

MCpl J. Pelletier, CD



Master Corporal Jason Pelletier, CD, will retire from the Canadian Military Engineers on 15 March 2022 after 19 years of service to Canada.

Jason was born and raised in Ottawa, ON, where he graduated from high school in 1992. After graduating from Algonquin College, he worked at Nortel as a technologist until that company's demise in 2001. Ironically, the Nortel facility where he worked is now NDHQ-West. Jason enlisted in the CAF (Army Signals) in 2003, out of Ottawa.

Jason completed basic training in St. Jean, QC, followed by QL3 trades training at CFSCE. He served at CFJSR Kingston before deploying to Afghanistan in 2005 and again in 2008. He was posted to 764 Communications Sqn in Ottawa in 2009, where he was promoted to MCpl in 2010. In October of that year,

Jason was selected as a supporter within JTF2, effective March 2010. He remained at Dwyer Hill until 2013 when he OT'd to ED Tech. Having completed trades training at CFSME, Jason was posted to Bagotville in 2014, Cold Lake in 2016, and finally to Comox in 2020, after having been promoted back to MCpl.

During his time at Dwyer Hill Training Centre, Jason helped update and streamline deployed access to existing classified networks, as well as assisting with the development of a new communications det (Special Operations Tactical Sensors Network) to transfer real-time, encrypted video from surveillance assets or active battlefield feeds directly to the SOF Commander's mobile platform.

As an electrician, Jason deployed to Canada's arctic in 2017 and 2018 to install upgrades to facilities in Iqaluit and Yellowknife. He deployed to Kuwait in 2021 for an emergency repair to the electrical system, needed as a result of fires which were impacting the AC systems of the accommodations building.

Jason took a lot of enjoyment from coaching and assisting his sons' hockey teams, alternating between them from year to year. While this was the fairest arrangement for both boys, Jason lamented being unable to watch one son play while committed to the other elsewhere. As satisfying as coaching can be, Jason feels that being a fan in the stands is more enjoyable.

Jason has accepted the position of Project Manager (Electrical) within the RP Ops (Pacific) organization. He, his wife Tanya, and their two sons, Mason and Dean, will settle in the Victoria area.