Ministry of Defence Votes A

2015-16

for the year ending 31st March 2016

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These Votes A seek Parliamentary authority for the maximum numbers of personnel to be maintained for service with the Armed Forces during the year ending 31st March 2016. These numbers do not constitute the Trained Requirement of the Armed Forces, which are published separately in the UK Armed Forces Quarterly Personnel Report. Other Ministry of Defence Requests for Resources appear as Supply Estimates.

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VOTE A (Navy) I: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR NAVAL SERVICE

Thirty five thousand, eight hundred and fifty (35,850)

	2014-2015			2015-2016		
Officers	Men and Women	Total		Officers	Men and Women	Total
6,450	20,240	26,690	Royal Navy	6,570	20,940	27,510
920	7,500	8,420	Royal Marines	900	7,440	8,340
7,370	27,740	35,110	TOTAL	7,470	28,380	35,850

- 1. This Table of the Vote fixes the maximum number of officers, men and women of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, including those on terminal leave, who may be maintained for naval service at any time during the year.
- 2. The maximum number includes a margin of 1,710 to cover unforeseen contingencies.
- 3. The number includes personnel on loan service with government departments or other governments and personnel serving in international defence organisations
- 4. Naval service does not have officers designate.

VOTE A (Navy) II: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR SERVICE IN THE RESERVE NAVAL AND MARINES FORCES

(excluding those to be maintain as special members of these forces under Part V of the Reserve Forces Act 1996)

Twenty four thousand, three hundred and twenty (24,320)

	Officers	Men and Women	Total
Royal Fleet Reserve (naval officers and ratings)	4,960	10,580	15,540
Royal Fleet Reserve (marine officers and marines)	470	2,610	3,080
Royal Naval Reserve	1,250	2,200	3,450
Royal Marines Reserve	80	1,070	1,150
Royal Naval Reserve (List 7)	1,100	-	1,100
TOTAL	7,860	16,460	24,320

- 1. Those maintained on List 7 of the Royal Naval Reserve include Royal Naval Reserve temporary officers recruited to assist with University Royal Naval Units (URNUs), URNU undergraduates and members of the Defence Technical Undergraduate Scheme (DTUS). List 7 personnel do not have a call out liability.
- 2. The Reserve Forces Act 1996 introduced three new categories of the Reservist: Full-Time Reserve Service, Additional Duties Commitment and High Readiness Reserve. The following notes detail the maxima of personnel in these categories. These maxima are included in the totals shown in Table II above:

3. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be in full-time service under section 24 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Royal Fleet Reserve as naval officers and ratings	150	565	715
- In the Royal Fleet Reserve as marine officers and marines	40	100	140
- In the Royal Naval Reserve	140	135	275
- In the Royal Marines Reserve	35	100	135
Total in the reserve naval and marine forces who may at any time be in full-time service under section 24 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996	365	900	1,265

4. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be subject to additional duties commitment under section 25 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Royal Fleet Reserve as naval officers and ratings	20	15	35
- In the Royal Fleet Reserve as marine officers and marines	15	10	25
- In the Royal Naval Reserve	40	40	80
- In the Royal Marines Reserve	30	40	70
Total in the reserve naval and marine forces who may at any time be subject to additional duties commitments under section 25 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996	105	105	210
5. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be liable for call-out under special agreements as members of the High Readiness Reserve under Part IV of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Royal Fleet Reserve as naval officers and ratings	1.5		
	15	40	55
- In the Royal Fleet Reserve as marine officers and marines	5	40 20	55 25
In the Royal Fleet Reserve as marine officers and marinesIn the Royal Naval Reserve			
·	5	20	25

VOTE A (Navy) III: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR SERVICE AS SPECIAL MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE NAVAL FORCES UNDER PART V OF THE RESERVE FORCES ACT 1996

Two thousand, four hundred (2,400)

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	2015-2016 Officers Men and Tota Women		
Royal Naval Reserve	780	1,620	2,400
TOTAL	780	1,620	2,400

^{1.} Members of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary (RFA) have a liability to become Special Members of the Reserve Naval Forces. Existing RFA personnel may become Special Reservists on a voluntary basis whereas new entrants are automatically enlisted as part of their terms and conditions of service.

VOTE A (Army) I: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR ARMY SERVICE

One hundred and eight thousand, four hundred and thirty (108,430)

	2014-2015			2015-2016		
Officers	Men and Women	Total		Officers	Men and Women	Total
14,260	97,020	111,280	Army (Other than Services below)	13,860	91,090	104,950
140	3,760	3,900	Commonwealth, Colonial, &c., troops abroad and Gurkhas	150	3,330	3,480
14,400	100,780	115,180	TOTAL	14,010	94,420	108,430

- 1. This Table of the Vote fixes the maximum number of officers, men and women including those on terminal leave and also young and junior soldiers, who may be maintained for army service at any time during the year.
- 2. The maximum number includes a margin of 5,180 to cover unforeseen contingencies.
- 3. The number includes personnel on loan service with government departments or other governments and personnel serving in international defence organisations.
- 4. Officers includes up to 720 officers designate.

VOTE A (Army) II: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR SERVICE IN THE RESERVE LAND FORCES

(excluding those to be maintained as special members of these forces under Part V of the Reserve Forces Act 1996)

Ninety three thousand, three hundred and thirty (93,330)

	Officers	Men and Women	Total
Army Regular Reserve	11,300	26,770	38,070
Army Reserve	9,110	46,150	55,260
TOTAL	20,410	72,920	93,330

- 1. The totals of the Army Reserve include officers, men and women employed full-time but not Regular Army members of permanent staff who are included in Table 1.
- 2. The Defence Reform Act 2014 renamed the Army Reserve as the Regular Reserve and renamed the Territorial Army as the Army Reserve.
- 3. The Reserve Forces Act 1996 introduced three new categories of Reservist: Full-Time Reserve Service, Additional Duties Commitment and High Readiness Reserve. The following notes detail the maxima of personnel in these categories. These maxima are included in the totals shown in Table II above.

4. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be in full-time service under section 24 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Army Regular Reserve	1,045	1,850	2,895
- In the Army Reserve	820	1,500	2,320
Total in the reserve land forces who may at any time be in full-time service under section 24 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996	1,865	3,350	5,215
5. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be subject to additional duties commitments under section 25 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Army Regular Reserve	15	25	40
- In the Army Reserve	410	1,600	2,010
Total in the reserve land forces who may at any time be subject to additional duties commitments under section 25 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996	425	1,625	2,050

6. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be liable for call-out under special agreements as members of the High Readiness reserve under Part IV of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Army Regular Reserve	15	30	45
- In the Army Reserve	40	425	465
Total in the reserve land forces who may at any time be liable for call-out under special agreements as members of the High Readiness reserve under Part IV of the Reserve Forces Act 1996	55	455	510

VOTE A (Army) III: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR SERVICE AS SPECIAL MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE LAND FORCES UNDER PART V OF THE RESERVE FORCES ACT 1996

Five hundred and sixty (560)

	2015-2016			
	Officers	Men and Women	Total	
Army Regular Reserve	20	30	50	
Army Reserve	30	480	510	
TOTAL	50	510	560	

VOTE A (Air Force) I: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR AIR FORCE SERVICE

Thirty five thousand, eight hundred and seventy (35,870)

	2014-2015			2015-2016		
Officers	Men and Women	Total		Officers	Men and Women	Total
8,340	28,850	37,190	Royal Air Force	8,000	27,870	35,870
8,340	28,850	37,190	TOTAL	8,000	27,870	35,870

- 1. This Table of the Vote fixes the maximum number of officers, men and women, including those on terminal leave, who may be maintained for air force service at any time during the year.
- 2. The maximum number includes a margin of 1,720 to cover unforeseen contingencies.
- 3. The number includes personnel on loan service with government departments or other governments and personnel serving in international defence organisations.

VOTE A (Air Force) II: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR SERVICE IN THE RESERVE AIR FORCES

(excluding those to be maintained as special members of these forces under Part V of the Reserve Forces Act 1996)

Nineteen thousand, two hundred and fifty (19,250)

	Officers	Men and Women	Total
Royal Air Force Reserve	5,200	10,500	15,700
Royal Auxiliary Air Force	550	3,000	3,550
TOTAL	5,750	13,500	19,250

- 1. The maximum for the Royal Air Force Reserve includes 3,930 officers who hold commissions in the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve (Training) for the purposes of service with the Air Training Corps, Air Experience Flight, Combined Cadet Force and Volunteer Gliding Schools. The Royal Air Force Reserve Men and Women category includes 1,090 officer cadets serving with the University Air Squadrons.
- 2. The Reserve Forces Act 1996 introduced three new categories of Reservist: Full-Time Reserve Service, Additional Duties Commitment and High Readiness Reserve. The following notes detail the maxima of personnel in these categories. These maxima are included in the totals shown in Table II above.

3. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be in full-time service under Section 24 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Royal Air Force Reserve	500	550	1,050
- In the Royal Auxiliary Air Force	150	250	400
Total in the reserve air forces who may at any time be in full-time service under Section 24 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	650	800	1,450
4. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be subject to additional duties commitments under Section 25 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Royal Air Force Reserve	80	70	150
- In the Royal Auxiliary Air Force	40	40	80
Total in the reserve air forces who may at any time be subject to additional duties commitments under Section 25 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	120	110	230

5. Numbers of members of each force who may at any time be liable for call-out under special agreements as members of the High Readiness Reserve under Part IV of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	Officers	Men and Women	Total
- In the Royal Air Force Reserve	20	20	40
- In the Royal Auxiliary Air Force	70	80	150
Total in the reserve air forces who may at any time be liable for call-out under special agreements as members of the High Readiness Reserve under Part IV of the Reserve Forces Act 1996:	90	100	190

VOTE A (Air Force) III: MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS, MEN AND WOMEN TO BE MAINTAINED FOR SERVICE AS SPECIAL MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE AIR FORCES UNDER PART V OF THE RESERVE FORCES ACT 1996

Three hundred and ten (310)

	2015-2016		
	Officers	Men and Women	Total
Royal Air Force Reserve	100	210	310
Royal Auxiliary Air Force	-	-	-
TOTAL	100	210	310

