

ENLISTMENT CRITERIA - OFFICER CADET SHORT COURSE 26 (DIPLOMA)

1. **Basic Qualifications.**

- a. Citizenship: Should be a male citizen of Sri Lanka.
- b. Marital Status: Unmarried.
- c. Age: Not less than 18 years and not more than 23 years as at 01st October 2026.
- d. Height: Not less than 5'6" feet (167 cm).
- e. Weight: Not less than 52 kg (118 pounds).
- f. Chest: Not less than 32".
- g. Eyesight: Master eye 6/6 Other eye 6/9 (without spectacles and lenses).
- h. Body Mass Index (BMI): Between 18.5 kg/m² – 25 kg/m².

2. **Educational Qualifications.**

- a. Should have passed the GCE (A/L) Examination with three (03) Ordinary Passes (S) and obtained 30% marks for the Common General Test, in one (01) sitting and not more than three (03) attempts with "YES" for University Admission

and

- b. Should have passed eight (08) subjects (Including science) with five (05) Credit passes (C) in one sitting and not more than two attempts and obtained Credit passes (C) for English Language, Mathematics and Sinhala/Tamil Language in not more than two attempts at the GCE (O/L) examination or the candidates who have obtained an Ordinary Passes (S) for English at the GCE (O/L) will be considered if they have obtained a Credit pass (C) for English subject at the GCE (A/L) examination or possess any degree/diploma for English in NVQ Level - 4 or above offered by a university/institute recognized by the University Grants Commission (NVQ certificate should be submitted)

or

- c. An equivalent result obtained at an Internationally Recognized Examination (**Pearson Edexcel, GCSE, GCE and Cambridge or any other**) as recognized by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka as equivalents to the GCE (O/L) and GCE (A/L) Examinations, in Sri Lanka (including compulsory subjects above).

3 **Other Qualifications.** Sports, Leadership and other achievements (District, Provincial, National and International Levels), and Proficiency in other languages (In addition to Sinhala and English) will be considered as an added qualifications.

4. Duly completed applications should be submitted under registered post to reach the **Directorate of Personnel Administration, Sri Lanka Army Headquarters, Defence Headquarters Complex, Akuregoda Road, Battaramulla.** The applications are open until **19th June 2026.** The application can be downloaded from the www.army.lk/officers Sri Lanka Army official website.