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GERMAN IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS

Male Germans between the ages of 16 and 60 were subject to Military service and will possess some papers indicating their relation with the Military.

The documents discussed below are those commonly found on Germans.

(1). The Wehrpass

The most common document carried by Germans of draft age is the Wehrpass, which corresponds to our service record. It is issued to them at the time of their registration for service in the armed forces, taken from them if and when they are discharged. (There is some administrative lag in respect to the returning of the Wehrpass to a discharged soldier.) The Wehrpass is bound in grey cardboard. It contains the following information: p. 1: Name; p. 2: photograph and signature; p. 3: name, date and place of birth, nationality, religion, marital status, occupation and names of parents; p. 4: education, knowledge of foreign languages, other special qualifications (such as ability to drive a motor vehicle); p. 5-7; record of physical examination and classification; p. 8-10: service in the RAD; p. 11-19: record of service on active duty; p. 20-21: notes on type of military training received; p. 22-23: promotions and decorations; p. 24-25: record of discharge; pp. 26, 27, 35: further additions; p. 28-31: temporary recall while on inactive status; p. 32-33: combat experience; p. 34: injuries and illnesses; p. 36-45: relationship to armed forces while on inactive status (class of reserves to which the individual belongs).

Reserve officers possess Wehrpass regardless of their age. Soldiers of the last war may carry a Militaerpass.

(2). Soldbuch.

This is the German soldier's paybook and personal service record, carried by officers and enlisted men who have not been discharged.

The booklet containing 24 pages, is bound in brown cardboard for the army, in blue for the Luftwaffe, blue-grey for the Navy and green for the Waffen SS. It measures 4" x 6". Page 2 contains the following information: (a). Date and place of birth, (b) Religion, (c) civilian occupation, (d) personal description and (e) signature of holder.

(3). Kennkarte

The Kennkarte is the standard identification paper issued to Germans who did not have any other papers. It is a four page document on a grey, cloth-like material. On page 2 it contains the persons name, date and place of birth, occupation, and distinguishing marks, on page 3 there are the person's photograph, signature and fingerprints.

(4). D.2, Demobilization Form (Certificate of Discharge)

(a). See attached form.

(b). For soldiers of the German army who have been discharged from the German army by Allied Military Authorities. This will also authorize travel to the soldiers place of residence.

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CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE
ENTLASSUNGSBESCHEINIGUNG

CONTROL FORM D.2
KONTROLL FORMULAR D.2

ALL ENTRIES WILL BE MADE IN BLOCK LATIN CAPITALS AND WILL BE MADE IN INK OR TYPESCRIPT. ALLE EINTRAGE SIND IN GROSSEN LATEIN BLOCK BUCHSTABEN MIT TINTE ODER SCHREIBMASCHINE ZU MACHEN.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS
PERSONAL ANGABEN

SURNAME OF HOLDER
NACHNAME DES INHABERS _____
CHRISTIAN NAME
VORNAME _____
CIVIL OCCUPATION
ZIVILBERUF _____
HOME ADDRESS
HEIMATADDRESS _____

DATE OF BIRTH
GEBURTSDATUM _____
Day, Month, Year
PLACE OF BIRTH
GEBURTSORT _____
FAMILY STATUS:
FAMILIENSTAND:
- SINGLE LEDIG
- MARRIED VERHEIRATET
- WIDOW(ER) WITWE (R)
- DIVORCED GESCHIEDEN
NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO ARE
MINORS
ANZAHL MINDERJAHRIGER KINDER _____

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF THE PARTICULARS GIVEN ABOVE ARE TRUE! I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE "INSTRUCTIONS TO PERSONNEL ON DISCHARGE" (CONTROL FORM D. 1)

ICH BESCHEINIGE HIERMIT, DASS NACH MEINEM BESTEN WISSEN UND GLAUBEN DIE OBIGEN ANGABEN WAHR SIND. ICH BESCHEINIGE AUCH, DASS ICH DIE "ANLEITUNGEN FÜR PERSONAL BEI DER ENTLASSUNG" GELESEN UND VERSTANDEN HABE (KONTROLL FORMULA D. 1)

SIGNATURE OF HOLDER UNTERSCHRIFT DES INHABERS _____
NAME OF HOLDER IN BLOCK LATIN CAPITALS
NAME DES INHABERS IN GROSSEN LATEIN BLOCK BUCHSTABEN _____

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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE
ARZTLICHE BESCHENIGUNG



DISTINGUISHING MARKS
BESONDERE KENNZEICHEN _____
DISABILITY WITH DESCRIPTION
KRIEGSVERSEHRUNG, MIT BESCHREIBUNG _____
MEDICAL CATEGORY
ARZTLICHE KATEGORIE _____

I CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS RELATING TO THE HOLDER ARE TRUE AND THAT HE IS NOT VERMINOUS OR SUFFERING FROM ANY INFECTIOUS OR CONTAGIOUS DISEASE.

ICH BESCHEINIGE, DASS NACH BESTEN WISSEN UND GLAUBEN DIE OBIGEN ANGABEN BETREFFEND DES INHABERS WAHR SIND, DASS ER AN KEINER ANSTECKENDEN UND ÜBERTRAGBAREN KRANKHEIT LEIDET.

SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL OFFICER UNTERSCHRIFT DES ARZTES _____
NAME AND RANK OF MEDICAL OFFICER IN BLOCK LATIN CAPITALS
NAME UND DIENSTGRAD DES ARZTES IN GROSSEN LATEIN BLOCK BUCHSTABEN _____

☐ DELETE THAT WHICH IS INAPPLICABLE.

☐ NICHTZUTREFFENDES IST AUSZUTREICHEN

(When printed this form will be in English and German)
(Im druck wird dieses Formular auf englisch und deutsch sein)

OVER
UBER

THE PERSON TO WHOM THE ABOVE PARTICULARS REFER WAS DISCHARGED ON
 DER BETREFFENDE, AUF DEN SICH DIE OBIGEN ANGABEN BEZIEHEN, WURDE
 ENTLASSEN AM.

FROM THE §§
 (date of discharge) VON
 (datum der Entlassung)

OFFICIAL
 IMPRESSED DIENSTSTEMPEL
 SEAL

RIGHT THUMBPRINT
 RECHTER DAUMENABRUCK

CERTIFIED BY
 BESCHEINIGT DURCH

NAME, RANK AND
 APPOINTMENT OF ALLIED
 DISCHARGED OFFICER
 NAME, DIENSTGRAD
 UND STELLUNG DES ALLIERTEN ENTLAS-
 UNGSOFFIZIERS.

IN BLOCK LATIN CAPITALS
 IN GROSSEN LATEIN BLOCK BUCHSTABEN

§§ INSERT "ARMY", "NAVY", "AIR FORCE" "VOLKSSTURM", or PARA MILITARY
 ORGANIZATION, e.g. "RAD" "NSFK" etc.

§§ "HEER" "FLOTTE" "LUFTWAFFE" "VOLKSTURM", oder MILITÄRÄHNLICHE
 ORGANISATION z.b. "RAD" "NSFK", einsufügen.