

**Rhodesian Air Force – Key to Abbreviations
(and other Air Forces whose personnel served in Rhodesia)**

Ranks

A/Gp Capt	Acting Group Captain
AC	Aircraftsman
AC2	Aircraftsman Second Class
ACM	Air Chief Marshal
ACW1	Aircraftswoman 1st Class (SRWAAF)
ACW2	Aircraftswoman 2nd Class (SRWAAF)
AF Fit	Air Frame Fitter
Air Cdre	Air Commodore
Air Lt	Air Lieutenant (post 1 Mar 1970)
Air Sub Lt	Air Sub Lieutenant (post 1 Mar 1970)
AM	Air Marshal
ASO	Assistant Section Officer (SRWAAF)
AVM	Air Vice-Marshal
CFI	Chief Flying Instructor (RATG)
Ch Tech	Chief Technician
Cpl	Corporal
Cpl Tech	Corporal Technician
CPO	Chief Petty Officer (RHAF)
Eng Fit	Engine Fitter
Flt Lt	Flight Lieutenant
Flt Sgt	Flight Sergeant
Flt/O	Flight Officer (SRWAAF)
FO	Flying Officer (pre 1 Mar 1970)
Gp Capt	Group Captain
JMO	Junior Medical Officer (RATG)
J Tech	Junior Technician
LAC	Leading Aircraftsman
M Sgt	Master Sergeant
M Tech	Master Technician
PMO	Principal Medical Officer (RATG)
PO	Pilot Officer (pre 1 Mar 1970)
S Sgt	Senior Sergeant (SRWAAF)
S Tech	Senior Technician
S/Sgt	Senior Sergeant (SRWAAF)
SAC	Senior Aircraftsman
SACW	Senior Aircraftswoman
SAO	Senior Armaments Officer (RATG)
SASO	Senior Air Staff Officer (RATG)
Sgt	Sergeant
SMO	Senior Medical Officer (RATG)
SO	Section Officer (SRWAAF)
SPSO	Senior Personnel Staff Officer (RATG)

Sqn Ldr	Squadron Leader
Sqn/O	Squadron Officer (SRWAAF)
Sub Lt	Sub Lieutenant (Woman)
SWO	Station Warrant Officer
UO1	Under Officer Class 1 (SRWAAF)
UO2	Under Officer Class 2 (SRWAAF)
Wg Cdr	Wing Commander
Wg/Of	Wing Officer (SRWAAF)
WO	Warrant Officer
WO1	Warrant Officer Class 1
WO2	Warrant Officer Class 2

Units

1 Sqn	No 1 Squadron
2 Sqn	No 2 Squadron
3 Sqn	No 3 Squadron
4 Sqn	No 4 Squadron
5 Sqn	No 5 Squadron
6 Sqn	No 6 Squadron
7 Sqn	No 7 Squadron
8 Sqn	No 8 Squadron
1 Sqn SRAF	No 1 Squadron Southern Rhodesia Air Force
237 Sqn RAF	No 237 (Rhodesia) Squadron, Royal Air Force
266 Sqn RAF	No 266 (Rhodesia) Squadron, Royal Air Force
44 Sqn RAF	No 44 (Rhodesia) Squadron, Royal Air Force
AFZ	Air Force of Zimbabwe
Air Sec 1RR	Air Section, 1st Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
Air Sec SRDF	Air Section, Southern Rhodesia Defence Force
ARU	Aircraft Repair Unit (RATG)
BGTS	Bombing and Gunnery Training school (RATG)
CFS	Central Flying School (RATG)
CAOS	Combined Air Observation School (RATG)
Com Sqn SRSC	Communications Squadron, Southern Rhodesian Staff Corps
EANS	Elementary Air Navigation School (RATG)
EFTS	Elementary Flying Training School (RATG)
ITW	Initial Training Wing (RATG)
RAAF	Royal Australia Air Force (RATG)
RATG	Rhodesian Air Training Group
RATG Belvedere	Rhodesian Air Training Group Belvedere (25 EFTS)
RATG Cranborne	Rhodesian Air Training Group Cranborne (20 SFTS)
RATG Guinea Fowl	Rhodesian Air Training Group Guinea Fowl (26 EFTS)
RATG Heany	Rhodesian Air Training Group Heany (23 SFTS)
RATG Induna	Rhodesian Air Training Group Induna (27 EFTS)
RATG Kumalo	Rhodesian Air Training Group Kumalo (21 SFTS)
RATG Moffat	Rhodesian Air Training Group Moffat (24 BGTS)

RATG Moffat	Rhodesian Air Training Group Moffat (24 CAOS) until 12 May 1943
RATG Moffat	Rhodesian Air Training Group Moffat (29 EANS)
RATG Mt Hampden	Rhodesian Air Training Group Mt Hampden (28 EFTS)
RATG Thornhill	Rhodesian Air Training Group Thornhill (22 SFTS)
RHAF	Royal Hellenic Air Force (RATG)
RhAF	Rhodesian Air Force
RRAF	Royal Rhodesian Air Force
SFTS	Service Flying Training School (RATG)
SRAF	Southern Rhodesian Air Force
SRAU	Southern Rhodesia Air Unit
ZRAF	Zimbabwe Rhodesia Air Force

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