

National Service Reminiscence Box

Implemented in 1949, the National Service Act required men aged 18 – 26 to serve in the Armed Forces for 18 months. The roles were varied, with posts in the UK and in British garrisons around the world. Objects may be taken out of their bags but please replace them for return. If any stories or memories emerge when using the box, please do share them with us.

In this box you will find:

- White enamel mug and plate
- Royal Artillery cap badge
- Green belt
- Canvas webbing belt
- Green canvas gaiter
- Soldiers 'Housewife' sewing pouch with buttons and thread
- Soldiers wash roll with toothbrush, button polisher and shoe brush
- Corporal stripes
- Green tie
- Dark blue beret
- White canvas kit bag
- Bagcraft canvas pack
- National Service Booklet