

# Certificate

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## REMOVAL OF DANGEROUS MILITARY DEFENCE WORKS.

(Issued under the authority and on behalf of G.O.C.-in-C. South Eastern Army.)

GENERAL. This Certificate will be issued to the Service Department, Government Department, Local Government Authority, or the Civil Authority concerned, and is intended to guarantee, as far as circumstances will permit, the safety of certain Structures, Buildings or Areas of Land which have been made dangerous by the installation of Explosive Devices, but from which such devices have subsequently been removed.

ADDRESSED TO The Regional Commissioner, No.12 Region.

### TYPE OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICE

Minefield.

### LOCATION OF STRUCTURE, BUILDING or AREA of LAND

Military Reference

Minefield Serial No. 55A.  
Map Ref. Sheet 133. 46082052 to 46182070.

Civil

The minefield was situated in the Parish of Littlehampton in the County of Sussex. The minefield lay to the west and north of the old fort on the west of the mouth of the river Arun. The minefield extended from a point 90 yards north of High Tide Level and 40 yards west of the fort northwards for 100 yards and then north eastwards for 140 yards terminating at the top of the bank 60 yards west of the river. The minefield had an average width of 20 yards and covered an area of 4800 square yards.

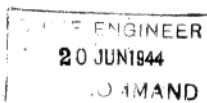
### REPORT BY THE CHIEF ENGINEER, S.E. COMMAND

I have carefully studied the Minefield Records of the above area, available in this office, which records were compiled from the reports of the Engineer Officers engaged in the work of laying the mines. They are accurate only in so far as the circumstances of the time at which the minefields were laid permitted but in the main fairly represent the facts.

I have compared the records with the detailed reports of the Engineer Officers entrusted with the responsibility of clearing the minefields of the above area, and, as a result, I am of the opinion that :—

There is some doubt from the old records as to the number of mines originally laid.

From the report of the officer in charge of clearing the minefield I am satisfied that all mines have been removed from the area shown on the attached plan.



Date 20 June, 1944.

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