

SINGLE SOLDIERS



**YOUR BFG GUIDE
TO REBASING IN
2018/19**



FOREWORD

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I have undertaken 12 moves with my family in the last 20 years (five of which were to/from Germany), so I really do appreciate that moving can be incredibly stressful and complex. This is particularly so when moving from one country to another, something that you will be undertaking shortly.

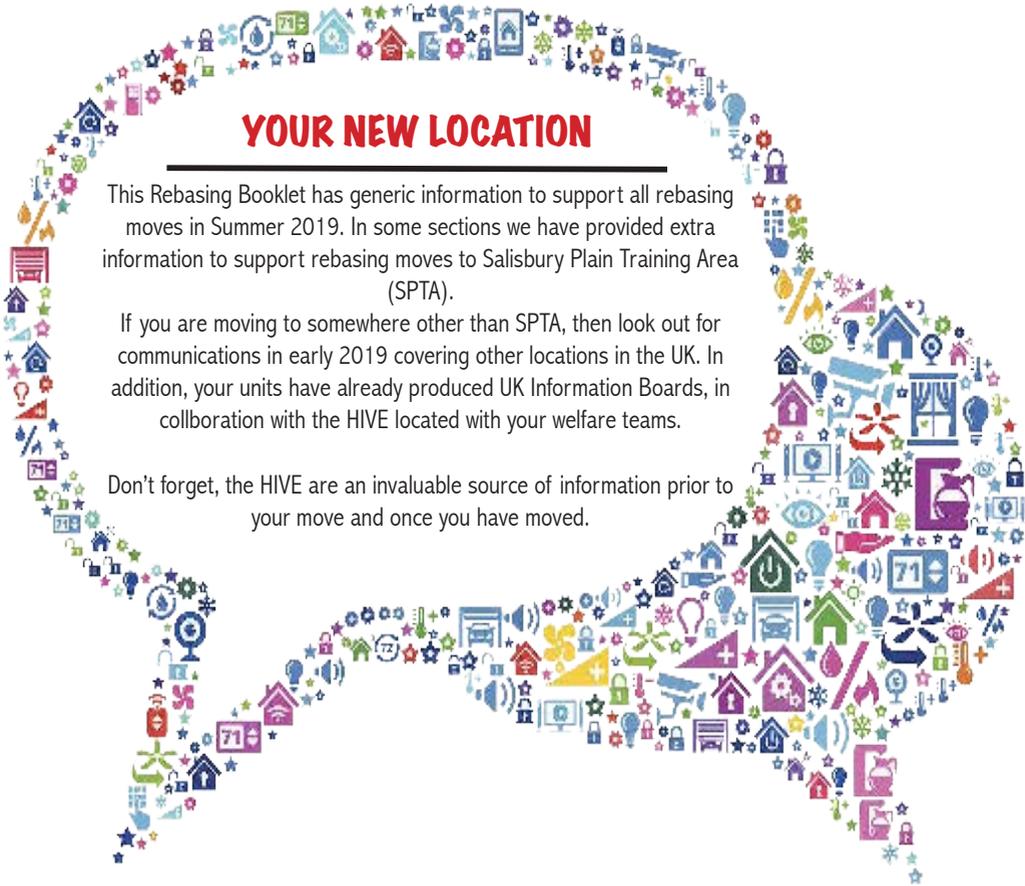
This booklet has been developed to assist you go through this process as painlessly as possible. It has been prepared by HQ BFG staff and several other experienced organisations to help you understand what to expect and how to prepare yourselves. Please read the detail and undertake the preparations it recommends – this will avoid last minute challenges over administrative details such as closing bank accounts and de/re-registering your car.

If you have not already done so, I would strongly encourage you to follow the BFGnet Facebook page as there will be regular updates and prompts which support the information in this guide. Additionally, the BFGnet website is a valuable source of information which can assist you with your departure arrangements. The HIVE also has a wealth of information that can support you both in your departure from Germany and arrival in the UK.

Please also remember that you are not alone and your unit and numerous organisations will assist you with advice and practical support. In the first instance please use your chain of command and Unit Welfare Officer, who will be able to tell you the answers to your questions; if not, they will know who will.

GOOD LUCK AND WE AT HQ BFG WILL DO ALL WE CAN TO ASSIST YOU.





YOUR NEW LOCATION

This Rebasing Booklet has generic information to support all rebasing moves in Summer 2019. In some sections we have provided extra information to support rebasing moves to Salisbury Plain Training Area (SPTA).

If you are moving to somewhere other than SPTA, then look out for communications in early 2019 covering other locations in the UK. In addition, your units have already produced UK Information Boards, in collaboration with the HIVE located with your welfare teams.

Don't forget, the HIVE are an invaluable source of information prior to your move and once you have moved.



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The colours used represent each section of the book including the checklist.



HOUSING: SINGLE SOLDIERS LIVING ACCOMMODATION

Remember to always follow packing guidance and timeframes given by your units and ensure items listed as restricted are not packed.



Single Living Accommodation (SLA)

The majority of single soldiers have access to great accommodation. SLAM (Single Living Accommodation Modernisation) is widespread throughout Tidworth Garrison. Many of the rooms are for single occupancy with en-suite facilities.

Removal allowances

The Personal Effects (PE) scale for personnel moving under the Self-Pack Service (single or married unaccompanied) is 6m³ (1078 Kg) to, from and within the UK and North West Europe. This equates to 18 standard size MFO boxes.

For full details of your unit's direction on moving unaccompanied baggage, please contact your Unit RQMS or CQMS.

MOVING TO YOUR OWN HOME?

If you currently have the property rented you will need to give your tenants notice. Check the terms and conditions of the contract and allow plenty of time. If you find yourself without accommodation, you may be able to take advantage of the temporary housing available at the Services Cotswold Centre. For more information please visit: www.gov.uk/government/publications/services-cotswold-centre

If you are thinking about renting or buying in the UK, Money Force, Joint Support Housing Advice Office (JSHAO) and GOV.UK can provide advice.

Useful links:

www.moneyforce.org.uk

www.gov.uk/government/collections/joint-service-housing-advice-office-jshao

www.gov.uk/guidance/forces-help-to-buy



Section 2

TRANSFER OF RESIDENCE

SETTLING IN GERMANY?

If you are currently a member of the British Forces Germany as military, you might be intending to stay in Germany. This is formally known as a Transfer of Residence. Tax and welfare matters vary depending on the Stadt in which you wish to settle. You will need to contact them directly to determine how these will be applied to your individual circumstances.

You should note that there are processes that you must follow in order to keep any tax and duty relief that you received when buying high value goods or vehicles.



CHECK IT OUT!
YOUR JULY BFG REBASING
AND DRAWDOWN BULLETIN
FOCUSED ON TRANSITIONING
TO LIFE IN GERMANY.
[BFGNET.DE/LEAVING-BFG/
REBASING-BULLETIN/](http://BFGNET.DE/LEAVING-BFG/REBASING-BULLETIN/)

CAREER TRANSITION PARTNERSHIP

The CTP are the official provider of Armed Forces resettlement. In Germany, the CTP is equipped to assist service leavers transition to life in Germany and work on the German economy. The advisors have successfully supported around 100 service personnel annually. From networking opportunities, employer events and German CV courses, the Resettlement Centre in Sennelager will be an invaluable resource to you.

Contact the Resettlement Centre on email: rcgermany@ctp.org.uk or call 0049(0)5254 9825448 or check out their Transition Guides - www.ctp.org.uk/resettlement-guides/living+%26+working+in+germany-421603

The Resettlement Centre in Sennelager will close in March 2019, after which advice will be available from the overseas Resettlement Centre based in the UK.



HEALTHCARE

When moving back to the UK it is important that you understand how to access healthcare.



HEALTHCARE PROVISION

For Serving Personnel, you will see little difference; your routine healthcare will continue to be delivered through your local Defence Primary Healthcare (military) medical centre.

NHS CHOICES

This will provide you with an overview of the services provided by the NHS and how to access them within England. Further information on Mental Health, Emergency Care, Pharmacy, GP, Dental and more, can be found on the NHS Choices webpage www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/AboutNHSservices/Pages/NHSServices.aspx

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DENTAL

For military patients, the dental centres will continue to provide both routine and emergency dental care until the closure dates. Upon return to the UK, military patients will continue to be seen and treated by the Defence Primary Healthcare (Dental).

EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD (EHIC)

The BFG Health Service covers serving personnel and families whilst in Germany, but for travel to your new posting, you should take your EHIC with you. EHIC is free of charge and valid for up to five years. It can be renewed up to six months before expiry. Check your EHIC is still valid before you travel. Official website: www.nhs.uk/ehic

You are reminded that if you do not have an EHIC, you will be charged for medical care outside of Germany.

Please note that a 'No-Deal' BREXIT may affect your future entitlement to medical treatment when traveling in the EU.

TOP TIP!

You should not be charged for your EHIC Card. Avoid unofficial websites that charge to issue EHIC cards.



HEALTHCARE: TIDWORTH

Service Personnel: The medical and dental centres are at the Queen Elizabeth Memorial Health Centre (QEMHC), St Michael's Road.

Medical Centre Tel: 01980 650640 or Mil: 94342 2640

Dental Centre Tel: 01980 650499 or Mil: 94342 2499

Dependants: Medical care is also provided by QEMHC as well as NHS GP Practices. Details of all GP Practices and dentists in the area can be found at www.nhs.uk/Service-Search

HEALTHCARE: BULFORD

Service Personnel: The medical and dental centres are at the Bulford Group Practice, Bengal Road.

Medical Centre Tel: 01980 672204 Mil: 94321 2204

Dental Centre Tel: 01980 672231 Mil: 94321 2231

Dependants: Medical care is provided by the Bulford Group Practice as well as NHS GP Practices. Details of all GP Practices and dentists in the area can be found at www.nhs.uk/Service-Search

HEALTHCARE: LARKHILL

Service Personnel: The medical and dental centres are located at the crossroads of The Packway and Willoughby Road.

Medical Centre Tel: 01980 845266 or Mil 94322 5266

Dental Centre Tel: 01980 845597 or Mil 94322 5597

Some local area practices are listed below and the following helplines can provide further information:

- Hampshire – www.hampshiredentalhelpline.nhs.uk 08450 508345
- Wiltshire – www.dentalguide.co.uk/dentist/wiltshire.html 08457 581926

THE BRITISH DENTAL HEALTH FOUNDATION INDEPENDENT ADVICE SERVICE 08450 631188

NHS DIRECT 24 HOUR HEALTH HELPLINE:

www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/nhs-services/urgent-and-emergency-care/
or call 111

HOSPITALS IN THE SALISBURY PLAIN AREA

- A&E - Salisbury Hospital, Odstock Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP2 8BJ, 01722 336262
- A&E - The Great Western Hospital, Marlborough Rd, Swindon SN3 6BB 01793 604020
- Minor Injuries Unit - Andover Memorial Hospital, Charlton Road, Andover, SP10 3LB, 01264 358811

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

If you have any other questions, the links and contacts below will provide you with additional information.

ARMY FAMILIES FEDERATION (AFF)

Health and Additional Needs Specialist

Telephone: 07552 861 983

Email: additionalneeds@aff.org.uk
www.aff.org.uk

THE SOLDIERS CHARITY

www.soldierscharity.org

NHS CHOICES SERVICE SEARCH

www.nhs.uk/Service-Search/GP/LocationSearch/4

NHS CHOICES ARMED FORCES HEALTHCARE

www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/Militaryhealthcare/Pages/Militaryhealthcare.aspx

NHS ENGLAND

www.england.nhs.uk

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

www.britishlegion.org.uk

SSAFA

www.ssafa.org.uk

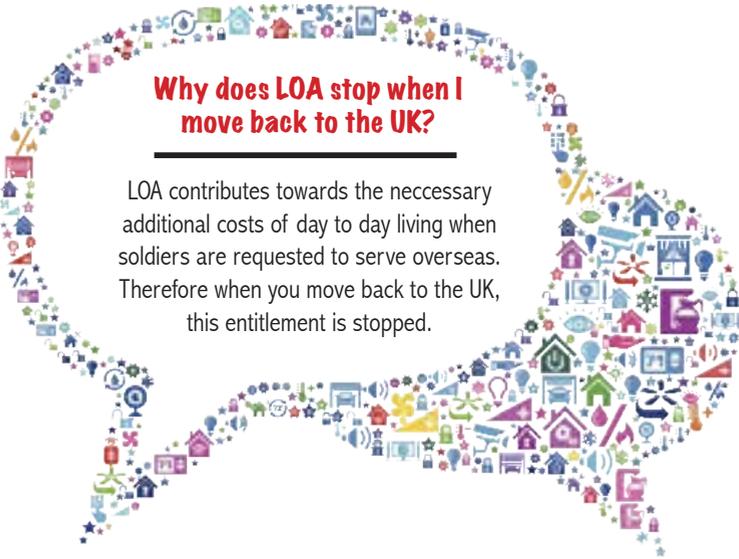
HELP FOR HEROES

www.helpforheroes.org.uk

FINANCES: PUTTING YOUR FINANCES IN ORDER

There are some significant differences in the cost of living between BFG and the UK. If you have been living in BFG for some time and are used to receiving **Local Overseas Allowance (LOA)**, the fact that you are not eligible to receive it in the UK may mean you need to sit down and review your monthly budget.

If you are a driver you may notice that you will be spending more on fuel, as you will no longer be receiving the subsidised fuel rates that you have enjoyed in Germany. Being aware of the differences and taking them into account as you budget for life in the UK can help make the transition smoother for you.



Why does LOA stop when I move back to the UK?

LOA contributes towards the necessary additional costs of day to day living when soldiers are requested to serve overseas. Therefore when you move back to the UK, this entitlement is stopped.

IMPORTANT

You must have repaid debt or have processes in place to repay debt upon leaving Germany. **Debt will follow you** - failure to repay debt or ensure debt continues to be repaid may result in you being pursued by debt organisations through the courts in the UK. In addition, any unpaid debt left in Germany is likely to lead to arrest on re-entry to Germany.

For advice on debt visit: www.moneyadvice.service.org.uk or www.moneyforce.org.uk



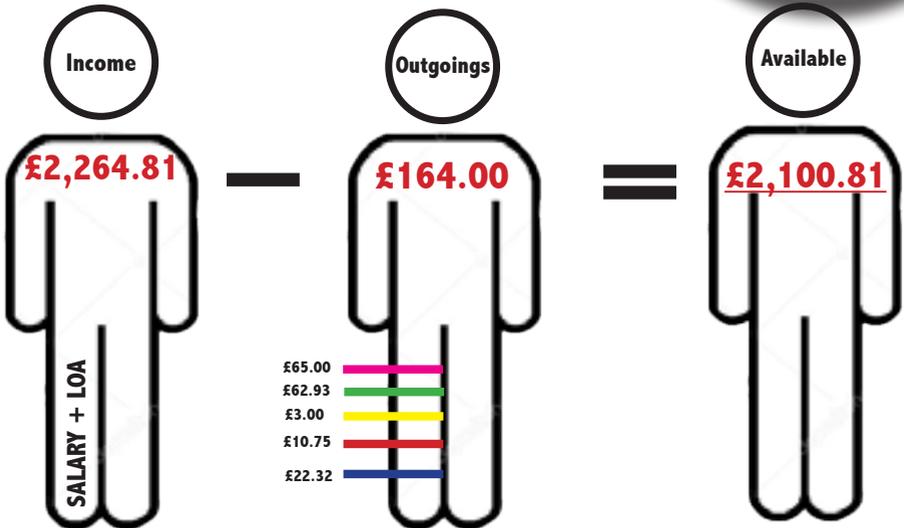
SINGLE SOLDIER: GERMANY VS UK

**DIFFERENCE OF
£594.40 PER
MONTH**

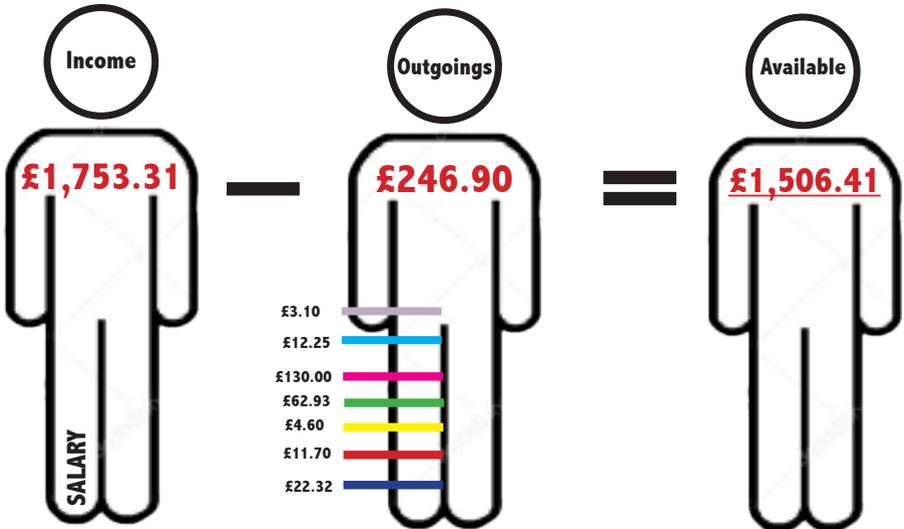
This is based on a Private/Lance Corporal.



Germany



UK



- KEY**
- CILOCT
 - Fuel
 - Housing
 - Road Tax
 - TV License
 - MOT
 - Utilities

DISCLAIMER

The calculations provided are for guidance purposes only and not intended to provide you with financial advice. Although every effort has been made to ensure that the information provided is as accurate as possible, no representative or warranty, expressed or implied, is given to its accuracy and the MOD does not accept any liability for error or omission. Figures used are reflective of 2017/18 Armed Forces Pay Rates.

FINANCES: CANCELLATIONS

Many contracts in Germany operate differently to those in the UK, often running on a two-year cycle, and require cancellation in writing prior to the end of the cycle. If you cancel a contract during the two year period, you may be liable to pay for the remainder of the contract, depending on the provider, so don't be surprised if this happens. Some companies may let you out of a contract early with no penalty if you provide a copy of your AO/Certificate in lieu at the point of cancellation. Try to give as much notice of your departure as possible. Information and examples of cancellation letters in English and German are available from your UWO, the HIVE and BFGnet.



CAR INSURANCE

Check that your car insurance is valid for residency in the UK and arrange cover with a UK company. There is a legal requirement to register your car with DVLA and you will not be able to de-register your vehicles in BFG without it. If changing companies, remember to get your 'Certificate of No Claims' from your existing provider before you leave.



BREAKDOWN COVER

Make sure you review your breakdown cover. If you choose to cancel your policy on move to the UK, please make sure you find an alternative provider. However, if you choose to stay with your current cover, remember to update your address.

TOP TIP!

You should ensure all cancellations are done in writing and request a written confirmation of final termination.





GERMAN BANK ACCOUNTS

Prior to cancelling your German bank don't forget to finalise any bills – while your German account is still active, you need to take into account any outstanding or final payments that may be due.

The bank should be notified at least 4 weeks prior to the closure of your account. The application for closing bank accounts has to be signed personally. Be prepared to leave a forwarding address with the bank. You should ensure that sufficient money is left in the account to cover any remaining payments before closure.



PHONE AND INTERNET CONTRACTS

You must ensure that you cancel your Phone and Internet contracts prior to leaving Germany, this includes WiFi contracts in SLA. A few tips to remember when you cancel your contracts:

TIP 1 – Cancellation. This applies to contracts with companies that do not allow early termination of the contract without paying for the unused months. When it comes to cancelling your contract on assignment outside of Germany and your end-of-tour date is after the end-of-contract date, give notice in time for the end-of-contract date and ask if you can extend the contract for those weeks or months. If they agree, you have saved the cost of any unused contract period.

TIP 2 - Get ready for cancellation. Check your end-of-contract date NOW, write it on your contract together with the last date for termination without paying for any unused months, so it is to hand when you get your assignment order. Alternatively check online or by telephone to get those details. If the company writes back after your cancellation demanding half the payment for the remaining months, **DO NOT IGNORE IT. If you do, they may sell your debt to a debt collector in Germany or in UK, and when they find you, you will possibly have to pay much more than the original debt amount.** Cancellation forms can be found on BFGnet: www.bfgnet.de/telephone-contracts

Disclaimer:

Please note that this information is based on that given by the companies to the Service Liaison Office. The Service Liaison Office can not guarantee the validity of this information.



Section 4

FINANCE: SET UP

As well as having to cancel contracts in Germany, you will wish to set up contracts for some of the services that you will require for your life in the UK.



TV LICENCE

It costs £150.50 for colour and £50.50 for a black and white TV Licence. Armed Forces Personnel **are not exempt** from requiring a TV Licence. In Ministry of Defence (MOD) accommodation on or off base, you need to be covered by a valid TV Licence. The MOD fully supports authorities in administering TV Licensing legislation. For more information on how to apply for a licence visit www.tvlicensing.co.uk



CAR INSURANCE

If your vehicle insurance company does not cover you once you are resident in the UK, you need to ensure that, a new car insurance policy is set up. With more companies to choose from, you may find that your insurance is more competitively priced than it was in Germany. Again, money comparison sites will assist you to find the most competitive deals.





CAR TAX

Your car will be taxed as part of the de-registration process. You should note that you no longer need a paper tax disc displayed in your vehicle. All vehicle tax is completed online in the UK.

You have to pay an extra £310 a year if you have a car or motorhome with a 'list price' (the published price before any discounts) of more than £40,000.

You only have to pay this rate for 5 years (from the second time the vehicle is taxed).

www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax-rate-tables



TELECOMMUNICATIONS

When you arrive in the UK, you may wish to set up a contract for a monthly mobile bill, subscription or new insurance policy. Contacting a variety of providers to obtain the best price and most suitable package for your needs is recommended: many offer special deals for new customers. Please be aware that, depending on the provider, you may find it difficult to set up an initial monthly phone contract if you have never (or not recently) had a UK address. You may have to set up a 'pay as you go' tariff initially until you have built up a credit score to be eligible for 'pay monthly' packages.

CUSTOMS, IMMIGRATION AND VLO

In this section, you will find information on the process for de-BFGing your vehicle(s) and the customs and immigration regulations.

EXPORTING YOUR VEHICLE BACK TO THE UK

For the de-registration process from BFG you must allow a minimum of 28 days for completion. The timeline on the opposite page demonstrates the de-registration and registration process that all vehicles registered in BFG must go through.

LEFT HAND DRIVE (LHD) VEHICLE

If you own a LHD vehicle, please contact your Local Vehicle Licencing Office (LVLO) before starting any of the registration process. The LVLO Clerk will check all your documents and forward to DVLA for processing. Please ensure you have given either a contact telephone number and/or email.



TRANSFERRING OF VEHICLES OUT OF BFG BUT NOT BACK TO THE UK

If you are selling your car in Germany prior to leaving BFG or you are taking it to another European country, you will need to apply for a BFG Form 38 (for selling) or Form 38U (for transferring residence). BFG Forms 38/38U should be submitted to BFG C&I in your LVLO. You will be informed when the BFG Form 38/38U has been received back from German Customs. It can take up to 28 days, so please submit your application well in advance.

You must NOT hand over your vehicle to the new owner or export it from Germany until you have the authority to do so - the completed BFG Form 38 from them.

NEED HELP?

If you are unsure of any aspect about taking your vehicle out of BFG, please ask your LVLO or the HQ BFG Vehicle Licensing Office Helpline is available during operating hours on Civ: 05219 254 2637 or Mil: 81 2637

BE AWARE!

BREXIT may pose a risk when buying a tax-free vehicle. Please ensure you have read the UK Governments Technical Notices to ascertain what changes could occur.



VEHICLE DE-REGISTRATION AND REGISTRATION TIMELINE

Write your specific dates in the timeline below!

Proposed Registration Date



Start here: Please write in the date you wish to DVLA register your car in the UK.

Please note that :

- BFG vehicle facilities will cease on this day.
- If your vehicles is over 3 years old, you will only have 14 days from this date to obtain a valid UK MOT Certificate.
- Despite any eventual changes in your circumstances, once your application has been submitted, the process can not be cancelled.

28 days before



28 days prior to registration you will need to apply for a BFG Form NOVA

To avoid a possible rejection of your application please ensure that:

- If your car is an NMT (tax free and has less than a year's BFG registration) a copy of your assignment order is attached to your application.
 - All boxes on the application form are completed.
- Application forms are available on BFGnet or at your local LVLO.

14 days before



14 days prior to registration you will need to apply to the VLO via your local BFG office or LVLO for your UK Registration.

Please note that in accordance with DVLA policy the VLO cannot commence the registration process sooner than 14 days before the declared registration date and no later than 3 working days before registration is required.

If your car has been previously registered in the UK or registered with BFG using a UK allocation certificate, you will need to submit a V55/5. You will need to have the following available:

- BFG Form 73
- ID (driving license, Service ID card or Passport)
- Your current contact details and proof of a UK address
- Valid UK insurance - certificate of insurance or cover note
- Your BFG NOVA
- For vehicles registered in BFG with an Allocation Certificate a Certificate of Conformity.
- For vehicles over 3 years old , a test certificate (BFG Form 65 valid for 14 days or more on the date requested for UK registration
- You will need to indicate if replacement UK plates are required

If your car has not been previously registered in the UK or registered with BFG using a UK allocation certificate please contact your LVLO or BFG VLO Helpline on: Mil: 948 81 2637 or Civil: 0521 9254 2637

Registration day



Registration day you will have received notification of your registration/de-registration appointment at your VLO/LVLO office.

Please note that :

- Applicable costs will be collected e.g. costs for VED and/or 1st registration payment.
- At this appointment a physical check of the vehicle's chassis number will be carried out.
- You will receive your UK registration documents and a UK MOT 14 day waiver.
- Your vehicle will be de-registered from BFG your BFG Form 73 and ARAL fuel card will be withdrawn.

14 days after



14 days after registration is your vehicle requires an MOT you should have departed BFG and had an inspection carried out in the UK.



CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION



TAX FREE SHOPPING

DUTY PAID ITEMS (I.E TAX PAID)

All goods that have been purchased tax free must have been in your possession and used in Germany for a minimum of six months before you can export them free of VAT liability. If you have imported tax free goods from outside of Germany over €1000, you must obtain a BFG Form 38 if you intend to sell them and a BFG Form 38U if you intend to take them with your new station outside Germany. If you have bought tax free goods in Germany using an Abwicklungsschein, then the threshold for requesting a BFG Form 38/38U is €2500. Do not forget that you must hand in all of your tax free forms before leaving Germany.

The Indicative Levels (ILs) are the official guidelines from HMRC of the quantity of tobacco and alcohol products that, having been purchased from a Duty Paid (i.e. tax paid) outlet within the EU (such as a German shop, supermarket, etc.), may be imported into any other EU Member State for personal consumption. Quantities above these levels may be permitted but you must be able to prove that the goods are for your own personal use. Current ILs are:

TOBACCO PRODUCTS		ALCOHOL PRODUCTS	
Cigarettes	800	Spirits (over 22 % Vol)	10 litres
Cigarillos	400	Intermediate products*	20 litres
Cigars	200	Wine**	90 litres
Tobacco	1kg	Beer	110 litres

* port, sherry, etc. under 22% volume

** of which not more than 60 litres may be sparkling wine



**DUTY FREE
ITEMS
(I.E TAX FREE)**

Alcohol and tobacco bought from NAAFI, PX, and Messes are Duty Free (i.e. tax free). The German Authorities permit us to export a quantity of Duty Free items on assignment; however, the permitted export allowances are not to be taken as confirmation that such quantities may be imported Duty Free (tax free) into and/or through other countries. In many cases (notably in the case of imports of wines, spirits and cigarettes) the Duty Free import allowances are much less. You should also be aware that France and the BENELUX countries (Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg) can treat transit as import and may demand duty from you on your journey back to UK. If you are unsure of the restrictions do seek advice from your local C&I Officer before purchasing duty free items for transport to the UK.

ITEM	QUANTITY
Cigarettes	600
Other Tobacco	500
Spirits	10 Litres
Wine	90 Litres
Coffee	500g
Pure Coffee Extract	125g
Mixed Coffee Extract	125g

**PRIVATELY OWNED
FIREARMS**

You must obtain a BFG Form 38U for your privately owned firearm, whether it is tax free or if it is tax paid and follow the instructions from German Customs. If you fail to follow the instructions and export the firearm correctly, you may be liable for German tax even if it was originally tax paid. www.gov.uk/guidance/firearms-and-export-control-forms#individuals-exporting-firearms

**PASSPORTS
AND VISAS**

You must ensure that your passport and visas are in date. If they are due replacement then you will need to apply for a new/replacement passport/visa immediately. You can expect passport renewals to take up to four weeks. For advice on the UK passport and visa application process, please contact your Unit Regimental Admin Office (RAO) or Unit Welfare Office (UWO).

Once in the UK maintenance of your passports and visas become your personal financial responsibility.



THE MOVE

This section looks at different elements of your move back to the UK. This includes transport, prohibited items restricted for travel and much more. Start planning now!



DISTURBANCE EXPENSES

You will need to apply, on JPA, for Disturbance Expenses (further advice can be sought through Unit HR Staff).

ITEMS RESTRICTED FOR TRANSPORTATION

You must also be aware of items classed as either Dangerous Goods or Prohibited Items when planning your trip and ensure that these are not packed for travel. You can get more information from commercial operator websites or Unit Admin staff. <https://bfgnet.de/need-to-know/prohibited-from-carriage-items.html>



TRANSPORT TO YOUR NEW DUTY STATION

If you choose to travel from Germany to the UK by private transport, you are entitled to a commercial sea crossing paid for at public expense.

Those sea crossings must be booked through UWO no later than six weeks prior to the planned physical movement date.

If you are single/married unaccompanied, then you are entitled to movement of one vehicle at public expense. Towed vehicles or platforms including trailers, boats and caravans may not be moved at public expense. If you wish to transport these items with prime movers, you should ensure that your UAO has booked them as part of your initial booking. Once you have been provided with your booking reference you should then contact the commercial ferry operator and make a private payment for the movement of your towed vehicle.

REGISTER TO VOTE

In order to vote in the UK elections and referendums you need to apply to have your name included on the electoral register. Getting on the Electoral Register also helps if you need a mortgage or credit card; lenders often use the Register when considering applications. For more information visit: www.gov.uk/geton-electoral-register

NEED MORE INFO?

You should first approach your Unit Admin/Welfare staff, but also make sure you explore the commercial operators website.



MOVEMENT OF PRIVATELY OWNED FIREARMS OR ITEMS CLASSED AS A WEAPON SYSTEM OR BLADED ARTICLES

If you privately own sporting weapons, authorised weapon systems or bladed articles and plan to transport them by surface or air you must ensure that you have the relevant documentation that provides authority for travel and that all required security precautions are in place prior to travel. This is your responsibility and you can get advice from commercial operators.

SPECIAL AIRCRAFT

HQ BFG planning staff will request a dedicated special aircraft for the movement of large numbers of single/married unaccompanied personnel from Germany to their rebasing location. They will try to meet unit requests for arrival into regional air fields. Units must nominate personnel to use this special service. There will be a maximum baggage allowance of 20kg per passenger. All other baggage destined for the UK must be packed within the planned removals.

REDIRECTING POST

You must ensure that you change your address with any catalogue, magazine subscription, etc and let your Unit Post Room know of your move and new address so that post can be redirected to you.



LOCATION: SALISBURY PLAIN

This section will give you an insight of what to expect if you are moving to the Salisbury Plain area. The HIVE will be able to provide you with a wealth of invaluable information on the local area. We have picked out some of the key information that will be useful prior to your move.

Welcome to Salisbury Plain

Salisbury Plain HIVE, Tidworth Leisure Centre,
Nadder Rd, Tidworth, SP9 7QN

Tel: 01980 650 224 Email: salisburyplainhive@armymail.mod.uk

Salisbury Plain HIVE publishes a blog providing local and military community information for the Salisbury Plain areas.

You can access the blog at

www.salisburyplainhive.blogspot.co.uk



LOCAL AREA

Tidworth - situated on Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire and forms part of the Salisbury Plain Super Garrison. Perham Down is situated a mile outside of Tidworth. Both are rural locations but easily accessed from the A303, the main arterial route from London.

Bulford Camp - located next to Bulford village and Durrington, both villages have limited shopping facilities. The small town of Amesbury is situated just 3 miles from Bulford Camp and has a high street as well as supermarkets on the outskirts.

Larkhill Camp - is also situated on Salisbury Plain and forms part of the Salisbury Plain Super Garrison. Larkhill Camp is located near to Durrington and Amesbury.

Close by are the cathedral city of Salisbury, Basingstoke, Andover, Southampton and Swindon. Close by are the World Heritage sites of Stonehenge and Woodhenge. Other destinations nearby include the New Forest, Beaulieu Motor Museum, Longleat Safari Park and various National Trust Properties.



WHAT WILL I FIND IN EACH LOCATION?

The table below gives you a quick overview of the facilities you will find in each location.

Unit	Guardroom Telephone Number
Tidworth VCP2	Civ: 01980 650577 or Mil: 94342 2577
Perham Down	Civ: 01980 651511 or Mil: 94342 3511
Bulford Camp (Kiwi/Picton)	Civ: 01980 672922 or Mil: 94321 2922
Bulford Camp (Ward/Wing)	Civ: 01980 672794 or Mil: 94321 2794
Larkhill - VCP entrance to all barracks including Royal School of Artillery, Roberts Barracks and Home Barracks	Civ: 01980 845310 or Mil: 94322 5310

GARRISON FACILITIES

Tidworth	Bulford	Larkhill
3 Super Diners	2 Super Diners - Picton Barracks and Ward Barracks	2 Super Diners - Roberts Barracks and Stirling Barracks
3 local shops	3 local shops	1 local shop
Swimming Pool in Tidworth Leisure Centre	Swimming Pool	Swimming pool at Bulford Camp. There is also a swimming pool in Durrington Sports and Fitness Centre
Super Gym and a Gymnasium in Aliwal Barracks	Super Gym and a Gymnasium in Picton Barracks	Garrison Gymnasium
10 Army Education Centre in Tidworth	10 Army Education Centre in Tidworth	10 Army Education Centre in Tidworth
Petrol Station close by	Petrol Station in Bulford Village	Petrol Station in Durrington Village
Tesco and Lidl within walking distance. Various other shopping facilities including cafes, takeaways and hairdressers/barbers	Tesco, Lidl and Aldi in nearby Amesbury. Small selection of shops and takeaways in the Precinct next to Ward Barracks	Tesco, Lidl and Aldi in nearby Amesbury. Various other shopping facilities including cafes, takeaways and hairdressers/barbers
Local Post Office	Post Office in Amesbury	Post Office within walking distance on the Packway
HIVE within Tidworth Leisure Centre	HIVE within Tidworth Leisure Centre	HIVE within Tidworth Leisure Centre
Knight's Tailoring Service	Knight's Tailoring Service	Knight's Tailoring Service

Drumbeat Magazine: Tidworth, Netheravon and Bulford Garrison Newsletter

www.drumbeat.org.uk/6901.html

Army Welfare Service: 01904 882053

Royal Military Police: 01980 672251

Intake and Assessment Team (IAT): Mil 94777 3053



REBASING CHECKLIST

	3-6 MONTHS OUT		
	EVENT	COMPLETE	FIND OUT MORE
Healthcare (Section 5)	Ensure you have an in-date EHIC Card		www.ehic.org.uk/Internet/startApplication.do
Finance (Section 6)	Cancel Mobile Phone Contract		bfgnet.de/telephone-contracts.html
	Cancel Cable/Satellite TV Contracts		
C&I (Section 7)	Ensure that your passport and visa (applicable) is in date		bfgnet.de/c-and-i/passports-visas.html
	Visit VLO to check timeframe for deregistering vehicles		bfgnet.de/vlo/returning-a-vehicle-to-the-uk.html

	3 MONTHS OUT		
	EVENT	COMPLETE	FIND OUT MORE
Finance (Section 6)	Arrange to disconnect telephone/internet		
	Cancel all German insurance/service contracts		
	Cancel Kindergeld		bfgnet.de/kindergeld.html
	Amend or cancel all bank standing orders and direct debits		Update pay details on JPA
C&I (Section 7)	Complete private firearms Registration procedures		www.gov.uk/guidance/firearms-and-export-control-forms#individuals-exporting-firearms
The Move (Section 9)	Confirm method and book travel to new duty station		



	2 MONTHS OUT		
	EVENT	COMPLETE	FIND OUT MORE
Finance (Section 6)	Initiate UK insurance/service contracts		
The Move (Section 9)	Clearance certificate issued		
	Confirm hotel booking arrangements		Pop all details in the back of this book and keep it to hand
	Confirm travel arrangement bookings		
	Apply for disturbance expenses		This has to be completed on JPA

	FINAL MONTH		
	EVENT	COMPLETE	FIND OUT MORE
Finance (Section 6)	Make arrangements for closure of your German Bank Accounts		
	Take out additional transit insurance for movement of household content		
C&I (Section 7)	De-register vehicle with BFG VLO		28 days out! bfgnet.de/vlo/returning-a-vehicle-to-the-uk.html
	Hand in MWST Forms		
The Move (Section 9)	Redirect your mail		www.deutschepost.de/en/home.html
	Apply for advance of allowances		
	Input relocation leave on to JPA (military)		
	Hand in library books		
	Pay Mess Bills		



1-2 DAYS OUT			
	EVENT	COMPLETE	FIND OUT MORE
Finance (Section 6)	Pay final phone bill		
The Move (Section 9)	Collect travel documents		
	Hand in car pass - collect temporary pass		
	Hand in BFG ID Cards, Ration Cards, Installation Passes (PX Passes)		
	Submit completed clearance certificate		
	Hand over your BFBS Set Top Box		

ARRIVING IN YOUR NEW HOME			
	EVENT	COMPLETE	FIND OUT MORE
Finance (Section 6)			Make sure you are getting the best deals www.moneysupermarket.com/gas-and-electricity www.comparethemarket.com/energy
	Make sure you tax your car for the UK roads		www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax-rate-tables
VLO (Section 7)	Set up your internet and phone contracts		
	MOT your car if over 3 years		
The Move (Section 9)	Register to vote		





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**YOUR REBASING MOVE:
KEY INFORMATION**

Travel to UK (date/time)		Move In (date/time)	
Flight / Ferry / Tunnel (operator/ reference)		Address of Barracks	

This rehousing booklet provides general information for single soldiers to support the 2018/19 moves. A families, Cyprus and UKBC booklet are also available.

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