



## Dominion Geordies – Research Guidance

<i>Researcher(s): Date:</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>	<b>ORIGIN: the Dominion in which he served</b>	
<b>INFORMATION</b>	<b>DETAIL</b>	<b>SOURCE(S)</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
<i>Surname</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>		Note any variations, i.e. spellings, aka, etc. in Additional Information on last page
<i>Forenames</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>		
<i>Date/Place of Birth</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>  Minimum required is FreeBMD/GRO refs. Dates of birth given on enlistment should be verified.  <b>Note: Only men actually <b>born</b> in Northumberland or County Durham are eligible for inclusion in the project. If research shows they were born elsewhere then let us know.</b>	FreeBMD/GRO refs; Parish records (Ancestry, FindMyPast, FamilySearch, etc); Service records (not 100% reliable, always verify on FreeBMD)	Census would provide birthplace but birth year usually inaccurate. Use if nothing else, stating e.g. abt 1890. Also, many men were not honest about their age when enlisting.
<i>Last Recorded Address pre enlistment</i>	The last confirmed address that the man is <u>known</u> to have lived at.	Service records (if available); Rolls of Honour; newspapers; electoral rolls, etc. May not always be easily obtained.	Note that any addresses on CWGC are often several years after the casualty died, or may relate to family members.
<i>1911 Census Address &amp; details (or latest census available)</i>	The address where they were living. Brief description of with whom. The casualty's age, birthplace, marital status (inc. how long, if married& stated)		
<i>Schools/Colleges attended</i>	If available	Rolls of Honour/memorials, newspapers, biographies (if available), school registers (FindMyPast/Ancestry)	If attended a well known educational establishment it's worth checking if they have a Roll of Honour
<i>Religion/Church attended pre enlistment</i>	If available.  Omit if unsure.	Service records, Rolls of Honour/memorials, newspapers, biographies (if available),	Being recorded on a church memorial is not necessarily an indication of the man's religion – many churches recorded casualties who lived in the parish but weren't members of the congregation.
<i>Organisation/Society/Club membership</i>	If available.	Rolls of Honour/memorials, newspapers, biographies (if available), employment records	



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<i>Occupation/Trade pre enlistment</i>		If available Omit if unknown, e.g. still at school in 1911.	Census, electoral rolls, service records, Rolls of Honour/memorials, newspapers, biographies (if available)	
<i>Place of Work pre enlistment</i>			As above	
<i>Name of Father</i>		Also note stepfather, if applicable	CWGC; Census; service records, newspapers	
<i>Name of Mother (maiden name if possible)</i>		Also note stepmother, if applicable	CWGC; Census; service records, newspapers; BMD records	If mother previously married then first marriage should be found (if possible) to find maiden name
<i>Parental Address</i>		The last confirmed address that the parents were known to have lived at. Omit if unsure/not available		
<i>Parent's marriage(s)</i>		When and where married.	BMD records	1911 UK census may indicate how many years married, if applicable.
<i>Siblings</i>	<i>Number</i>	Where applicable, try to differentiate any step or half siblings (when parents married more than once or siblings born out of wedlock). If a sibling denoted by first name and middle initial, try to find the middle name.	Census records; service records; newspapers.	May need to work through census back to parents' marriage(s) to ensure all siblings recorded. If parents are on 1911 UK census it should say how many children born/surviving.
	How many			
<i>Wife's name and maiden name</i>		If applicable  State any previous married names, if found.	Service records; BMD records; CWGC; newspapers	
<i>When and where married</i>		If available	As above	
<i>Children's names</i>	<i>Number</i>	If applicable. Include any stepchildren (appropriately identified). If a child denoted by first name and middle initial, try to find the middle name.	Census; BMD records; Service records, etc.	
	How many			
<i>Remarriage of widow (if applicable)</i>		If available	BMD records	CWGC may record widow in new name.
<i>Relationship to other men on database</i>		If identified. Give name and relationship		
<i>Date of death and age (if pre 1921)</i>		Date: <input type="text"/> Age: <input type="text"/>	CWGC; service records; casualty registers	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Regiment at end of service</i>		At death or demobilisation	CWGC; service records; casualty registers	
<i>Battalion at end of service</i>		At death or demobilisation	CWGC; service records; casualty registers	



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<i>Rank at end of service</i>	At death or demobilisation	CWGC; service records; casualty registers	
<i>Place of death (if pre 1921)</i>	The more precise, the better	CWGC; Service Records; casualty registers; newspapers	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Place of death (if post 1921)</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>	BMD records; newspapers; electoral rolls	
<i>Address at death (if post 1921)</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>	BMD records; newspapers; electoral rolls	
<i>Occupation at death (if post 1921)</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>	BMD records; newspapers; electoral rolls	
<i>Battle at death (if applicable/known)</i>	If available (not applicable if died at home)	Battalion history; war diaries	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Field of action at death (if applicable)</i>	Theatre of War at time of death	<a href="http://www.greatwar.co.uk/places/ww1-theatres-of-war.htm">http://www.greatwar.co.uk/places/ww1-theatres-of-war.htm</a>	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Cause/Circumstances of death (if pre 1921)</i>	As much information as can be found	Service records; casualty registers; war diaries; newspapers	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Service Number at death (if pre 1921)</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>	CWGC; service records; casualty registers	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Location of Grave/Memorial</i>	<b>Self Explanatory</b>	CWGC; casualty registers; cemetery records; newspapers	
<i>Grave/Memorial reference (if pre 1921)</i>	e.g. Plot or Panel numbers	CWGC; casualty registers	If died as a result of WW1
<i>Local/other memorials recorded on</i>	Any verifiable record where the man is commemorated.	As available	If the man's place of education or work is known then check if there is a memorial/Roll of Honour.
<i>Details of any other WW1 service:</i> Rank Service Number Regiment Battalion	Any relevant service information <i>(particularly where details on enlistment differ to those at death/end of service)</i>	CWGC; Service records	Any service prior to WW1 (e.g. Boer War) could be mentioned in "Additional Information".
<i>Date of Enlistment (if known)</i>	Include man's home address at enlistment if given	Service Records	
<i>Place of Enlistment</i>	The town/location where they enlisted	Service records	
<i>Medals, Decorations and Awards</i>	Campaign medals awarded. Also include, where applicable, any additional decorations (e.g. Military Medal).	Service records	
<i>Service Record(s) if surviving.</i>	Brief description of what is available (e.g. attestation papers or full service record)  If possible, insert a hyperlink to the records <i>(do not link to Ancestry versions as not accessible to non subscribers)</i>	Appropriate National Archives	Canadian digitisation is ongoing
<i>Destination Country</i>	The destination when the man left the UK.	Passenger lists	
<i>Departure from UK</i>	Date: _____ Vessel: _____ Port: _____ <b>Self Explanatory</b>	Passenger lists	
<i>Arrival at Destination</i>	Date: _____ Port: _____ <b>Self Explanatory</b>	Passenger lists	



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<i>Return to England (if applicable)</i>	Date:	Vessel:	Port	Passenger lists	
	<b>Self Explanatory</b>				
<i>Other Immigration Info (if stated)</i>	Give details of any additional information on passenger lists, e.g. occupation, if travelling with family members, etc.			Passenger lists	
<b>Additional Information – include any information of note</b>					
This section can be used for any information to support the above, or for anything that tells more of the man's story					
<b>Extra tips when researching:</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Keep source information (prints, documents) with the Research Sheet</li><li>• If the man's name is not too common – Google it. It sometimes yields valuable information.</li><li>• Refer to the "Dominion Geordies – Useful Sites" document for research resources.</li><li>• If he was known to be a Prisoner of War then check for possible records on <a href="http://grandeguerre.icrc.org/en/File/Search">http://grandeguerre.icrc.org/en/File/Search</a>. This is the International Red Cross Committee's database of WW1 prisoners and shows where and when they were captured, family information and how/where they died (where applicable).</li></ul>					