



## TfL Corporate Archives Research Guides

### Research Guide No 17: Sources for Genealogical Research

The staff records held by the Corporate Archives date from the opening of the earliest underground line, the Metropolitan line, in 1863, and cover underground, bus, tram and some clerical staff. Our records, however, are far from complete, and almost nothing post-dating the end of the Second World War is held. It should also be noted that it is not the policy of the Archives to collect and retain individual staff files.

The staff records that are held are primarily found in registers, with varying amounts of information contained therein. While some provide quite extensive information, including the height of the employee, disciplinary issues, pay and previous position details, others contain no more than a name, date of commencement of service and a badge number.

The only source of information we have for employees working for the company after the Second World War is the staff magazines. These date from 1914-1994, and as well as containing articles on various staff members and activities; they contain lists of retirements and obituaries. The information provided here is again rather sparse, and tends to just list the name, position, location and length of service of the individual.

Employee's Name	Badge No.	Enlist.	Book No.	Folio	Enlist.	Left.	Remarks
Brook P.G.	209	S	4781	15-5-08	10-6-12	Deceased	
Burgess J.	3047	S	4781	20-5-08	16-8-13	Left Transport	
Burke G.	2862	N.E.	4781	21-6-08	28-10-08	Deceased	
Burton A.	245	N.E.	4781	23-6-08			
Burton G.	608	M.W.	4781	27-7-07			
Burd G.	1068	W.	4781	27-11-08			
Burton J.	13	N.E.	4781	28-5-08			
Burdall R.G.	2016	S	4781	6-2-07	11-9-1908	Absent	
Burdall G.F.	278	N	469	202	4-9-01		
Burton R.G.	285		4612	153	11-10-05		
Burley J.W.	600	S.W.	469	400	27-7-07		
Burton G.A.	728	N	469	257	20-5-01	19-11-09	Resigned
Burton G.B.	710	S.W.	4612	27	20-5-05	28-09	Dismissed
Burton J.L.	286	N.W.	4611	27	12-2-07		
Burton H.	1171	S.W.	4612	07	1-9-05	16-10-07	Resigned
Burton J.L.	1079		4612	271	21-7-05		
Burton J.L.	1090		4612	228	22-2-00	22-3-04	Deceased
Burton J.	1095	W.	4611	219	27-8-08	14-7-10	Resigned
Burton W.H.	1820	N	4617	98	25-5-98		
Burton H.B.	1814		4611	121	7-3-98		
Burton S.	1820	S.W.	4612	97	17-7-05	29-6-10	Resigned
Burton G.F.	1820	S.W.	4612	416	2-9-06		
Burton G.W.	2212	W.	4612	312	20-12-05		
Burton G.W.	2235	S.W.	4611	257	20-11-05	17-9-07	Resigned to work
Burton G.	2246		4610	419	17-7-02		
Burton A.H.	2522	N	4611	219	18-6-01		
Burton W.	2598	S	4612	220	22-1-08	12-10-09	None for drink
Burton J.A.	2658		469	388	27-8-08	11-8-09	Resigned
Burton E.	2720	S.W.	4612	258	3-5-01		
Burton J.L.	2957	S.W.	4612	265	27-2-92	11-11-92	Resigned
Burton A.H.	3111	S.W.	4612	258	10-10-07	20-5-10	Resigned to S.D.
Burton G.	3301	2	4612	203	22-5-08	3-7-13	Discharged to S.D.
Burton J.F.	3451		4610	50	1-1-09	29-10-09	Resigned
Burton J.	3456	S.W.	4612	222	1-9-07		
Burton W.	3611		4611	204	20-3-92		
Burton G.	3716	S.W.	4612	20	11-6-07		
Burton G.	3800		4612	19	2-6-07		
Burton J.A.	3976		4610	258	28-7-07		
Burton W.D.	4127	S.W.	4612	205	2-7-06		

Included below is a list of the staff registers held by the Archives. These are subdivided into three categories:

1. Digitised, transcribed and indexed content available via Family History website Ancestry: <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=61362>
2. Indexed originals available for consultation in the Archives
3. Unindexed originals available for consultation in the Archives

If you contact the Archives at [corporatearchives@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:corporatearchives@tfl.gov.uk) staff will be happy to perform an initial search of indexed originals prior to a research visit.

There may be access restrictions to selected records on this list if containing personal data relating to living individuals. Please contact the Archives for further details.

Further details about our collections, including the records listed below, can be found by searching our online catalogue:

<http://www.tflcorporatearchivescatalogue.co.uk/CalmViewA/>

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## ACCIDENTS/SICKNESS

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000216	Power Generating Stations: Accident Reports	1907-1981
LT000159	London General Omnibus Company: Accident Record Books	1916-1935
LT000486/017	Railways accidents to staff	1934-1947
LT000493/053	Sick Leave and Sick Pay: Officers and Staff	1937-1938
LT000234/028	Staff Certified Unfit to Continue in Board's Employment	1938-1943
LT000531/022	London Passenger Transport Board: Register of accidents to bus staff, conductors and drivers	1947-1949
LT000201/003	Accidents - Staff Returns (London Transport Board: Chief Engineer's Department)	1949-1968

## ADMINISTRATIVE

Indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000756/001-002	London County Council: Traffic Audit and Mileage Section: Staff Records: Registers and an Index	1906-1935

## BIRTHDAY HONOURS

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000232/166	Staff Matters: General	1943-1959

## BUSES/TRAMS

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000105/008	London General Omnibus Company Ltd. Particulars of Men who have Joined His Majesty's Forces - Clerical and Mechanical Staff	1914-1921
LT000541/001	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Drivers' Agreements	1906
LT000292/001	London County Council Tramways (Northern System) Conductors Agreements	1906
LT000543/001	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Motormen's Agreements	1910-1911
LT001467/001	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Staff Registers – Drivers	c 1875-1920

Indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000917/001	London United Tramways Limited: Staff Register of Inspectors	1888-1920
LT000160/001	London General Omnibus Company L[t]d Conductors Register 2	1893-1914
LT000105/007	London General Omnibus Company Ltd. Staff records	1899-1911
LT000541/002-009	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Drivers' Agreements	1906-1923
LT000590	London Transport: Staff and Welfare Officer: Staff Record Cards	1906-1983
LT000543/002-038	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Motormen's Agreements	1911-1934
LT000292/018-046	London County Council Tramways (Northern System) Conductors Agreements	1915-1934
LT000562/011-012	Acquisition of independent undertakings: N-Z (acquired staff from the City Motor Omnibus Company Limited)	1934-1935
LT000516/012	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Agreement Book for Conductors at London Passenger Transport Board	1934-1935

## Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000105/001-006	London General Omnibus Company Ltd. Staff records	1913-1925
LT000292/002-016	London County Council Tramways (Northern System) Conductors Agreements	1906-1907
LT001352/001	London Road Car Company Ltd Staff Discipline Book	1906-1908
LT000449/077	London General Omnibus: Advertising Foreman's Fixers' Register	1927-1948
LT001467/002	London County Council Tramways (LCCT): Staff Registers – Conductors	c 1875-1920

## CLEANERS

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/056	Engine Cleaners, Cleaners and Firemen Staff Register	1865-1903

## JOINT COMMITTEES

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/007	Hammersmith and City Railway Joint Committee: Register of Appointed Staff	1869-1930
LT000449/014	Metropolitan and Great Central Joint Committee: Staff Register No. 1	circa 1870- circa 1930
LT000449/016	Metropolitan and Great Central Joint Committee: Station Staff Register No. 1	circa 1870- circa 1930
LT000449/074	Metropolitan & Great Western Railway: Aylesbury Joint Staff	1873-1906
LT000449/043	Metropolitan & District Railway: Joint Staff Register Eastern Joint Stations No. 2: Duplicate	1901-1915
LT000449/075	Metropolitan & District Railways: Duplicate Register of Joint Staff	1871- 1921
LT000449/076	Metropolitan & District Railways: Register of Joint Staff No.2	1871-1913
LT000449/035	Metropolitan and District Railways: Register of Joint Staff	1871- 1913

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/079	Metropolitan & District Railways: Duplicate Register of Joint Staff No.2	1887- 1923
LT000449/042	Metropolitan & District Railway: Joint Staff Register Eastern Joint Stations No.2	1901-1912
LT000449/078	Metropolitan & District Railways: Joint Staff Register Eastern Joint Stations: Duplicate No.1	1884-1912
LT000449/109	Metropolitan & District Railways: Joint Duplicate Register Clerks	1863-1885

**Indexed:**

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/012	Metropolitan and Great Central Joint Committee: Staff Register	1906- 1933

**Un-indexed:**

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000343/612	Metropolitan and Great Central Committee Staff Register	1906

## **LONDON AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION (LAP)**

**Un-indexed:**

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000623/004	Stores Checkers including London Aircraft Production (LAP) Staff	1933-1943
LT000350/001/012	Staff File	1942- 1945

## **RAIL**

### **Central London Railway**

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/033	Central London Railway: Register of Traffic Staff No.3	1900-1911
LT000449/032	Central London Railway: Register of Booking Clerks No.2	1900-1913



LT000449/095	Central London Railway: Register of Salaried Staff	1895-1912
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## City and South London Railway

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/025	City & South London Railway: Pay of All Grades	1890-1919

## District Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/108	District Railway Register of Staff	1870-1890
LT000449/037	District Railway: Drivers' and Firemen's Register Book No.2	1871-1886
LT000449/089	District Railway: Register of Clerks in General Manager's Office	1872-1904
LT000449/031	District Railway: Drivers' and Firemen's Register Book No.3	1884-1903
LT000449/036	District Railway: Register of Staff No.4	1901-1905
LT000449/038	District Railway: Register of Clerks No.4	1871-1909
LT000449/034	District Railway: Register of Clerks No.3	1876-1903

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000346/090/011	District Railway - Running Department - Pay bill	17 Dec 1904

## East London Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/091	East London Railway, Staff Register No.2	1917-1922
LT000449/092	East London Railway, Staff Register	1885-1922

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/093	East London Railway, Register of Uniform Staff No.1	1885-1935

## Great Northern & City Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/021	Great Northern & City Railway (GN&CR): Engineers Staff Register	1903-1913
LT000449/088	Great Northern & City Railway: Staff Register	1903-1913

## Hammersmith & City Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/029	Hammersmith & City Railway: Staff Register No. 1	1871-1922
LT000449/065	Hammersmith & City Railway: Staff Register	1885-1902
LT000449/039	Hammersmith & City Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.1	1883-1930

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/040	Hammersmith & City Railway: Register of Staff No.2	1931-1935

## Metropolitan Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/045	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Staff	1905-1917
LT000449/044	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniformed Staff No.7	1902- 1924
LT000449/063	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.3	1900-1930
LT000449/102	Metropolitan Railway: Booking Clerks' General Conduct Register	1893-1919
LT000449/103	Metropolitan Railway: Eastern and Western Joint Lines: Booking Clerks' General Conduct Register No.1	1876-1907
LT000449/110	Metropolitan Railway General Conduct Book	1876-1883
LT000449/098	Metropolitan Railway: General Conduct of Staff	1869-1876

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/099	Metropolitan Railway Staff Register	1863-1885
LT000449/085	Metropolitan Railway: Staff Register	1863-1928
LT000449/053	Metropolitan Railway: Staff Register	1863-1902
LT000449/047	Metropolitan Railway: Staff Book 1863	1863-1866
LT000449/052	Metropolitan Railway: Drivers' & Firemen's Register No.4	1864-1897
LT000449/072	Metropolitan Railway: Edgware Road Staff Register	1864- 1877
LT000449/049	Metropolitan Railway: Drivers' and Firemen's Register No.7	1868- 1919
LT000449/022	Metropolitan Railway: Motormen Staff Register	1874-1919
LT000449/084	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.3	1888-1931
LT000449/048	Metropolitan Railway: Motormen's Register No. 1	1897-1908
LT000449/041	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No. 14	1903- 1930
LT000449/067	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No. 13	1914-1932
LT000449/051	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Arrangements for Station Clerks	1890-1912
LT000449/066	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Trainmen No.2	1885-1924
LT000449/081	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Trainmen No.3	1917-1924
LT000449/083	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Trainmen No. 1	1871-1924
LT000449/111	Metropolitan Railway: Booking Clerks' General Conduct Register No.3	1875-1904
LT000449/112	Metropolitan Railway: Employees' Record	1875-1913

**Indexed:**

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/064	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No. 16	1927-1934
LT000449/086	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No. 10	1907-1934
LT000449/062	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No. 11	1910-1933

**Un-indexed:**

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/054	Metropolitan Railway: Staff Register of station clerks	1863-1933

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000815/016	Metropolitan Railway General Offices, Stations and Clerical Staff Register	1872-1933
LT000449/070	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.2	1882-1933
LT000449/061	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.4	1892-1931
LT000449/071	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.5	1897-1933
LT000449/069	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.8	1905-1934
LT000449/082	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.12	1912-1934
LT000449/060	Metropolitan Railway: Record of Alterations in Traffic Department No.4	1913-1915
LT000449/068	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.15	1919-1934
LT000449/087	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Uniform Staff No.17	1930-1935
LT000449/097	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Clerical Staff	1935-1939
LT000449/046	Metropolitan Railway: Booking Clerks' General Conduct Book	1875-1912
LT000449/080	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Clerical Staff No.5	1876-1934
LT000449/107	Metropolitan Railway: Register of Parcels Messengers No. 1	1914-1935

## Metropolitan District Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/017	Drivers Staff Register	1864-1891
LT000449/030	Metropolitan District Electric Traction Company: Drivers and Firemen's Register Book No.4	1902-1903

## Metropolitan and Great Western Railway

Digitised and indexed material available on Ancestry:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/073	Metropolitan & Great Western Railways: Duplicate Register of Guards, Assistant Guards and Conductors on Hammersmith and Kensington Addison Road Joint Train Service	1906-1914

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/057	Metropolitan & Great Western Railways: Register of Guards, Assistant Guards and Conductors on Hammersmith & Kensington Addison Road Joint Train Service, Duplicate No.2	1908-1913
LT000449/058	Metropolitan & Great Western Railways: Register of Guards, Assistant Guards and Conductors on Hammersmith & Kensington Addison Road Joint Train Service	1906-1932

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/059	Metropolitan & Great Western Railways Register of Guards, Assistant Guards and Conductors on Hammersmith and Kensington Addison Road Joint Train Service No.2	1908-1933

## RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION/DEATH

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000299	Chief Staff Officer: Reports and Correspondence on Pensions	1904-1965
LT000191	London Transport: Staff Superannuation Fund: Minute Books, Cash Books, Reports and Accounts	1912-1983
LT000191/023	Omnibus Railway and Equipment Companies' Staff Superannuation Register: Pension Fund	1913-1944

## STAFF MAGAZINES

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000030	Staff magazines	1914-1994

## UNIDENTIFIED

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000449/005	Wages Book	1916-1919
LT000449/008	Staff Register	nd

## VISITORS

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000045	London Passenger Transport Board (LPTB) and Successor: Chief Public Relations Officer: Visitor Books	1933-1965

## WAR

Indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000600/001	Rolling Stock Engineer, Road Services, War Service	1939-1945
LT000009	Ministry of Defence: 84th Anti-Aircraft Regiment - Royal Artillery Commissions	1938-1939

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000304/197/001	Memorial Service (WWI at 55 Broadway)	1925
LT001314	London Passenger Transport Board (LPTB): Department of the Operating Manager: Central Buses: Correspondence, Memoranda and Papers Concerning Staff Wartime Service	1938-1944
LT000233/407	National Service : Memoranda and reports	1940-1947
In glass case	World War II London Transport Memorial Book	1939-1945

## WOMEN/CHILDREN

Un-indexed:

Reference no.	Description	Dates
LT000304/104	Employment of women young persons & children	1935-1948

## RECORDS IN OTHER REPOSITORIES

If we are unable to be of assistance with your genealogical enquiry, you may wish to contact the following repositories which hold a small number of staff registers of TfL predecessor companies:

Repository	Contact Information	Nature of records
London Metropolitan Archives	020 7332 3820 40 Northampton Road London EC1R 0HB ask.lma@cityoflondon.gov.uk	Small number of bus and tram records and a larger number of Metropolitan Railway records
Newham Archives and Local Studies Library	<a href="https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Local-history-and-archives.aspx">https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Local-history-and-archives.aspx</a>	Early LGOC records