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# Air Force Familiarisation Program: East Sale

**Reference number:** WEP/03156/22

**Service:** Air Force

**Placement Location:** East Sale

RAAF Base East Sale, Aerodrome Rd, East Sale VIC 3852

**Type of Placement/s:** Secondary Work Experience Placement

**Start & End dates:** 3-4 August 2022

**Duration of Placement:** 2 days, 1 night

Wednesday to Thursday  
11.00am to 3.00pm (NB – timings may vary slightly)

**Placement Limits:** 20

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**Closing Date:** 11.00PM, 5 June 2022

## Overview of Placement

RAAF Base East Sale is a Royal Australian Air Force military air base and training school located in Sale, Victoria. It is located 220km North East of Melbourne in the Gippsland region and supports a capacity of approximately 700 personnel.

The base is one of the main training establishments of the RAAF and is home to:

- 1 Flying Training School – Air Combat Officer training
- School of Air Traffic Control
- Aviation Candidate Management Centre
- Central Flying School – flying instructor training
- The Roulettes aerobatic team
- 32 Squadron – King Air multi-role aircraft
- 30 Squadron (City of Sale) – airbase operations
- 453 Squadron East Sale Flight – Air Traffic Control
- Air Training Wing
- Officers' Training School
- 1 Expeditionary Health Squadron Detachment East Sale.

Accommodation will be provided at the base on the Wednesday night only.

**PLEASE NOTE: Students will need to make their own arrangements for travel to and from East Sale.**

Participants will visit units responsible for Pilot, Air Combat Officer and Air Traffic Controller training. Students will have the opportunity to discuss a career in the Air Force with instructors and students undergoing training, and may participate in simulator training activities.

## Special Conditions of Placement

1. All placements are subject to relevant State/Territory COVID-19 Guidelines and Defence Restrictions. This may result in a placement being changed, postponed and/or cancelled at short notice.
2. Base East Sale is a Defence training establishment and is critical to building Defence capability. In order to minimise the risk of the training programs being impacted by a COVID-19 event, this Base requires personnel to be, at a minimum, double vaccinated against COVID-19. Students attending this work experience placement will be required to show proof of vaccination, or eligible exemption, before being permitted to RAAF Base East Sale. This requirement is supported by the Department of Education guidelines that require students to adhere to mandatory COVID vaccination requirements of the work place they are attending.
3. Applicants must be aged between 15 - 24 years of age at the time of the placement and enrolled in an Educational Institution.

## Assessment Criteria

You will be required to answer the following questions when completing your online application:

1. What are your career goals and/or areas of interest in the Air Force? What are you doing to achieve these goals? (E.g. school subjects, part-time work, member of relevant organisations such as Cadets, SES, Scouts etc., contact with Defence Force Recruiting etc.)
2. Why do you want to do work experience at RAAF Base East Sale? What do you hope to gain from this experience?
3. Provide an example of when and how you have demonstrated leadership qualities or worked co-operatively in a team to make a positive contribution to the team performance.
4. Describe what sports and/or exercise you currently participate in (including how often), and/or any sporting clubs, organisations etc. you currently belong to.

## Eligibility

This Work Experience placement is available for secondary students only.

Applicants/candidates must be an Australian Citizen / Permanent Resident of Australia.

**Age Group** – Students participating in this Defence work experience placements must be 15 – 18 years of age at the time of the placement and enrolled in an Educational Institution.

## What happens next?

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Applications must be submitted through the online application system (eRecruit) prior to the closing date.

1. When registering on eRecruit and submitting an application, you must use your own email account preferably your school/education email address if you have one.

For further information refer to the [eRecruit Applicant User Guide](#).

If you are experiencing difficulties in submitting your application contact the Work Experience Program team via email at [vic.workexperience@defence.gov.au](mailto:vic.workexperience@defence.gov.au) for assistance.

2. Following the advertised closing date an evaluation of your assessment criteria responses will be completed.
3. The Regional Work Experience Manager administering the placement will advise you and your School Work Experience Coordinator if your application for placement is successful.
4. If successful, you will receive a Work Experience Placement Agreement sent directly to you with a copy sent to your School Work Experience Coordinator.
5. To accept the placement offer:
  - a. complete the Work Experience Agreement;
  - b. have it signed by yourself, your parent/guardian (if you are under the age of 18) and your school principal; and
  - c. email scanned document to the regional work experience address.
6. Once the Agreement is approved you will be provided with further information about the work experience placement.

**Note:** Contact your School Work Experience Coordinator with any queries related to your application.

**Thank you for your interest  
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