

THE PARACHUTE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION (PRA)
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
2015

1. ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP. All past and present members of Airborne Forces are welcome to join the PRA. This unique Association has over 13,000 members worldwide with over 100 branches in the UK alone.

Membership.

Normal Membership Normal Membership of the Association is available to: -

- a. Whosoever has served as a qualified military parachutist in The Parachute Regiment is entitled to full membership. Members of the Association will have the right to vote, hold office and wear the insignia of the Association.
- b. It is also available for any officer or other rank who has served on the War Establishment of a Parachute Battalion or Parachute Brigade Headquarters during the Second World War prior to 6th September 1945.
- c. It is also available to any person who, in the opinion of the Committee, has rendered special service to the Regiment.

Associate Membership Associate Membership of the Association is available to: -

- a. Whosoever has qualified as a military parachutist and served in a British airborne/air assault or Special Forces unit may be considered for associate membership of the Association. Associate Members of the Association will have the right to vote, hold office and wear the insignia of the Association.

Affiliate Membership Affiliate Membership of the Association is available to: -

- a. Those who have served as a qualified military parachutist in foreign airborne units may be considered for affiliate membership of the Association so long as they are able to prove their airborne credentials to the full satisfaction of the Regional Secretary.
- b. The normal subscription shall be payable by Affiliate members. Affiliate Members of the Association will not have the right to vote, hold office and wear the insignia of the Association with the exception of a Branch Tie should there be one.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION RATE - LIFE Membership £7.50 (O.A.P. Rate £5.00).

2. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY. Documentary proof of military parachute qualification must accompany this application. A photocopy is sufficient. If applicants do not still have documentary proof, they must write to the Army Records Centre to obtain the relevant parts of their Record of Service. The address is: APC Disclosures 1, MP520, Kentigern House, 65 Brown Street, Glasgow G2 8EX. Please supply your DOB, Army No, NI No and a photocopy of the photograph page of passport or driving license. There is no fee for this service.

TO BE A WORTHWHILE MEMBER YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN YOUR LOCAL BRANCH.

Being a member of a branch will enable the local branch Secretary to pass Association information on to you. Details of your nearest branch will be supplied by return of post. Alternatively please advise us of the branch you wish to join in your local area. We will inform the branch Secretary who will in turn advise you of branch meetings and activities.

ATTACHMENT: Please attach a copy of your Army Record of Service showing your service in Airborne Units.

To: The Assistant to the Secretary, The Parachute Regimental Association, Merville Barracks, Circular Road South, Colchester CO2 7UT

PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS

*LIFE MEMBERSHIP	£7.50
*LIFE MEMBERSHIP (OAP)	£5.00
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REGIMENTAL NUMBER..... RANK.....
SURNAME & INITIALS.....DECORATIONS.....
HOME ADDRESS.....
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POST CODE.....TEL.....DATE OF BIRTH.....

EMAIL ADDRESS.....

HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER PREVIOUSLY? *YES/NO (Give details).....

AIRBORNE UNITS SERVED WITH AND DATES** (in years only).....
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****Please attach a copy of your Army Record of Service showing your military parachute qualification****

SIGNATURE DATE

BRANCH SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE (IF APPLICABLE).....

Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to "The Parachute Regimental Association"

For security reasons all PRA members are required to have an ID Card/Membership Card. The ID card consists of a laminated colour passport-sized photograph trimmed down to 35mm x 45mm. Most photo machines can produce the correct size.

THIS PHOTO MUST SHOW THE APPLICANT WEARING PLAIN CLOTHES - NO UNIFORMS OR BERETS.

Please complete and send to: The Assistant to the Secretary, The Parachute Regimental Association, Merville Barracks, Circular Road South, Colchester CO2 7UT

ID CARD PROFORMA

NAME.....INITIALS.....

PRA NUMBER..... (If known)

ENCLOSED 1 X RECENT COLOUR PASSPORT PHOTO (trimmed to 35mm x 45mm)

SIGNATURE.....DATE.....

RETURN ADDRESS OF ID CARD (Please include Postcode)

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