

# RCEME GEMIRC

## RETIREMENT MESSAGE



### MCpl Stephen Richard, CD

After 15 years of loyal and dedicated service to the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and the RCEME Corps, MCpl Stephen Richard will retire on 27 Feb 2019.

MCpl Richard joined the Canadian Forces on 06 Jan 2004 in Sydney N.S. and soon headed to the Mega. After completing basic and receiving his Cpl's as a Veh Tech, Stephen headed off to CFB Borden for his CET, CETT and DP1 & 2 Combination Veh Tech course. Upon completion Cpl Richard was posted to CFB Gagetown from Jul 05 to Jul 09, spending his time with Maint Coy on and off Base including WTP. During this time he also was tasked to begin work up training for Roto 01-07 and headed off to beautiful Wainwright for winter training, before heading to Afghanistan in Feb 2007.

After returning, Cpl Richard received back surgery and upon recovery and fighting off a P-Cat he was soon posted to CFB Borden CFSEME, Veh Coy as an Instructor and when there promoted to MCpl in 09. While with Veh Coy he completed his PLQ and DP3 trg and worked in the CSO Cell before being sent to Regt Coy to assist instructing the DP3 courses from Nov 12 to Aug 13. Stephen then requested a posting back east but only made it back as far as Gagetown once again in Sept 13 with Maint Coy. In Nov 15, he started his Medical Retention and placed in the ADP Rep position for Maint Coy full time until his release.

MCpl Richard plans to go back to Cape Breton and to spend time with his family and friends. Rather than a formal DWD, he has chosen to have a small farewell breakfast with peers.



## Arte et Marte