent regiment veterans. The association will be the network that will enable you as an individual to maintain links with your Mercian colleagues through your transition and in years to come. The MRA will look to organise events annually as will your local branch to ensure the Mercian ethos and veterans of the regiment are upheld to a high standard over the long-term.

#### **The Mercian Regimental Association objectives are:**

- a. To promote the proficiency of the Mercian Regiment by:
  - (1) Maintaining contact and building network links between past and present members of the Regiment and the Antecedent Regiments.
  - (2) Fostering mutual friendships between all members and providing social (and commemorative) gatherings for them.
- b. Keeping alive the esprit de corps of the regiment by promoting comradeship among its members, especially after they have transitioned to civilian life by supporting regimental events which incorporate antecedent association events.
- c. Supporting and promoting regimental traditions and preserving those of our Antecedent regiments where appropriate.
- d. To identify and assist members of the association and their families who are in circumstances of need, hardship or distress with a view to arranging regimental benevolence or charitable financial support from other such organisations as may be appropriate.

#### **There are three categories of MRA membership:**

- a. **General Membership.** Any serving or past member of the Regiment or Antecedent Regiments who qualified as a soldier or as an officer and is a member of a recognised MRA Branch is a general member and shall receive a membership card. General Members shall pay a levy to their branch in order to support Branch and MRA activities.
- b. **Honorary Membership.** Branch committees can vote to give an individual honorary status as a means of acknowledging that individuals loyal service or an instances of extremely generous commitment of finance or time.
- c. **Associate Membership.** Associate Membership of the MRA will be reserved for any person who was an associate member of one of the Antecedent associations. Any person who served or are serving with other Arms or Services outside The Mercian Regiment. Any war widow or NOK of an MRA member or serving MERCIAN. An associate member will pay the branch levy but cannot serve as a branch committee member.

**Summary.** The MRA will ensure the veterans of the Mercian Regiment are well looked after, have a network they can lean on in times of strife and ensure that the Mercian Regiment continues to thrive. The MRA will be a core aspect of Mercian veterans care, the association will look to run annual events to enable individuals to maintain close links across the nation. We will always Stand Firm and Strike Hard!

President: Colonel of the Regiment - Brig (Retd) AP Williams OBE

Chairman: Lt Col (Retd) D Bridges

Secretary: Regimental Adjutant – Capt D Maddock

D Maddock  
Capt  
MRA Secretary



**MRA Membership Form:**

I wish to become a member of the Mercian Regimental Association.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Regimental Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Membership to start: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

My contact details are as follows (*membership cannot be completed without your contact details*):

- Email: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Circle as applicable:

- I wish to join as a general member (*Mercian & Antecedent Veterans or serving*)
- Or
- I wish to join as an associate member (*you have served previously but not as a Mercian*)
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- I agree to pay the MRA Branch subscription fee to my Branch annually.
    - The levy currently is not to exceed £15 per annum.
    - These funds are to be used for administration and event co-ordination purposes, all funds will be administered through the branches.
  - I agree to abide by the rules of the MRA (available through your branch) and pay the annual levy.
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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Please hand this form to your branch secretary.