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MILITARY FORCES.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Name SAUNDERS Maurice Rueben Carl  
Unit 47 Group Base Supply  
Joined on 6 July 1915

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? Maurice Rueben Carl Saunders
2. In the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ in or near the Town of Prospect in the County of South Aust
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) NB
4. What is your age? 18 1/2 Years
5. What is your trade or calling? Turnsmith
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? No
7. Are you married? No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) Mother, Mrs Elizabeth Saunders, Smith Street, Warrsville, SA
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge 14 yrs I had to go to 80th Bat 3rd Div
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother) Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you after embarkation during your term of service? No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? Yes

Maurice Rueben Carl Saunders do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date 5 July 15

Maurice Saunders  
Signature of person enlisted.

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Description of Maurice Rueben Carl Sanders on Enlistment.

Age 18 years 11 months

Height 5 feet 6 1/4 inches

Weight 131 lbs.

Chest Measurement 32 3/4 inches

Complexion Fair

Eyes Blue

Hair Fair

Religious Denomination Catholic

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

No R b R b  
Wacc NIK

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :—

Scrofula ; phthisis ; syphilis ; impaired constitution ; defective intelligence ; defects of vision, voice, or hearing ; hernia ; hæmorrhoids ; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent ; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle ; inveterate cutaneous disease ; chronic ulcers ; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C. ; contracted or deformed chest ; abnormal curvature of spine ; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye ; his heart and lungs are healthy ; he has the free use of his joints and limbs ; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 5 7 15

Place KESWICK

J. B. Corbin  
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CAPTAIN  
amb

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him

to 1 Group Base Inf

Date July 6<sup>th</sup> 1915 H. M. M. Major

Place Mitcham Camp

Commanding Officer

Statement of Service of No.

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Name

SANDERS Maurice Reuben  
Earl

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
A Group.	Discharged <sup>15</sup> 8/11/15. Unlikely to become an efficient soldier.			} See CO 425/11 426/11/p. 108

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

(Sgd) W. L. Stuart

Major

Camp Commandant

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DISCHARGED

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD.

No. 2440 Name SANDERS Maurice Rueben Carl  
Unit A Group Base Inf  
Joined on 6<sup>th</sup> July 1915. Depot 415 MD

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... Maurice Rueben Carl Sanders
2. In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of Prospect in the County of South Aus
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown) ... to B
4. What is your age? ... 18 1/2 years
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Turnsmith
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... Mother Mrs Elizabeth Sanders Smith Street Walkerville South Aus
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces with ignominy, or as incorrigible and worthless, or on account of conviction of felony, or of a sentence of penal servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 1st S B Co 80<sup>th</sup> Ball Shell Sowing
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
14. (For married men and widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? ... Yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against Smallpox and Enteric Fever? ... Yes

Maurice Rueben Carl Sanders do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.\*

Date July 5<sup>th</sup> 1915 M. Sanders  
Signature of Person enlisted.

This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

Statement of Service No. **3049**

Name **SANDERS, Maurice** *Reuben*

Unit in which served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
B Coy, Metcham 7/43 Inf.	Private	26-3-17	31-3-17	72/11
	Pte	1-4-17		80/2
	Warrant issued 21 APR 1917			Walter Doleman Lt. Colonel CAMP. COMMANDANT.
	Warrant Cancelled 29 APR 1917			Walter Doleman Lt. Colonel CAMP. COMMANDANT.
7/43 Infantry	Warrant Issued 9-5-17			Walter Doleman Lt. Colonel CAMP. COMMANDANT.
	WARRANT CANCELLED 24 MAY 1917			Walter Doleman Lt. Col CAMP. COMMAND.
	Embarked HMAT. A.D. ADELPHI 23/6/17			
	Disembarked Plymouth 25-8-17 LR, 7314			
Pte	W/ to 4th Bng Bn Shuckhill from Aust	Eng	26-8-17	Do 53/3478 E LR 4648 1/10/17
Pte	Offence. Buckingham 24/9/17. a. w. 2 from 24/9/17. 3. 10. 17. till 5-30 Opms. 13. 10. 17. till award 31 days 3. p. by Lt. Col W.O. by and bridge 16. 10. 17 In custody awaiting trial 2 days total Forfeiture 31 days pay.			Do 57/3847 E. 3. 10. 17 LR 9841 P.B. 2/2 700459/17
Pte	8th Bn. O. Leao. France as. Suffolk. by anderville The 7th. 1st. 4th. 3rd. Bn. from The 7th. 1st. 4th. 3rd. Bn. from	France	18-12-17	Do 69/5. 31. 12. 17 LR 11574
Pte	To Hosp. Sick	"	6-1-18	204/512 25 1 18
Pte	Rej. unit & Hosp. (Sick)	"	18-1-18	203/650. 1. 2. 18
Pte	To Hosp. Sick	"	6-3-18	2012/1206 22 3/18

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

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Form B103 Part I.

Death and Casualty  
Form.

PART I.

4/18-12244.

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

(1) PRESENT UNIT		43rd Battalion.		(2) Regtl. No. 3049.					
(3) Present Rank	Pte.		(4) SURNAME	SANDERS.					
(5) Decorations			(6) Christian Names.	Maurice. Reuben					
Particulars. 400459									
(7) Date of Enlistment	26th March, 1917.		(8) Place of Enlistment	Adelaide, S.Aust.					
(9) Age on Enlistment	20 Years 2 Months		(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after veri- fication of Birth Certificate	<table border="1"> <tr> <th>Years</th> <th>Months</th> </tr> <tr> <td>Auth. C.R.</td> <td>/ /</td> </tr> </table>		Years	Months	Auth. C.R.	/ /
Years	Months								
Auth. C.R.	/ /								
(11) Birthplace	Prospect, S.Aust.		(12) Religion	C.of.E.					
(14) Trade or Calling	Farmer.		(13) If Married	No.					
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	23-6-17.		(15) If an Apprentice	No.					
(18)			(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	AUST.					
(19)			(21) Special Notification Card No.						
(20)									
(22)									

REPORT OF A DESERTER FROM THE *Mitcham Military Camp*  
*"L" Group*

Dated at *Mitcham* this *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 19*15*

Number, Rank, and Name	...	<i>Private Sanders, Maurine Rubin Earl.</i>
Age	...	<i>19 years</i>
Height	...	<i>5 feet 6 1/2 inches</i>
Complexion	...	<i>Fair</i>
Hair	...	<i>"</i>
Eyes	...	<i>Blue</i>
Date of Desertion	...	<i>August 4<sup>th</sup> 1915</i>
Place of Desertion	...	<i>Military Camp Mitcham</i>
Date of Enlistment	...	<i>July 6<sup>th</sup> 1915</i>
At what Place enlisted	...	<i>Reswick South Australia</i>
Where Born	...	<i>Prophet</i>
Marks	...	
Trade or Calling	...	<i>Linemith</i>
Coat or Jacket	...	
Waistcoat	...	
Trousers	...	
Remarks	...	
See Note*	...	
See Note†	...	<i>4 years Under 1<sup>st</sup> Bn 50<sup>th</sup> Batts.</i>

\* If the Soldier deserted while on furlough, it is to be stated thus—"On Furlough"  
† The length of a Soldier's service up to the time of desertion is to be here stated, thus—"Under Six Months' Service," "Under One Year's Service," "Under Two Years' Service," and so on, as the case may be.

*Forwarded from  
6 Mitchellham  
to Mitcham  
24/9/15  
S. J. Smith  
Commanding*

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE IN THE A.I.F. IN CONNECTION WITH  
ex-No. 3049. Pts. Maurice Reubar <sup>Paul</sup> SAUNDERS - 43rd Battalion.

ISSUED TO DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION - St Kilda road,  
 M E L B O U R N E.

Reference:- P/22011.C/, dated 20th December, 1924.

25. 3.17 ✓ Enlisted in the A.I.F.  
 25. 6.17 ✓ Embarked for active Service abroad.  
 25. 8.17 ✓ Disembarked at Plymouth.  
 26. 8.17 ✓ Marched into 11th Tng. Bn., Larkhill ex Australia.  
 OFFENCE:- Foramt 3/10/17, being A.W.L. from midnight  
 on 2/10/17 till 5.30 p.m. on 13/10/17.  
 Undated. ✓ AWARD:- 21 days F.P. No. 2. In custody awaiting trial.  
 ✓ Total forfeiture 34 days' pay.  
 5.11.17 ✓ Marched into 10th Tng. Bn. from 11th Tng. Bn.  
 18.12.17 ✓ Proceeded Overseas to France ex England.  
 19.12.17 ✓ Marched into A.I.B. Depot, Havre.  
 24.12.17 ✓ Taken on Strength of 43rd Battalion.  
 6. 1.18 ✓ Admitted to 11th A.F.Amb. - Debility.  
 17. 1.18 ✓ Discharged to duty.  
 18. 1.18 ✓ Rejoined 43rd Battalion.  
 5. 3.18 ✓ Admitted to 5th A.F.Amb. - Tonsillitis.  
 11. 3.18 ✓ Transferred to 7th Can. Gen. Hospital, Staples. - P.U.O.  
 18. 3.18 ✓ Transferred to 6th Conv. Depot.  
 29. 3.18 ✓ Discharged to Base Depot, Havre. "A".  
 10. 4.18 ✓ Rejoined 43rd Battalion.  
 OFFENCE:- Being A.W.L. from 7 a.m. on 17/5/18 to 7 a.m.  
 on 18/5/18.  
 18. 5.18 ✓ AWARD:- Deprived of 3 days' pay. Total forfeiture 4  
 days' pay.  
 5. 9.18 ✓ Admitted to 9th A.F.Amb. - Influenza.  
 15. 9.18 ✓ Transferred to No. 2 Conv. Depot.  
 OFFENCE:- W.O.A.S. being A.W.L. from 1730 until  
 returning to Camp about 1945 on 4/11/18 where wanted  
 for evacuation.  
 5.11.18 ✓ AWARD:- 3 days F.P. No. 2. Forfeits 1 day's pay.  
 Total forfeiture:- 4 days' pay- 10/11/18. *Rejoined Unit.*  
 12.12.18 ✓ Proceeded on leave.  
 27. 1.19 ✓ Rejoined 43rd Battalion ex A.W.L.  
 OFFENCE:- Being A.W.L. from 0600 on 26/12/18 to 0445  
 on 22/1/19.  
 29. 1.19 ✓ AWARD:- 28 days F.P. No. 2. Period under charge  
 23/1/19-29/1/19. Total forfeiture 61 days' pay.  
 OFFENCE:- Corisy Huleux on 29/3/19, being A.W.L. from  
 2100 on 29/3/19 to 2100 4/4/19.  
 16. 4.19 ✓ AWARD:- 10 days F.P. No. 2. Forfeits 6 days' pay.  
 Total forfeiture:- 16 days' pay.  
 8. 5.19 ✓ Marched out to England ex France.  
 9. 5.19 ✓ Disembarked at Southampton and marched into No. 3 Group.  
 OFFENCE:- Colford, 27/5/19, being A.W.L. from 2359 on  
 27/5/19 to 1315 on 6/6/19.  
 12. 6.19 ✓ AWARD:- 21 days F.P. No. 2. Total forfeiture:- 31  
 days' pay.  
 OFFENCE:- Colford 1/7/19, being A.W.L. from 0730 on  
 23/6/19 till 1930 on 26/6/19.  
 1. 7.19 ✓ AWARD:- 28 days F.P. No. 2. Total forfeiture:- 32  
 days' pay.

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✓ OFFENCE:- Being A.W.L. from 2359 on 10/7/19 to  
1700 on 28/7/19. Making a false statement.  
19. 8.19 ✓ AWARD:- Forfeits 28 days pay. Period under charge..  
21 days. Total forfeiture:- 67 days.  
8. 9.19 ✓ Left England for return to Australia per H.T.  
"EURIPIDES".  
18.10.19 ✓ Disembarked at Adelaide.  
19.11.19 ✓ Discharged from the A.I.F. at Adelaide. -  
Termination of period of enlistment.

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✓  
Copy of A.M. Form D2 attached. No other medical  
papers are available.

Melbourne,  
21 JAN 1925

Captain,  
Officer in charge Base Records.

Transferred to

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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 3049

Rank PTE

Name SANDERS. M.R.E.

Unit

43<sup>rd</sup> Battalion

LIST.

Casualty

*Relg to Aust. per H. F. "Euripides" embarked 3/9/19  
C.I.B.L. 3624/6616 dtd Lon. 13/9/19 Rec. B.R. 16/9/19*

Demobilized

*Returned to Australia per A. "Euripides"  
Disembarked M.D. 18/10/19 at 35/V.*

DATE

FORM B 108 PROFORMA

PURPORT.

2.10.19

*N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia. Form*

19/11/19

*Discharged M.D. 18/10/19*

*C.M. Form 7 Returned to Aust. 22/12/19  
7/10/31 Dupl. R.B. Badge C 2455. issued at Counter Receipt DN-869495*

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