Reservist Army Chaplains

Chaplains minister to soldiers and their families in three key areas:

- Spiritual support, both publicly and privately, at every level of the Army.
- Pastoral care at home and abroad.
- Moral guidance through formal teaching, counsel, and personal example.
For centuries the Royal Army Chaplains’ Department (RACCHD) has ministered to soldiers and their families in times of war and peace. Chaplains are honoured to provide spiritual support, pastoral care, and moral guidance to all, irrespective of religion or belief.

The Army is currently recruiting for Reservist Military Chaplains.

To apply, you should be under the age of 49 years and be medically and physically fit. The selection process involves endorsement by your Sending Church and a familiarisation visit to meet serving chaplains at an Army base. Once you have been selected there is an interview process that looks at your aptitude to exercise your vocation in a military context.

If you are offered a commission, you will be assigned to a Reserve unit, undertake induction training at this unit. Over the next two years you then complete short courses at the Armed Forces’ Chaplaincy Centre, Strensall Training Centre, and the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

Your ministry will involve visiting your soldiers on their week night training, accompanying them on weekend training (Sunday commitments allowing) and on their annual camp. With the consent of your church you may be mobilised on operational duty.

Chaplains initially receive a three-year commission. With satisfactory service this can be extended in stages to age 60 (Reservist)

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