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RETIREMENT MESSAGE



CWO Jeff McLeod, CD

After 31+ years of service with the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and the Corps of Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RCEME), CWO McLeod will retire on 12 August 2020.

CWO Jeff McLeod was born in Liverpool, Nova Scotia on 3 August 1970 and lived his civilian life in the neighbouring village of Milton. He enrolled in the Canadian Armed Forces in Halifax, on 14 February 1989 as a Materials Technician, and commenced basic training in CFRS Cornwallis on 25 February 1989.

After his Mat Tech QL3 was completed in April 1990, he was posted to HQ Sqn, RCD where he completed his On the Job Training, QL5 Mat Tech, numerous exercises and training. In 1994 he was posted to Maintenance Company, 2 Svc Bn, and within a short amount of time he was attached back to the RCD, and deployed to CANBAT II, Visoko, Bosnia.

After the tour, he returned to 2 Svc Bn. CWO McLeod was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to complete the Advanced Weld and Advanced Machining courses, an appointment to MCpl, deployment to Winnipeg for the Red River flood and a posting to the Canadian Forces School of Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (CFSEME) in Borden, ON in 1997.



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During his time at CFSEME, he was employed as a Welding Instructor for five years and a Refinishing Instructor for one year. He deployed to Eastern Ontario during the Ice Storm in 1998. In 2001 he trained and was placed on one of the Base Borden Nijmegen Teams, a hard way to get a trip to Holland, but well worth it! This was a very rewarding posting and he enjoyed it a great deal. In 2003, CWO McLeod was promoted to Sgt and posted to Maintenance Coy, 3 ASG Gagetown as the Materials Platoon Fabrication Sgt. Four years later in 2007; he completed the yearlong French course in Gagetown, and was promoted to Warrant Officer. CWO McLeod was posted to the Combat Training Center HQ after course, and assumed the position of Materials Technician Training Plan Manager. After three years of writing course training plans, he was promoted to MWO in 2011, and posted to Ottawa.

While in Ottawa, CWO McLeod worked in the Directorate of Armoured Vehicle Project Management (DAVPM 5 and 10) in the Mounted Soldier Survivability cell as a welding advisor, and later as a Life Cycle Materiel Manager (LCMM). After one year, he was posted back to CFSEME, Borden in 2012.

CWO McLeod then was Materials Platoon Commander for one year, and in 2013 he agreed to fill the Senior Technical Instructor (STI) position for Artisan Coy. In 2014 he was offered, and accepted the position of Company Sergeant Major, Maintenance Coy, Gagetown.

CWO McLeod held this position for the required two years and enjoyed it a great deal. He was always very proud of his Troops, and Maintenance Company. In 2016 he was posted to the Directorate of Combat Support Equipment Management (DCSEM) in Ottawa as a LCMM for mechanised shelters. Shortly after his posting he took over as the Assistant Occupational Advisor for the Materials Technician Trade, which he proudly held for two years.

On 15 June 2017, he was promoted to CWO and became the Directorate CWO (Sergeant Major) for DCSEM. CWO McLeod's last day in uniform will be 12 August 2020. After 31 plus years, he plans on retiring back in Milton, where his plans are undecided as of now.

A Departure with Dignity (DWD) Ceremony will not be held.



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