## Vice-Admiral Edmund Rollo Mainguy, OBE, CD Chief of the Naval Staff (CNS) 01 December 1951 to 16 January 1956

Born: 11 May 1901 Victoria, BC

Son: Vice-Admiral Daniel Nicholas Mainguy, CMM, CD - VCDS 1983 to 1985

Died: 29 April 1979 Nanaimo, BC

**Honours** 

09/01/1943 OBE Officer of the Order of the British Empire Captain Mention in Despatches Commander 01/01/1941+ MID 03/08/1946 Officer Legion of Merit Commodore (USA) Canadian Forces Decoration 1951 CD Rear-Admiral



| 1915       | Naval Cadet   | Royal Naval College of Canada (Sixth Term) |
|------------|---------------|--|
| 15/02/1918 | Midshipman    | RCN – to HMS Canada for training with RN   |
| 1919       | Midshipman    | HMS Barham                                 |
| 1919       | Acting Sub-Lt | HMS Callipe                                |
| 1921       | Acting Sub-Lt | HMCS Aurora                                |
| 15/05/1921 | Lieutenant    | HMCS Patriot                               |
| 1923       | Lieutenant    | Long Signals Course at HMS Victory         |
| 1924       | Lieutenant    | Instructor at Royal Naval Signals School   |
| 01/05/1925 | Lieutenant    | To HMCS Naden as Signals Officer and Reser |

01/05/1925 Lieutenant To HMCS Naden as Signals Officer and Reserve Training Officer 01/10/1926 Lieutenant NSHQ as Signals Officer and Supervising Officer Western Division RCNVR

1928 Lieutenant To HMS Frobisher (Training Cruiser) as Flag Lt to Rear-Admiral

10/09/1928 Lieutenant To HMS London \ \1st Cruiser Squadron

13/03/1929 LCdr Promoted to Lieutenant-Commander 20/03/1930 LCdr To *HMCS Vancouver* as Flag Lieutenant

1931 LCdr Special Signal Duty with Royal Navy on the American and West Indies Station 29/07/1932 LCdr To NSHQ as Staff Officer Signals and Wireless Telegraphy (W/T) Duty

01/12/1934 LCdr To HMCS Saguenay as First Lieutenant & Signals and W/T Officer West Coast

15/05/1936 LCdr Last **Commanding Officer** of *HMCS Vancouver (I)* 

25/11/1936 LCdr End service on HMCS Vancouver

01/01/1937 Commander Promoted and made Director of Naval Reserves to 15/12/1938

01/01/1938 Commander To Royal Navy Staff College

19/10/1939 Commander Commanding Officer of *HMCS Assiniboine (I)* (River Class Destroyer) Commander Commanding Officer of *HMCS Ottawa (I)* (River Class Destroyer)

01/01/1941 Commander MID

01/06/1941 Captain **Commanding Officer** of *HMCS Ottawa* – end 20 July 1941

27/08/1941 Captain To HMCS Sambro as **Captain(D)** Halifax 1942 A/Commodore Commanding Newfoundland Force

1942 A/Commodore To Naval Service HQ and Chief of Naval Personnel / 3<sup>rd</sup> Member Naval Board

15/08/1944 Captain To stand by as Commanding Officer *HMCS Uganda* (Cruiser)
21/10/1944 Captain **Commanding Officer** *HMCS Uganda* (Cruiser) to 04 July 1946
01/07/1946 Commodore Promoted while Commanding Officer HMCS Uganda to 04/07/1946
01/08/1946 Rear-Admiral To HMCS Givenchy for Commanding Officer Pacific Coast (RAdm WHA)

03/03/1947 Rear-Admiral Commanding Officer Pacific Coast

01/07/1947 Rear-Admiral Substantive Rear-Admiral as Commanding Officer Pacific Coast to 08/09/1948

15/09/1948 Rear-Admiral Flag Officer Atlantic Coast (FOAC) 01/12/1951 Vice-Admiral Chief of the Naval Staff at NSHQ

16/01/1956 Vice-Admiral Retire

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## Civilian

Executive Director Canadian Mental Health Association
Director Royal Canadian Institute in Toronto
President Ontario Division, Navy League of Canada

1961 President Great Lakes Waterways Development Association

MAINGUY, Edmund Rollo, Commander - Mention in Despatches - RCN / HMCS Assiniboine - Awarded as per London Gazette of 1 January 1941 (no Canada Gazette).

"For outstanding zeal, patience and cheerfulness and for never failing to set an example of whole hearted devotion to duty without which the high tradition of the Royal Canadian Navy could not have been upheld."



MAINGUY, Edmond Rollo, Captain - Officer - Order of the British Empire (OBE) - RCN / Commanding Newfoundland Forces - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 9 January 1943 and London Gazette of 1 January 1943.

"For gallantry and distinguished services before the enemy. As commanding officer of a destroyer and as senior officer of convoy escort groups both in the United Kingdom waters and in the North Atlantic, this officer has consistently displayed great powers of leadership and devotion to duty. His example to Destroyer personnel of the Canadian escort forces assisted in no small measure in laying the foundations of the traditions which have since been fostered and upheld by the small ships, which comprise the Royal Canadian Navy."

MAINGUY, Edmond Rollo, Commodore, OBE - Officer - Legion of Merit (USA) - RCN / Captain(D) Newfoundland - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 3 August 1946 and London Gazette of 1 January 1946.

"For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Captain(D), Newfoundland Force at St. John's, Newfoundland in connection with operations with Task Force Twenty-four. His forceful and proficient performance of duty was particularly outstanding and commendable and his intelligent and cooperative attitude toward administrative and maintenance problems concerning the surface forces of Task Force Twenty-four contributed materially to the high state of readiness of those forces. He displayed excellent qualities of leadership and his professional skill and devotion to duty were at all times outstanding."

## Medals of Rear-Admiral Edmond Rollo Mainguy, OBE, CD, RCN:

OBE - British War Medal - WW1 Victory Medal - 39/45 Star - Atlantic Star - Pacific Star - Defence Medal - CVSM & Clasp - 39/45 War Medal with MID - George VI Coronation - CD and two BARS - Officer, Legion of Merit (USA).

