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## Sgt Réjean Lessard, CD

On June 15, 2018, Sgt Réjean Lessard will retire after more than 35 years of loyal and dedicated service with the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), including 30 years with the RCEME Corps.

Sgt Lessard joined the CAF in 1981 as a reservist. He was then an infantryman with the Regiment de la Chaudière and on November 19, 1987, he joined the regular force as a vehicle technician. After completing his basic training and a language course in St-Jean-sur-Richelieu in Quebec and his QL3, he was posted to CFB Valcartier at 5 Svc Bn. He returned to Borden in 1989 to follow his QL5.

In 1993 he was posted to 2 R22R where he was deployed in Croatia from 03 April to 17 October 1995. He participated in the Winnipeg Flood Aid 1997, and deployed to Haiti from 03 October 1997 to 03 April 1998.

In 1999, he returned to 5 Svc Bn, for five years, and in 2000 he was promoted to MCpl. He also participated in Op PALLADIUM in Bosnia from March 15 to October 02, 2002.

In 2004, he was posted to CFB Bagotville QC, where he served consecutively as a supervisor in the tool store and supervisor at refueling section. During this transfer, he was deployed at CFS Alert August 2004 up to February 2005 and was deployed to the MIRAGE camp from 01 December 2008 to June 30, 2009.

Promoted to Sergeant on his return in 2009, he was posted to CFB Valcartier once again, to 5 Svc Bn where he held the position of a maintenance supervisor. In 2014 he was posted to 12 RBC where he served as production Sgt of C/S Sqn and A Sqn with whom he spent a few weeks at Hall Beach, Nunavut in February 2017.



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He was last posted to the 5 Svc Bn on October 16, 2017, until his retirement at the VTT / VLA section at Transport Company.

Sgt Lessard will return to his home region of Lac-Mégantic where he owns a house. He will work in a sugar shack for maple syrup production. He would like to thank and greet all his colleagues and all the people he has worked with during his years of service with the Corps of RCEME.

A non-formal departure dinner will be held on June 15, 2018, at 11:30 am at the beaver center restaurant at CFB Valcartier. Stories, anecdotes and RSVP can be sent to Sgt Denis Constantineau, [denis.constantineau@forces.gc.ca](mailto:denis.constantineau@forces.gc.ca).



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