



Military Logistics Skill Set

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Outline



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- **Definition**
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Logistics



Modern history & what we do in the Canadian Forces





"An Army marches on its stomach"





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... with an XBox controller in one hand, a Tim Horton's coffee in the other, all the while writing a blog about it on one of a myriad of social media sites"



La Logistique



- **❖** La Logistique − 19th century
- **❖** Baron Antoine Henri Jomini (Napoleon campaigns)
 - > Summary on the Art of War
- **❖** Modern military definition of logistics: "the practical art of moving armies".
- * and further "... not merely the mechanics of transportation, but the staff work, administrative arrangements and even reconnaissance and intelligence involved in moving and sustaining organized military forces"



NATO Logistics



NATO definition of logistics:

The science of planning and carrying out the movement and maintenance of forces.

❖In its most comprehensive sense, the design, development, acquisition, storage, movement, distribution, maintenance, evacuation and disposal of material.



Logistics in the CF



Logistics in the Canadian Forces is

- >Supply
- >Transportation and Movements
- > Finance and Resource Management
- > Human Resources
- **≻Food Services**
- >Ammunition Management
- **≻Postal Services**



Logistics Branch



- **\$** Largest branch in the CF
 - > 14000 mbrs; 11000 Reg Force 3000 Reservists
- ***** Mission: to enable the development of highly motivated and competent logisticians who are operationally focused
- **❖** Serve across three environments, all bases and establishment across the country
- ***** Employed both domestically and on expeditionary operations





Principles of Logistics



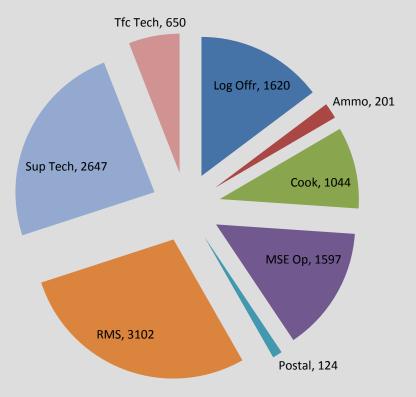
- Responsiveness
- Simplicity
- Flexibility
- **Economy**
- Attainability
- Sustainability
- **Survivability**



The Logistics Branch by Trade



Resource Management Clerk	3102
Supply Technician	2647
Mobile Support Equipment Operator	1597
Cook	1044
Traffic Technician	650
Ammunition Technician	201
Postal Clerk	124
Logistics Officer	1620



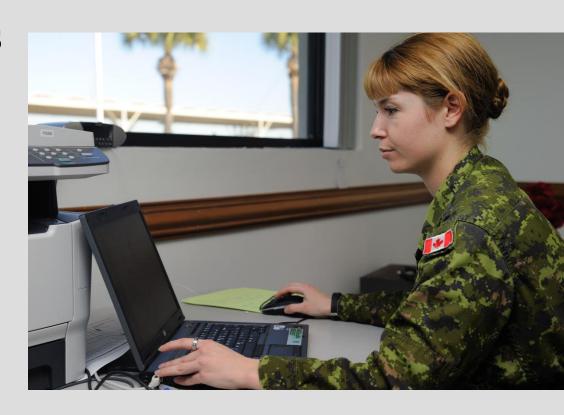
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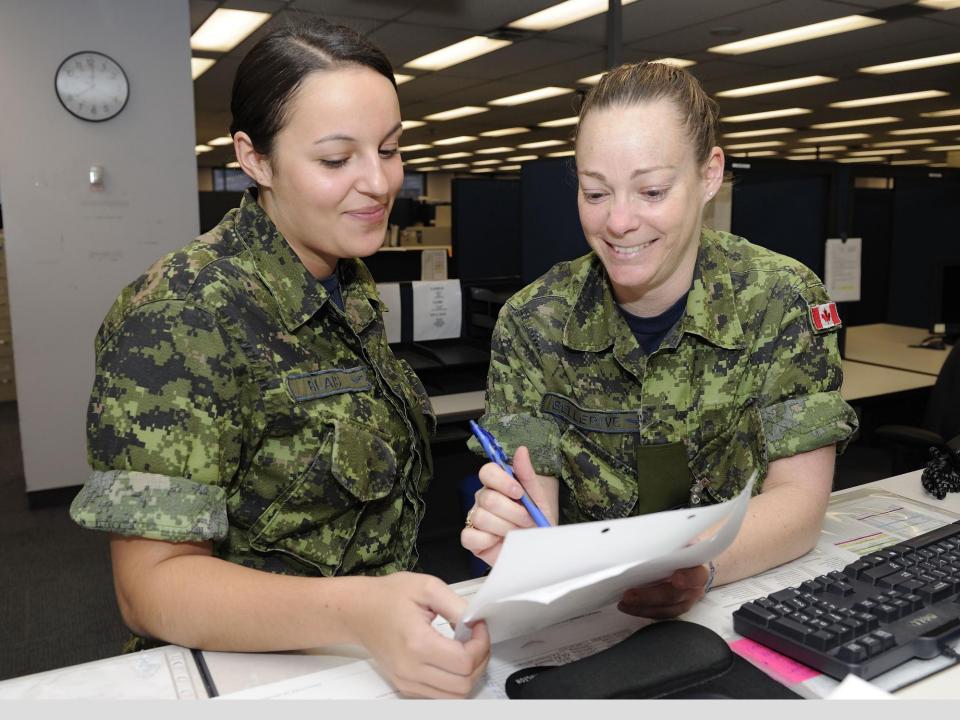


Resource Management Support Clerk



- Human Resources
- Pay and allowances
- **Administrative** support
- **Cash**
- Casualty
 Administration









Supply Technician



- Shipping/Receiving
- Warehousing
- Packaging
- Repair and Disposal
- ***** Contracting
- Control of Hazardous
 Materials
- **❖** Parachute packing















Mobile Support Equipment Operator



- Operate buses, trucks and tractor-trailers
- *Refuelling
- **Snow Clearance**
- **Dispatching**
- **❖Fleet Management**
- **Evasive Anti-Terrorist Driving**









Cook



- **Short order**
- *****Cafeteria
- *****Catering
- **❖Field feeding**
- Flight feeding











Traffic Technician



- **Prepare, load, secure and offload cargo and freight from:**
 - > road
 - > rail
 - > air
 - > sea
- **❖** Plan and arrange movement of personnel, furniture and effects and equipment by military and commercial means













Ammunition Technician



- **❖Provide explosive safety advice**
- **❖**Prepare and ship ammunition
- Maintain static facilities, field and deployed installations
- *Render safe and dispose of ammunition











Postal Clerk



- Receipt, dispatch and delivery of mail
- **❖**Maintain security of post
- *****Morale









Logistics Officer



- **❖** Provide leadership and management to logistics trades as well as to the CF hierarchy as a whole
- **Can specialize:**
 - > Supply Chain Management
 - > Transportation
 - > Human Resource Management
 - > Finance
 - > Food Services
 - **Movements**
 - > Postal
 - > Ammunition



Summary



- **Logistics in the CF is diverse**
- **❖Skill sets are far reaching**
- **Skill sets are shared by private industry key differences:**
 - >ability to live in work in a combat environment
- Servitum Nulli Secundus





QUESTIONS?