

## Ministry of Defence Agencies and Organisations - Part 2

The following is a list of contact points for defence agencies and organisations (with email addresses where pertinent)

to assist organisations seeking to do business with the MoD.

### Defence Storage and Distribution Agency (DSDA)

Provides the Armed Forces with storage and distribution services. DSDA has secure open and covered storage facilities located nationwide with excellent road and rail links. A wide range of logistic and materiel handling skills and expertise. Operations are geared to normal and surge requirements.

#### HQ DSDA

Ploughley Road

Lower Arcott

Bicester

Oxon OX25 2LD

Tel: 01869 256804

Fax: 01869 256818

<http://www.dsda.org.uk/>

### Defence Supplier Service (DSS)

Provides advice and guidance to suppliers seeking to sell to the Ministry of Defence.

#### Defence Supplier Service

Ministry of Defence

Maple 2b #2233

Abbey Wood

Bristol BS34 8JH

Tel: 0117 913 2844

or Call Free 0800 282 324

#### Defence Technology Centres (DTCs)

Collaboration for enhanced UK defence capability.

DTCs are world-class centres of excellence conducting innovative, cutting-edge research for enhanced UK defence capability to ensure the continuing availability of sound technical advice and advanced and affordable technology to support mission-successful defence capabilities.

Early access to advanced technology is essential for the UK Armed Forces to retain a decisive edge over potential opponents. The need to keep that edge is reflected in the MoD's overarching science and technology (S&T) objective.

Experience has shown that, for many emerging technologies, a high payoff for UK defence is best achieved by collaboration within the broader UK science and technology community. Such collaboration means better equipment for MoD, more competitive products for industry and more opportunity for academia to exploit its ideas.

#### Defence Technology Centres

Building A14

Dstl Fort Halstead

Sevenoaks

Kent TN14 7BP

Tel: 01959 892836

Fax: 01959 892833

<http://www.mod.uk/dtc/index.html>

#### Defence Transport and Movements Agency (DTMA)

Building 211

Monxton Road

Andover

Hampshire SP11 8HT

Tel: 01264 382067

Fax: 01264 382 881

Defence Vetting Agency (DVA)

Responsible for carrying out, and maintaining, national security checks on military and civilian staff employed by the MoD, private sector personnel employed on defence-related work, and staff in a number of other government departments.

DVA are the largest government organisation carrying out security checks on people, and carry out around 140,000 checks and clearances each year.

Their aim is to carry out security checks on people in the armed services, the MoD civil service, certain other government departments, and in the defence industry. They check that people are suitable to hold security clearances which give them access to military installations, valuable assets and sensitive information.

Defence Vetting Agency

Building 107

Imphal Barracks

Fulford Road

York YO10 4AS

Tel: 01904 662616

Fax: 01904 665820

Email: [ce@dva.mod.uk](mailto:ce@dva.mod.uk)

<http://www.mod.uk/dva/index.html>

DG Commercial Organisation

DG Commercial provides advice on a wide range of commercial issues to the Defence Procurement Agency (DPA), the Defence Logistics Organisation (DLO), and to all other Top Level Budget Holders (TLBHs) in the Ministry of Defence.

Defence Commercial

Defence Procurement Agency

Abbey Wood #2219

Abbey Wood

Bristol BS34 8JH

Fax: 0117 91 32920

<http://www.dgcom.mod.uk/>

Directorate for Broadening Smart Procurement (DBSA)

DBSA was formed from the Public Private Partnership Unit (PPPU) in April 2002. It is one of four pillars of the Director General Smart Acquisition.

DBSA

2nd Floor OPA

St Giles Court

St Giles High Street

London WC2H 8LD

Fax: 020 7218 0223

[www.mod.uk/business/pfi/index.htm](http://www.mod.uk/business/pfi/index.htm)

Disposal Services Agency

Supports and advises on the disposal phase of the through life management of equipment within the Department. The Disposal Services Agency uniquely offers a comprehensive portfolio covering everything from advice and consultancy to the provision of a total managed service. Their dedicated contractors not only supply a collect-to-dispose service, but also offer a wide range of refurbished items for sale.

Disposal Services Agency

7th Floor  
Hercules House  
6 Hercules Road  
London SE1 7DJ  
Tel: 020 7261 8826

<http://www.disposalservices.agency.mod.uk/>

Duke of York's Royal Military School

Educates the children of serving and retired military personnel. The school offers what you would expect from a leading independent boarding school, plus much more. Founded in 1803, the Duke of York's Royal Military School provides

a unique education for 11-18-year-old children of those who have served for a minimum of four years on regular engagements in the British Armed Forces.

Duke of York's Royal Military School

Dover

Kent CT15 5EQ

Tel: 01304 245024

Fax: 01304 245019

<http://www.dukeofyorksschool.com/>

Hydrographic Office (UKHO)

Responsible for surveying the seas around the UK and other areas to aid navigation.

The UKHO is a government Trading Fund and part of the Ministry of Defence. Their main activities are the provision of navigational products and services to the Royal Navy and to the merchant marine, to enable ships to comply with UN Safety Of Life At Sea (SOLAS) regulations.

Based in Taunton, Somerset, in the south west of England, the UKHO employs nearly 900 people across a range of specialisms including chart compilation and production, navigational textual editing and publishing, physical oceanography, geodesy, and Law of the Sea.

The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office

Admiralty Way

Taunton TA1 2DN

Tel: 01823 337900

<http://www.hydro.gov.uk/>

International Visits Control Office (IVCO)

Provides security clearance and advice for visitors to and from the UK defence industry.

IVCO is divided into 3 sections; HQ Sy5c1 (Outward Visits), HQ Sy5c2 (Inward Visits) & HQ Sy5c3 (Visits Automation).

The role of IVCO in relation to British industry is to:

- assist British contractors in obtaining security clearances for visits overseas, which will allow them access to the Protectively Marked (classified) information of another country or to enter a "restricted area" within that country.
- establish and maintain records of the staff of British companies to meet requests for security assurances from foreign governments or International Defence Organisations.
- act as a focal point to ascertain the permitted level of access to UK Protectively Marked material (Classified) by overseas visitors to UK industry.
- simplify the procedures for issuing Security Assurances and for transmitting them to the appropriate authorities.

<http://www.mod.uk/ivco/index.html>

#### Medical Supplies Agency (MSA)

The role of the MSA is to ensure that medical, dental and veterinary material blood and blood products, technical and medical logistics support, and trained personnel are provided to the UK Armed Forces worldwide. Currently 280,000 issues per year - from aspirins to entire Containerised Operating Theatres - are made around the clock from an inventory of 10,500 items.

#### Defence Medical Equipment Depot

Drummond Barracks

Andover SP1 9RU

Tel: 01264 798622

#### Meteorological Office

Provides weather forecasting services in the UK and worldwide. They are one of the world's leading providers of environmental and weather-related services.

#### Met Office

London Road

Bracknell

Berkshire RG12 2SZ

Tel: 0845 300 0300

Fax: 0845 300 1300

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/>

#### Ministry of Defence Police

Responsible for providing effective policing of the Defence Estate in common with other police forces, their purpose is to uphold the law fairly and firmly; to prevent crime; to pursue and to bring to justice those who break the law; to protect the community; and to be seen to do all this with integrity, common sense and sound judgement.

They must be compassionate, courteous and patient, acting without fear or favour or prejudice to the rights of others. They need to be professional, calm and restrained in the face of violence and apply only that force which is necessary to accomplish their lawful duty. They must strive to reduce the fears of the public and so far as they can, to reflect their priorities in the action they take.

#### Headquarters

Wethersfield

Braintree

Essex

CM7 4AZ

Tel: 01371 854000

<http://www.mod.uk/mdp/index.html>

#### Naval Bases and Supply Agency

Management Suite

C Block, Ensleigh

Bath BA1 5AB

Tel: 01225 467 707

Fax: 01225 468 307

#### Naval Manning Agency (NMA)

To ensure that sufficient manpower is available on the trained strength and deployed effectively in peace, transition to war or war.

#### Victory Building

HM Naval Base

Portsmouth

Hampshire PO1 3LS

Tel: 023 9272 7422

#### Naval Recruiting and Training Agency (NRTA)

Recruits to the Naval Service, and trains and develops personnel throughout their subsequent careers.

Victory Building  
HM Naval Base  
Portsmouth  
Hampshire  
PO1 3LS  
Tel: 023 9272 7600

Non Project Procurement Organisation (NPPO)

The NPPO has been formed to manage the supply of General Stores to the Ministry of Defence.

DLO Coperacre Site  
Joint Services Corsham  
Park Lane  
Corsham SN19 9WR  
Tel: 01225 813477  
Fax: 01225 813172

Pay & Personnel Agency (PPA)

Provides a pay and personnel information service to the MoD and other customers in the public sector.

PO Box 99  
Bath BA1 1YT  
Tel: 01225 828105  
Fax: 01225 828728  
Queen Victoria School  
Dunblane  
Perthshire FK15 0JY  
Tel: 01786 822 288  
RAF Logistics Support Services  
PO Box 70

Huntingdon  
Cambridgeshire PE17 2PY  
Tel: 01480 446 961  
Fax: 01480 446 747

RAF Personnel Management Agency (RAF PMA)

Enables the RAF to meet its manpower commitments in war, crisis, tension and peace.

HQ Personnel & Training Command

RAF Innsworth  
Gloucester GL3 1EZ  
Tel: 01452 712612

RAF Training Group Defence Agency (TGDA)

Provides flying and ground training to meet the operational requirements of the RAF.

Headquarters  
RAF Innsworth  
Gloucestershire GL3 1EZ  
Tel: 01452 712 612  
Fax: 01452 510 825  
RAF Signals Engineering Establishment  
RAF Henlow  
Bedfordshire SG16 6DN  
Tel: 01462 851 515 ext 6071  
Fax: 01462 851 515 ext 4517

Royal College of Defence Studies (RCDS)

The UK's senior defence academic institution, bringing together students - both military and civilian - from all over the world.

The RCDS is the senior defence academic institution in the United Kingdom. The most prestigious institution of its kind in the world, the College brings together high fliers - both military and civilian, selected by their governments - from every corner of the globe for a year-long international relations and security course. Ready and privileged access to leading international academics, statesmen, government officials and captains of industry ensures intellectual and professional development of the highest quality.  
<http://www.mod.uk/rcds/>

Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS)

The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS) was formed in 1947. It was descended from two older institutions, the Royal Military Academy (RMA) and the Royal Military College (RMC).

Royal Military Academy Sandhurst

Camberley

Surrey GU15 4PQ

Tel: 01276 63344

<http://www.atra.mod.uk/atra/rmas/>

Royal School of Artillery (RSA)

British Army training centre for gunners. The Royal School of Artillery is the British Army Centre of Excellence for artillery training. Located at Larkhill, 10 miles to the north of Salisbury, Wiltshire, RSA is ideally located on the southern edge of Salisbury Plain, the premier live fire training area in the United Kingdom.

The School is an Operating Division of the Army Training and Recruiting Agency (ATRA) and offers artillery technical and career training.

Royal School of Artillery

Larkhill, Salisbury

Wiltshire SP4 8QT

Tel: 01980 845578

<http://www.mod.uk/rcds/index.html>

Service Children's Education (SCE)

Provides education for dependant children residing with MoD personnel serving outside the UK and provides advice and support to service parents on maintained and independent schools provision in the UK.

HQ UKSCE

BFPO 40

Tel: 0049 2161 908 2295

Email: [Tutor@bfgnet.de](mailto:Tutor@bfgnet.de)

Strategic and Combat Studies Institute (SCSI)

SCSI is an MoD-sponsored but independent organisation that brings together on a regular basis those interested in defence studies and related fields. Members of the Institute meet at a series of academic seminars held each year and receive SCSI papers on publication.

Its objectives are to:

- act as a forum and catalyst for discussion and debate
- sponsor and manage official non-technical research on strategic, operational and combat-related issues affecting present and possible future concerns of the Armed Services
- help and encourage officers in the preparation and publication of their work
- establish a research and information retrieval database between a number of relevant national and international organisations.

The Institute holds regular seminars and academic dinners, providing the opportunity for discussion of defence issues with leading writers and practitioners. The Institute also publishes papers as part of the Occasional series of Papers.

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Upavon  
Wiltshire SN9 6BE  
Tel: 01980 615046  
Fax: 01980 615304  
Email: [def.studies.dgd&d@gtnet.gov.uk](mailto:def.studies.dgd&d@gtnet.gov.uk)  
<http://www.scsi.ac.uk/>

#### UK National Codification Bureau (UK NCB)

The UK NCB is the MoD's National Codification Bureau (NCB) and is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the NATO Codification System (NCS) within the UK. The UK NCB is situated in the centre of Glasgow.

#### CTS/UK NCB

Customer Focus Team  
Kentigern House, Room 2423  
65 Brown Street  
Glasgow G2 8EX  
Fax: 0141 224 2083  
<http://www.ncb.mod.uk/index.html>  
Veterans Agency

Formerly the War Pensions Agency. Responsible for veterans' affairs, including war and service pensions, service records, military graves, medals and welfare issues.

An Executive Agency of the Ministry of Defence, the Veterans Agency's mission is to deliver modern, high-quality, customer-focused services to war disablement pensioners, war widows, their dependants and carers and other veterans;  
and to deliver them consistently, efficiently and effectively in recognition of the many extraordinary and unique personal sacrifices made in defence of the nation.

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Government Buildings  
Norcross  
Blackpool  
FY5 3WP  
Tel: 01253 866043  
Email: [Warpensions@gtnet.gov.uk](mailto:Warpensions@gtnet.gov.uk)  
<http://www.veteransagency.mod.uk/>  
Warship Support Agency (WSA)

WSA provides logistic support to the Fleet and to other in-service maritime elements of the armed services.

The Warship Support Agency was formed on 2 April 2001 by the merger of the majority of the Naval Bases and Supply Agency (NBSA) and the Ships Support Agency (SSA), both of which were part of the former Naval Support Command, and, since 1 April 2000, the Defence Logistics Organisation (DLO).

The Agency was created following a detailed study into the costs associated with maintaining and upgrading the Fleets of the Royal Navy and Royal Fleet Auxiliary. The merger removes the rather artificial organisational divide that existed between the SSA's 'decider' and the NBSA's 'provider' functions for delivering maritime material support.

A new Agency to provide the best possible means of delivering improvements in materiel support to the United Kingdom's maritime-based Armed Forces and help to ensure that the Royal Navy and Royal Fleet Auxiliary have the most capable ships, submarines and naval base services they need, in both times of crisis and peace.

The Warship Support Agency  
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Bath BA1 5AB  
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<http://www.mod.uk/wsa/index.html>

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