

Common Abbreviations Used in Australian Service Record Files

Abbreviation	Meaning
A.A.H.	Australian Auxiliary Hospital
A.A.M.C.	Australian Army Medical Corps
A.C.C.S.	Australian Casualty Clearing Station
A.D.B.D.	Australian Divisional Base Depot
A.D.H.	Australian Dermatological Hospital
A.F.A.	Australian Field Artillery
A.G.B.D.	Australian General Base Depot
A.G.H.	Australian General Hospital
A.I.B.D.	Australian Infantry Base Depot
A.I.F.	Australian Imperial Force
A.S.H.	Australian Stationary Hospital (also Australian Special Hospital)
A.T. (25)	Ambulance Train - number will vary
AWOL	Absent Without Leave
B.E.F.	British Expeditionary Force
Bn.	Battalion
Bde.	Brigade
Bty.	Battery
BW	Bullet wound
C.B.	Confined to Barracks (as punishment)
C.C.	Confined to Camp (as punishment)
Con. Dep.	Convalescent Depot
Coy.	Company
D.A.C.	Divisional Ammunition Column also Division Artillery Column
D.D.	Details Depot
D.S.C.	Divisional Supply Column
DOD	Died of Disease
DOW	Died of Wounds
E.E.F.	Egyptian Expeditionary Force
F. Amb. or F.A.	Field Ambulance
F.A.B.	Field Artillery Brigade
F. P.	Field Punishment - could be awarded by a court martial or a commanding officer for any offence committed on active service. F.P. 1 - consisted of heavy laboring duties possible being restrained in handcuffs or tied to a post or wheel. FP. 2 - differed in that the offender was not liable to be attached to a fixed object
GSW	Gun shot wound
H.M.A.T.	His Majesty's Australian Transport
H.S.	Hospital Ship
In the Field	Generic term for the "Front" (usually France or Belgium)
K.I.A.	Killed in Action
M.E.F.	Mediterranean Expeditionary Force (Gallipoli)
M/I	Marched In

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M/O	Marched Out
N.C.O.	Non Commissioned Officer
No. 1 Com. Dep.	No. 1 Command Depot
NYD	Not Yet Determined/Diagnosed
P.U.O.	Pyrexia (fever) of unknown origin
Perm. Cadre	Permanent Cadre - the complement of commissioned & non-commissioned officers of a military unit responsible for training the rest of the unit. The permanent skeleton of the unit.
R.A.A.	Royal Australian Artillery
R.B.A.A.	Reserve Brigade Australia Artillery
Regt.	Regiment
Sty. Hosp	Stationary Hospital
SW	Shrapnel wound
T.O.S.	Taken on Strength - a soldier was officially posted to the Unit
V.O. (Rank)	Voyage Only - soldier was appointed to the higher rank for the voyage only
Vice	Replacing (usually followed by the name of the person the soldier was replacing)
WOAS	When (or While) On Active Service