

Retirement MWO Sylvain Dionne CD, Veh Tech 129

After more than 30 years of loyal and dictated services to the CAF, MWO Sylvain Dionne will retire on July 6, 2018. Sylvain was born on September 27, 1969, in Mont-Carmel county Kamouraska, Quebec.

On June 30th 1988, he enlisted in the Regular Force as a Naval Signalman. In 1990, he felt that the navy life was not for him and he requested an occupational transfer to vehicle technician. He would complete his Veh Tech QL3 in 1991.

His first posting was with the maintenance company of 5th Service Battalion with the FRG from 1991 to 1996, for the period of which he received his promotion to Cpl, completed his QL5, and participated in 2 overseas deployments: Bosnia (93-94), and Croatia. (95).

From 1996 to 2002, he was assigned to the HQ and Sig Sqn, and would participate in his third deployment, also in Bosnia (2001). Promoted to MCpl in 2002, he would return to 5th Service Battalion for a second time, this time to the Maint Coy. He participated in his 4th deployment, this time in Afghanistan (2004). Upon his return, he joined the QL4 training centre as the platoon 2 IC. Once promoted to a Sgt, he was posted to St-Hubert in 2007.

From 2007 to 2010, he held various positions in St-Hubert with 2 years at the 34th Service Battalion as the IC Maint section and the his last year as IC of the control office at the maintenance of materiel support group.

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In 2010, Sylvain obtained his promotion to Warrant Officer and was reassigned to 5 Svc Bn, at the Admin Coy, as the generation force training WO for ROTO 3-10. As the TF deployed, he was sent back to the Maint Coy as of QL4 training centre platoon 2 IC, helping to merge and centralize the training of all 4 RCEME trades.

In 2012 he left to joint 1st battalion R22er as the control WO, position he held for one year up until his promotion to MWO in 2013. Following that, he took over the ETQMS position within 1st R22er until 2016. While he was there, he took part in the ROTO 01-15 work up training but did not deploy.

In 2016, he was posted for the 4th time to the 5 Svc Bn to the Tpt Coy. He served as the commercial vehicle platoon 2 IC at building 110, a place where he didn't see the last 2 years pass. Contrary to the popular belief, the CV platoon is a very busy place, especially in the winter period.

MWO Sylvain Dionne is currently looking into second career options. He plans on staying in the Quebec City area, in his home in Neufchâtel and plans to take advantage of military retirement and take some trips.

MWO Sylvain Dionne would like to thank everyone whom he served with and has been part of this great adventure, those individuals were for him, an inspirational source throughout his career. The great friendships and the unforgettable souvenirs will be present forever in his memory.

A farewell dinner will take place in Valcartier at the officers Mess on June 28th 2018 at 11h30 for 12h00. Please RSVP for the diner, mention of allergies are required, all messages and stories can be sent to WO T.R. Pion by e-mail tommy.pion@forces.gc.ca.

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