

S-55A.
(April, 1904)

Coxner

Official No. if known { *ANF 1509*
Space to be left vacant if not known.

H.M.S.

Form of Engagement or Re-engagement in the Royal Navy under the terms of the Naval Agreement of 1903.

To be forwarded to the Accountant-General of the Navy with Form S.—52 (late S. 41).

Christian and Surname in full.

Present Rating.

William John Cox

Stoker 2nd Class

Date of Birth.

(Vide Arts. 359A, 360, and 361 King's Regulations, 1906.)

Place of Birth and where Registered.

5th September 1891

*Auckland.
New Zealand.*

Personal Description at date of this Document.

Height.	Hair.	Eyes.	Complexion.	Wounds, Scars, or Marks.	Trade or Occupation.
<i>5' 4"</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Dark.</i>	<i>Small tattoo marks on left wrist.</i>	<i>Labourer.</i>

Commencing date of Engagement..... } *5th June 1910* Period of Engagement... *5 Years.*

Date of actually volunteering to engage or re-engage } *June 1910* In case of re-engagement, date and period of previous engagement ...

Length of residence in Australia immediately preceding this date } *Since Birth.*

DECLARATION ON ENTRY FROM SHORE FOR SERVICE.

In accordance with Article 360 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, 1906, the following questions are to be put by the Captain to the person about to engage, whose answers are to be recorded hereon:—

- 1.—Are you a British Subject? ... } *Yes.*
- 2.—Have you ever served in H.M. Navy, Army, Army Reserve, Marines, Militia, or in His Majesty's Indian Military Forces, or in any Colonial Naval or Military Force? If so, state which * ... } *No.*
- 3.—Do you now belong to any of the Forces enumerated above, or the Naval Reserve? ... } *No.*
- 4.—Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service, or discharged from it on that account? If so, state reasons of rejection, or discharge, and date ... } *No.*
- 5.—Have you ever been dismissed from any of the Forces enumerated above? ... } *No.*
- 6.—Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? ... } *Yes.*

* Particulars of service in any of these forces or in the Merchant Service should be forwarded into Office with this Engagement.

ENGAGEMENT OR RE-ENGAGEMENT FOR MEN IN THE ROYAL NAVY, UNDER THE TERMS OF THE NAVAL AGREEMENT OF 1903.

Date 5 June 1910.

This is to certify that we have examined the person named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for His Majesty's Navy, and we find as follows:—He is of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, free from all physical malformation, active and intelligent; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

[Signature] } Captain
John Fullerton } Commander.
 Medical Officer.

I William John Cox do solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the foregoing questions are true, and I do hereby agree to serve honestly and faithfully in the Royal Navy for five years from * 5 June 1910 provided my service should be so long required, as witness my hand this 5 day of June 1910.

Witnesses to } William John Cox Man's Signature in full or Mark
 Signature or Mark. } [Signature] Lieutenant
[Signature] Writer.

2.—CERTIFICATE FOR BOYS.

_____ 19 _____

This is to certify that we have examined the boy named on the other side hereof, as to his fitness for His Majesty's Navy, and we find as follows:—He is a well-grown, stout, intelligent lad; of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, and free from all physical malformation; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

The consent of his parents or friends has been obtained in writing, † and they are willing and desirous that the boy should be entered for five years' service from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till he attains that age; and the boy himself is willing and desirous to enter the Royal Navy under these conditions, as attested by his signature attached hereto, and declares that he is not indentured as an apprentice, and also that to the best of his knowledge and belief the answers to the questions on the other side hereof are true.

Witnesses to } _____ Boy's Signature in full.
 Signature, in full. } _____
 _____ Captain or Commander.
 _____ Lieutenant.
 _____ Medical Officer.

3.—RE-ENGAGEMENT FOR SERVICE.

To be executed by men who have not been out of the Service since the expiration of their first engagement.

The particulars indicated on the other side are also required when this Form is used.

I _____, now serving as a _____ on board H.M.S. _____ who on the _____ of _____ 19 _____, engaged to serve in H.M. Navy for a period of Five Years, under the terms of the Naval Agreement of 1903, do hereby engage to serve for a further period of Five Years from † _____ provided my services should be so long required.

_____ Man's Signature in full, or Mark.
 _____ 19 _____
 Witness, _____ Captain.

* Insert the date from which the Engagement actually commences.

† The document conveying the consent to be attached to this paper.

‡ Insert the date of commencement of the re-engagement which must either be coincident with, or (when the re-engagement is antedated) earlier than the date of execution. *Vide* Art. 393, Cl. 3, of the Regulations, 1906.

Agreement relative to Deferment of Colonial Allowance.

To be signed by all Men and Boys entered under the Naval Agreement of 1903, and on Re-engagement, and to be attached to Form S. 55 A.

Until the expiration of my Engagement, or until I obtain my discharge, if previous to the expiration of that Engagement, I do hereby agree to defer the withdrawal of my Colonial Allowance from the States Savings Bank, except such amounts as shall be approved by my Commanding Officer to be withdrawn for the benefit of *bona fide* dependent relatives, as witness my hand this.....day of

June.....19 *10*

William John Cox.....Man or Boy's Signature in full, or ~~Mark~~

Witness.....*Ronzale*.....*Geo Siberis.*

CONSENT PAPER.

(This Paper is required in all cases where the Candidate is under the age of ²¹ 17 years, in addition to the Certificate of Birth or Declaration.)

* Strike out "son" or "ward" as the case may be.

I hereby certify that my ~~son,*~~ ^{ward} William John Cox has my full consent (being himself willing) to enter His Majesty's Navy for a period of ~~Twelve~~ ^{Five} Years' Continuous and General Service, from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary until he attains that age, agreeably to the Admiralty Regulations.

Boys from Industrial Schools and Industrial School Ships are entered, in exceptional cases, on special submission by the Superintendent of the School.

My ~~son~~ ^{ward} has ~~not~~ been an inmate of an Industrial School or an Industrial School Ship.

He has not been in a Reformatory, nor has he been sentenced to imprisonment.

I declare that he has never had fits.

The Date of the Boy's Birth is, † 5th September 1891

His Religious Persuasion is, Church of England

Witness my hand at 1 day of March 1910.



† ~~Parent's~~ Guardian's Signature in full George Melville Purvison

† ~~Parent's~~ Guardian's Address



† Must be signed by the Father, if alive, or satisfactory explanation made.

Strike out "Parent's" or "Guardian's" as the case may be.

In the case of a Guardian see other side.

I, the above named William John Cox do consent to enter His Majesty's Navy and do declare that I am not Indentured as an apprentice.

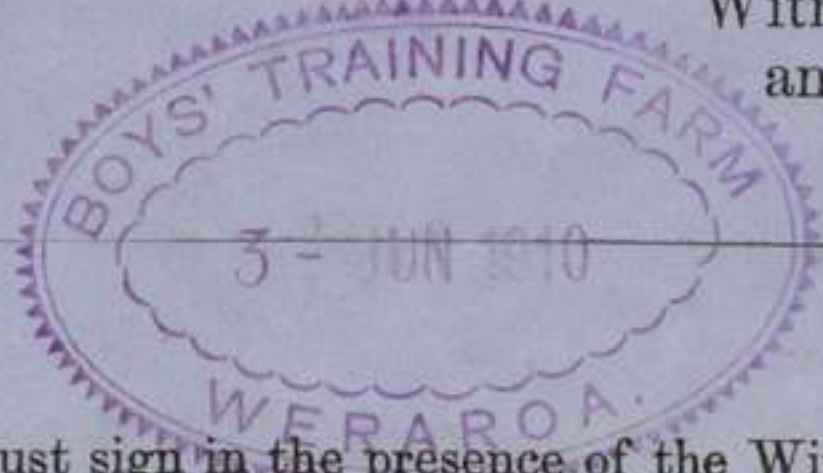
§ Boy's Signature in full William John Cox

Signed by the said [Here write Boy's name] William John Cox

And [Here write Parent or Guardian's name] Melville Purvison

James R. Farther

In the presence of { Witness to signatures of Boy, and Parent or Guardian.



Address.

N.B.—The Boy and Parent or Guardian must sign in the presence of the Witness to their signatures.

NEW ZEALAND.

CERTIFIED COPY OF ENTRY OF BIRTH IN THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

District of Auckland Year, 1891.

[3,000/8/1908-9867

No.	CHILD.			PARENTS.		INFORMANT.	REGISTRAR.	CHILD.	
	When and where Born.	Name of Child, and whether present or not.	Sex.	FATHER.	MOTHER.				
				1. Name and Surname. 2. Rank or Profession. 3. Age. 4. Birthplace.	When and where Married. 1. Name and Maiden Surname. 2. Age. 3. Birthplace.				
1182.	5 September, 1891. Costley Home Epsom.	William John. not.	M.		Illegitimate.	Elizabeth Ada Cov, 18, Auckland.	John Strathern Wellesley St. West, 1891. Reputed Agent of J. Owen Ford, Elizabeth Ada Cov, Mother, Epsom.	9 September, 1891. Reg.	Name, if added or altered after Registration of Birth.

I, Wilfrid Hulstan Cook, Deputy - Registrar-General for the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the entry of the birth of William John, illegitimate male child of Elizabeth Ada Cov in the records of my office.

Given under my hand at Wellington this Twenty-fourth day of May, 1910.

W. Cook
Deputy - Registrar-General.