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Naval and maritime information sources

NB: Please note that charges may be incurred at these institutions. You are advised to enquire at the appropriate institution before proceeding.

Personnel and Ship Records:

Ratings Pre 1924, WRNS WW1 records, Officers 1756-1917 and all ship records: National Archives (PRO) Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 4DU Tel: 020 8876 3444 www.nationalarchives.gov.uk (Documents online: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline/navy.asp>)

Ratings 1924-72, Officers 1906-1982, WRNS 1939-1955, Reservists WW2: Director of Naval Personnel, Navy Search, TNT Records Management, PO Box 7814, Tenton Point, William Nadin Way, Swadlincote, Derbyshire DE11 1EG Tel: 01283 227912 or 227913 email: navysearchpgrc@tnt.co.uk

Forms for making a Subject Access Request (SAR) **regarding** former members of the armed forces can be downloaded at: <https://www.gov.uk/requests-for-personal-data-and-service-records>

Ratings Post 1972, WRNS Post 1956: Director of Naval Personnel, Disclosure Cell, Room 48, Mail Point G2, West Battery, Whale Island, Portsmouth PO2 8DX Tel. 02392 628672

Officers aged under 60 & still serving/retired: Officers' Mobilisation Division, Room 171, Victory Building, HM Naval Base Portsmouth PO1 3LS

Medal entitlements: Service Personnel and Veterans Agency (SPVA) (Joint Personnel Administration Centre) MoD Medal Office Building 250 Imjin Barracks Gloucester GL3 1HW E-mail: Medals@SPVA.mod.uk

Naval Museums:

Royal Naval Submarine Museum, Haslar Jetty, Gosport, Hampshire, PO12 2AS Tel. 023 9251 0354 www.rnsubmus.co.uk

Royal Marines Museum, Eastney Barracks, Southsea, Hampshire, PO4 9PX Tel. 023 9281 9385 www.royalmarinesmuseum.co.uk

Fleet Air Arm Museum, RNAS Yeovilton, Yeovilton, Somerset, BA22 8HT Tel. 01935 840565 www.fleetairarm.com

Other General Sources:

Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, London, SE1 6HZ Tel. 020 7416 5000 www.iwm.org.uk
Naval Historical Branch, HM Naval Base (PP20) Portsmouth PO1 3LU (written enquiries only)

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Sources of Merchant Shipping & Personnel Records:

General Register & Record Office of Shipping and Seamen, MCA Cardiff, Anchor Court, Ocean Way Cardiff CF24 5JW
www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/mcga-seafarer_information/mcga-rss-home.htm

Merseyside Maritime Museum, Maritime Records Centre, Albert Dock, Liverpool,
L3 4AA Tel. 0151 478 4424 www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk

National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London, SE10 9NF Tel. 020 8858 4422 www.rmg.co.uk

National Fisheries Heritage Centre (trawler histories), Alexandra Dock, Great Grimsby, Lincolnshire, DN31 1UZ
<http://welcome.to/NFHCentre/>