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THE AIR EFFICIENCY AWARD.

ROYAL WARRANT.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India; To all to whom these Presents shall come. Greeting.

Whereas We are desirous of signifying Our appreciation of long and meritorious service in Our Auxiliary and Volunteer Air Forces;

We do hereby for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, institute and create a medal to be available for officers and airmen and to be designated the "Air Efficiency Award";

And We do hereby direct that the following regulations shall govern the said award:—

1. *Description*.—The Air Efficiency Award shall be in silver.

2. *Ribbon*.—The award shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a ribbon of one inch and a half in width which shall be in colour green with two central stripes of pale blue, one-eighth of an inch in width.

3. *Miniatures*.—Reproductions in miniature, which may be worn on certain occasions by those on whom this award is conferred, shall be approximately half the size of the award and a sealed pattern of the miniature award shall be kept in the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood.

4. *Eligibility (Royalty)*.—The award may be worn by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, and it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, to confer at Our pleasure the award upon any Printes of the blood Royal.

5. *Eligibility (general)*.—The award may be conferred on officers and airmen of any Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Force raised in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Our Indian Empire, Burma, any of Our Colonies or a territory under Our protection; or within any other part of Our Dominions Our Government whereof shall so desire or within any territory under Our protection administered by Us in such Government.

6. *Service required*.—The period of service requisite for the award shall be ten years' qualifying service (as defined in the regulations hereinafter mentioned) and shall include not less than five years' actual service (as defined in the regulations hereinafter mentioned) in an Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Force.

7. *Publication and registration*.—The names of those upon whom the award is conferred shall be published and a register kept in the manner prescribed in the regulations hereinafter mentioned.

8. *Forfeiture and restoration*.—It shall be competent for Our Air Council in regard to Our Auxiliary Air Force and Our Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, or for the Governors-General, Governors or Officers administering the Government, as the case may be, in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces of Our respective Dominions, Colonies or territories under Our protection, or for our Viceroy in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces in India, or for the Governor in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces in Burma, to cancel and annul the conferment of the award on any person and also to restore a forfeited award under the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter mentioned.

9. *Further regulations*.—The award shall be conferred under such regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration and other matters, in amplification of these Our regulations as may, with Our approval be issued from time to time by Our Air Council in regard to Our Auxiliary Air Force and Our Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, or by the Governors-General, Governors or Officers administering the Government, as the case may be, in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Reserve Air Forces of Our respective Dominions, Colonies or territories under Our protection, or by Our Viceroy in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Reserve Air Forces in India or by the Governor in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Reserve Air Forces in Burma.

10. *Annulment, etc., of regulations*.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these regulations or any part thereof by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at St. James's this seventeenth day of August, 1942, in the sixth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.
Archibald Sinclair.

Air Ministry, 11th September, 1942.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

Distinguished Service Order.

Wing Commander Peter Russell WALKER, D.F.C. (37435).

This officer has completed numerous sorties since April, 1942. By his meticulous planning and forethought, combined with his great skill and tenacity in action, he has won the complete confidence of his fellow pilots. In the recent Dieppe operations, Wing Commander Walker led