

### RACT POLICY STATEMENT

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**STATEMENT NO 26** 

THE AIR DISPATCH BREVET

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#### **AMENDMENT**

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### INTRODUCTION

1. The Air Dispatch (AD) Brevet recognises the unique nature of many of the duties of the Air Dispatcher. This policy statement describes the skill level required of a qualified Air Dispatcher before the Brevet may be awarded.

#### **AIM**

2. To direct the conditions of eligibility and subsequent promulgation for the awarding of the AD Brevet.

#### **POLICY**

#### **Definitions**

- 3. **Air Dispatch Unit.** For the purpose of this Policy Statement, an AD Unit is defined as 9th Force Support Battalion (9 FSB) and Air Mobility Training and Development Unit (AMTDU).
- 4. **Approving Authorities.** The Commanding Officer (CO) of 9 FSB and Executive Officer (XO) / Chief Instructor (CI) of AMTDU are designated approving authorities under this Policy Statement.

### **Conditions of Eligibility**

- 5. The following conditions of eligibility apply:
  - a. Successful completion of either the Army IET AD basic course or the Air Logistic Officers (ALO) Course.
  - b. Applicants are to be posted to an ECN 099 position or equivalent for officers at an AD Unit as described in paragraph 3.

#### Entitlement

- 6. Approving authorities are to remain satisfied that the eligibility criteria as evidenced by the member's trade skill currency record and record of service are consistently being met at a satisfactory standard whilst employed in an AD Unit. Consideration to remove a member's Brevet will be commensurate with an individual's performance, soldierly qualities, capacity, qualifications, and trade history.
- 7. The RACT AD Officer is not required to prove or maintain the AD specific ALO skill set currencies after initial training due to the unique workforce structure and roles within AD. If a member is Unit Emplaning Officer (UEO) qualified, the Officer must maintain a skill set currency of a minimum 12 months or be certified current by an AD Employment Category testing Officer (ECTO) prior to conducting those duties.

8. It is acknowledged that individuals may not be able to maintain the full range of skill set currencies at all times including whilst posted outside of AD Units. Currency training must be conducted and certified by an authorised AD ECTO prior to conducting any skill set that has lapsed a 12 month period.

#### Removal of Entitlement to the Brevet.

9. Where an approving authority has determined that a member, through performance or disciplinary reasons, should no longer retain the Brevet, they can withdraw the entitlement from that member. Members who have their brevet removed remain eligible at a later date to receive the Brevet again, after an approving authority has satisfied themselves that the criteria of para 5 and 6 are met and the reason for removal of the entitlement has been considered. In determining whether to remove the Brevet from a member, approving authorities must determine if a member through some act or series of acts, is no longer deserving of the recognition that the Brevet offers.

## Promulgation

- 10. When the entitlement is verified by the approving authority, the member's parent unit is to:
  - a. promulgate the award in unit Routine Orders;
  - b. enter the award in the soldier's Regimental Record of service and the soldier's Flying Log Book or Unit currency records;
  - c. forward a copy of a Personal Occurrence Report to DSCM-A; and
  - d. issue the Certificate of Qualification as displayed at enclosure 1.
- 11. When the entitlement to wear the Brevet is removed by an approving authority, the member's parent unit is to:
  - a. promulgate the loss of the award in unit Routine Orders;
  - b. enter the occurrence in the soldier's Regimental Record of Service and the soldier's Flying Log Book; and
  - c. forward a copy of a Personal Occurrence Report to DSCM-A.

#### Wearing of the Brevet

12. The Brevet is to be worn in accordance with the provisions of the Army Dress Manual.

### **Distribution of this Corps Policy Statement**

- 13. This Corps Policy Statement is to be distributed to the following units for the attention of the CO and the senior RACT member in the unit:
  - a. 9 FSB and
  - b. AMTDU.

#### **Enclosure:**

1. Certificate of Qualification



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## AIR DISPATCH QUALIFICATION



This is to certify that

has successfully achieved all the requirements for qualification to wear the Air Dispatch Brevet

Dated: