
George Douglas Sedgwick

From December 1941, at the age of fourteen until the Japanese surrender in 1945, I was a volunteer Air Raid Warden in Subiaco. Air Raid precautions and St John Ambulance courses were attended and examinations passed. My responsibility was for the block bounded by Thomas Street, Bagot Road and Bedford Avenue which included houses, blocks of flats and a maternity hospital. Records of the occupants of all the buildings were kept and fire-fighting pumps were stored and maintained at home. Help was given to property occupiers with masking and fitting blackout material to windows, and the securing of one room, pantry or stairwell in case of air raids, especially after the bombing of Darwin, Wyndham and Broome etc. and the sighting of enemy vessels off the south west of Western Australia. During the day if I was at school which was about a kilometre away, I rode my bike to attend during exercises or real alarms.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.
CIVIL DEFENCE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1940.
Civil Defence Council.
AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS.

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.

(Regulation 33 (a).)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that (a) James Douglas Sedgwick
at (b) 50 Bedford Ave, Subiaco in the
State of Western Australia, has been duly appointed (or re-appointed) as a (c) Warden
and the regulations made thereunder. And that the said James Douglas Sedgwick
is hereby authorized to exercise the powers and carry out the
duties of his said office in accordance with the provisions of the said Act and regulations.

Date of issue 29 Dec 1941

Date of appointment (or re-appointment) 29 Dec 1941

Signature of person appointed as (c) James Douglas Sedgwick

(d) James Douglas Sedgwick

Signed by the Head Warden of Subiaco District

this 29 day of December 1941, in the

presence of (e) James Douglas Sedgwick

(3)

(a) Full name of person appointed or re-appointed. (b) Address. (c) Insert nature of appointment or re-appointment. (d) Signature of Head Warden bearing the seal of authority. (e) Signature of witness.

NOTE.—This Certificate of Authority is the property of the Civil Defence Council and must be returned to the Council on demand, or when the appointee's named service ceases for any reason to hold the office.



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Civil Defence (Emergency Powers) Act, 1940
CIVIL DEFENCE COUNCIL

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

Certificate of Examination

Regulation 30 (j)

This is to certify that GEORGE DOUGLAS SEDGWICK

of 77 RETROPE AVENUE, TRARALGO,

whose signature appears in the margin hereof, has qualified in a course of study in
AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS in accordance with the scheme approved by the
Civil Defence Council of Western Australia.

Dated this 10th day of SEPTEMBER 1942.

Instructor

H. J. Bayly

Chief Warden

Director of Civil Defence

M. J. Bayly