

## SUPPLY TECHNICIAN

### THE ROLE

If you're good at thinking ahead and project planning, then you could be well-suited to a career as a Supply Technician. Your main responsibility will be to ensure our troops have enough equipment and supplies to complete any task – no matter where in the world you are, and what in the world your mission. From ammunition to zips, and everything in between, it will be your task to ensure the Army has everything it needs to get the job done.

You will need to learn how to move all of the New Zealand Army's equipment around. That means you will gain driving licences in various classes including forklift and heavy truck. You may learn how to operate our field petrol tankers.

You will also receive training in SAP; an internationally used software package used by many of the worlds largest and most successful companies.

### JOB ON CAMP

While on camp, you will be in charge of the safe storage and distribution of the kit used by the Army. This will involve the ordering and sourcing of different equipment ranging from ammunition to clothing to the stationery needs for troops and support services.

As well as your day to day responsibilities as a supply technician, you will also continue your soldier training including weapons, medical and radio/communications training.

### JOB ON DEPLOYMENT

Supply Technicians deploy on a variety of overseas missions and postings in support of other units and contingents. The role of a Supply Technician overseas will be largely the same as while on camp, sourcing equipment and supplies as required to ensure the Army has what it needs to get the job done. Past deployments have included Afghanistan, Timor-Leste and Sinai.

### CAREER PROGRESSION

Post your initial Logistics Course you will have the opportunity to complete a number of Specialist courses to broaden your knowledge and skills as a Supply Technician. This could be from gaining new licenses, to learning how to handle and store ammunition or bulk fuel. As a Supply Technician you will have the opportunity to work in a variety of different fields and gain NZQA accredited qualifications while doing so.

As a Supply Technician you could be posted to one of the main Combat Service Support Battalions, or posted to a units within NZ to provide direct 1st line support to the Combat and Combat Support troops within the NZ Army. Supply Technician's may be required to work individually within small teams or as part of a large Company sized groups. Even in the early stages of your career you may be given a lot of responsibility and asked to complete tasks with minimal guidance. As a Supply Technician there is a number of paths your career can move toward and you will gain a variety of highly transferable skills to the civilian world.

### PAY & BENEFIT DETAILS

Careers in the Army are well-rewarded, as well as being diverse and exciting. As you become more experienced and move up through the ranks, gaining additional skills and qualifications, you will see your salary rise accordingly.

While undertaking initial Recruit Course you will be paid as a Recruit (see attached [pay table](#)). On completion of your Recruit Course you will be paid as a Private and your pay will continue to increase as your career progresses.

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- You must be at least 17 years of age.
- Meet the [citizenship & security](#) requirements to gain **CV security clearance** for this trade.
- Driver's Licence: A Class 1 restricted driver's licence is desirable.
- Typing and computer skills are preferred.

## EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

You must have achieved the NCEA level 1 Literacy and Numeracy requirements

[Find out more about the NCEA levels and certificate requirements](#)

## FITNESS REQUIREMENTS

- You must be [medically](#) fit for service.
- Colour perception restrictions may apply.

## TRAINING

### BASIC TRAINING

Upon successful enlistment into the Army you will be posted to Waiouru Army base. Here you will do 16 weeks of basic military training to find out if you have what it takes to be in the Army, and learn various subjects including:

- Organisation and Administration
- Army Customs and Protocol
- Drill and Parades
- Military Field Skills and Weapon Training
- First Aid
- Physical Fitness

### JOB TRAINING

#### ROYAL NZ ARMY LOGISTIC REGIMENT BASIC COURSE

This four-week course at Trentham Camp, Upper Hutt, involves:

- Learning the intricacies of Combat Services Support
- Learning to operate in a camp environment
- Learning to operate in a field environment
- Corps history

### ONGOING TRAINING

Throughout your career, you will gain recognised qualifications in warehousing and inventory management, as well as occupational health and safety licences.

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## SPECIALIST TRAINING

As you gain experience, you will also have the opportunity to specialise in areas such as:

- Medical equipment
- Repair parts/equipment
- Rationing
- Petroleum operation
- Field services, include shower/laundry
- Contract management
- Computer/information systems
- Procurement (purchasing and acquisition)
- Ammunition handling

## LOCATION DETAILS

In New Zealand Supply Technicians are based at Waiouru, Linton, Trentham and Burnham. There also are a limited number of positions available in Auckland, Wanganui, Tauranga and Dunedin.

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