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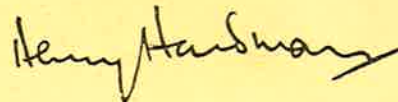
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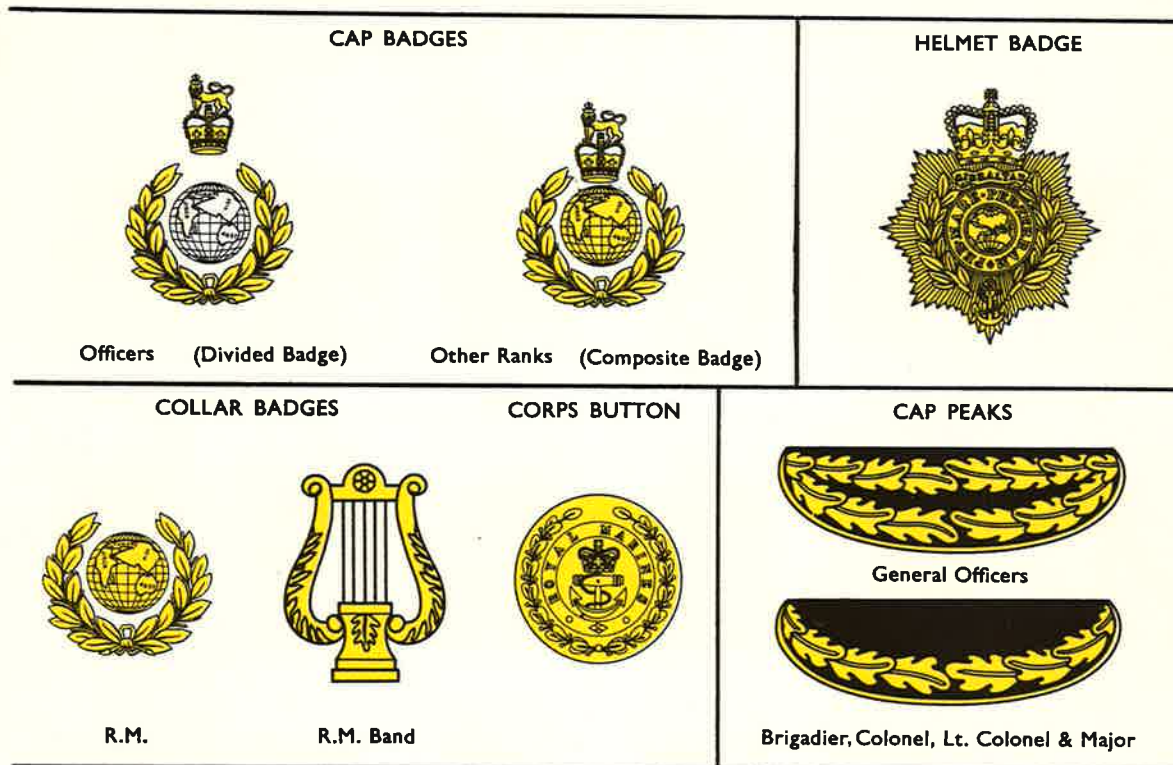
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DIAGRAM 4—ROYAL MARINES



OFFICERS' RANK BADGES

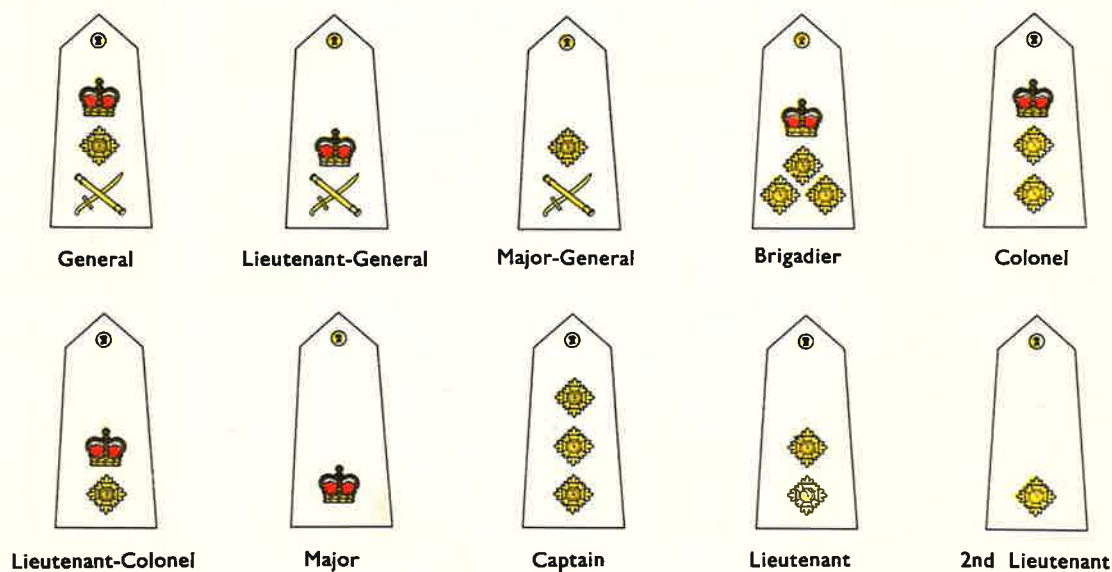


DIAGRAM 4—ROYAL MARINES (Cont)

RANK BADGES



R.S.M.



Q.M.S.

Provost
SergeantColour Sergeant
(for blue dress)

(for other dress)



Sergeant



Corporal



Lance Corporal

Staff
BandmasterBandmaster,
Portsmouth,
Plymouth &
R.M.S.M. Staff Bands

Bandmaster



Drum Major



Bugle Major

Good Conduct
Badges

BRANCH BADGES

Radio Technician
(Light)Other
Tradesmen

Bugler



Band Ranks

SPECIALIST QUALIFICATION AND SKILL BADGES

(For crowns and stars worn with these badges see chapter 6)

Drill &
Platoon Weapons

Gunnery



Driver



Signaller



Physical Training



King's Badge

LETTERS IN WREATH



| | |
|----|------------------|
| AE | Assault Engineer |
| C | Clerk |
| CL | Cliff Leader |
| HW | Heavy Weapons |
| K | Cook |
| LC | Landing Craft |
| MP | Provost |
| SC | Swimmer Canoeist |



Marksman



Sniper



Parachutist

PLATE 9

R.M. OFFICERS



No. 1 Dress
No. 4 Dress: (with cap)



No. 5 Dress



No. 8 Dress

PLATE 10

R.M. OFFICERS



Nos. 2, 6 & 7 Dresses



No. 13 Dress



No. 11 Dress



No. 1W Dress
No. 4W Dress: (with cap)



No. 8W/9W Dress



Nos. 2W & 6W Dresses
No. 7 Dress: (Scarlet kamar-
band instead of waistcoat)



No. 12 Dress



No. 1 Dress
No. 2 Dress: (with cap and without
white gloves)



No. 3 Dress: (white belt)
No. 4 Dress: (cloth belt)



No. 3A Dress: (or with sleeves rolled up
and white belt and without tie)

PLATE 13

R.M. OTHER RANKS



No. 8 Dress



No. 8A Dress
No. 12 Dress: (with web belt and short
puttees)



No. 11 Dress

PLATE 14

R.M. OTHER RANKS



No. 6 Dress



No. 7 Dress



No. 10 Dress
No. 10B Dress: with sandals and blue
or Corps pattern belt

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Royal Marines Officers

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ORDERS OF DRESS AND OCCASIONS ON WHICH WORN

0501. TABLE OF DRESSES. Numbers are assigned to the Dresses for convenience when referring to them, and so far as practicable the titles and numbers correspond with the equivalent naval officers' Dresses. For the Orders of Dress to be worn at Court functions, or at Joint Services functions when members of the Royal Family are present, see the Joint Services Ceremonial Dress Table (Appendix 2).

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|
| General Officers | | | |
| No. 1 FULL DRESS | (i) <i>Ceremonial</i> Cap Army pattern tunic Overalls Wellington boots and spurs Gold shoulder cords Waist sash Ceremonial sword and sling White wash-leather gloves | Major inter-Service ceremonial, when Flag officers wear ceremonial day coats and the army No. 1 Dress (Ceremonial) and on special occasions within the Corps. | a. On certain occasions for indoor ceremonies at which the sword would be an incumbrance, No. 1 Dress (Ceremonial) may be ordered without sword. On such occasions the sword belt should continue to be worn, with the slings hooked together. |
| | (ii) <i>Non-Ceremonial</i> Cap Blue R.M. tunic Overalls Wellington boots and spurs Sam Browne belt Infantry sword with leather scabbard Blue lanyard Brown cape gloves White shirt and collar and black tie. | On appropriate occasions of inter-Service ceremonial. On normal occasions of ceremonial within the Corps. | |
| Below General Officer | | | |
| | MAJORS AND ABOVE Cap Blue R.M. tunic Overalls Wellington boots and spurs Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard Blue lanyard Brown cape gloves White shirt and collar and black tie. | Ceremonial parades Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 4 Dress is not sufficient. | b. White helmet to be worn by Brigadiers and below when ordered. c. Band officers to wear the blue cloth cape on parade with bands on appropriate occasions and, when ordered, the frock coat, sash and cap, in place of the cloth tunic and white helmet. d. All Band officers may wear wellington boots. e. Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs. |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|-------|---|--------------------|-------|
| | BAND OFFICERS White helmet Full Dress cloth tunic Blue trousers Boots (officer pattern) Waist sash Full Dress sword belt and knot Sword with steel scabbard White wash-leather gloves OTHER OFFICERS Cap Blue R.M. tunic Blue trousers Boots (officer pattern) Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard Blue lanyard Brown cape gloves White shirt and collar and black tie. | | |

Orders, Decorations and Medals (all officers)

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| | Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders Up to 2 neck decorations Medals | | |
| No. 2 BALL DRESS | Scarlet mess jacket Blue mess waistcoat Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie MAJORS AND ABOVE Overalls Wellington boots and spurs OTHER OFFICERS Blue trousers Black shoes Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders One neck decoration Miniature medals | Official or public balls, dinners and evening receptions of a formal nature. | <p><i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs.</p> <p><i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is evening dress with decorations. This dress should be ordered in preference to No. 6 Dress when civilians who may possess stars of Orders or neck decorations are being entertained officially.</p> |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| No. 4 BLUE DRESS | Cap Blue R.M. tunic Blue trousers Boots (officer pattern) Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard. Blue lanyard Brown cape gloves White shirt and collar and black tie Up to 2 stars of Orders One neck decoration Medals | Inspections by senior officers. Investitures Funerals (unless regarded as state occasions). Memorial services Courts martial Social occasions in uniform. Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 5 or No. 8 Dress is not sufficient. Joint Services functions and launchings when R.N. Officers wear No. 5 Dress. Formal calls on H.M. Ships. | <i>a.</i> Blue cloth belt and shoes to be worn when this dress is worn for social occasions <i>b.</i> Swords and stars, decorations and medals may be omitted when ordered, and are not to be worn for Investitures. <i>c.</i> R.M. Band Officers to wear blue cloth cape on parade with bands on appropriate occasions. |
| No. 5 LOVAT DRESS | Beret Lovat tunic Lovat trousers Sam Browne belt Sword or Cane as ordered. Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units Khaki shirt, collar and tie Medal ribbons | Ordinary occasions of duty and ceremony ashore and afloat when No. 8 Dress is not sufficient. Informal visits to H.M. Ships | <i>a.</i> Band officers to wear the cap on appropriate occasions with bands. <i>b.</i> A lovat forage cap may be worn by Colonels and above on appropriate occasions <i>c.</i> Shoes may be worn instead of boots when not on parade with troops. |
| No. 6 MESS DRESS | As for No. 2 Ball Dress, except that Broad ribbands, Stars of Orders and Neck decorations are not worn. | Mess dinners and evening dances and entertainments, unless No. 2 Dress is ordered. | <i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs. <i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is evening dress without decorations. |
| No. 7 MESS UNDRESS | Scarlet mess jacket Blue mess waistcoat Blue trousers Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie Black shoes Miniature medals | Ordinary evening wear ashore and afloat. | <i>a.</i> Soft evening shirt and collar may be worn as an alternative to stiff on appropriate occasions. <i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is dinner jacket (without decorations). |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|---|--|--|--|
| No. 8 LOVAT UNDRESS | Beret Lovat tunic Lovat trousers Cane Black shoes Cloth belt Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units Khaki shirt, collar and tie Medal ribbons | Routine duties and training when not on parade with troops. | A lovat forage cap may be worn by Colonels and above on appropriate occasions. |
| No. 11 COMBAT DRESS | Beret Combat smock Combat trousers Web anklets Composition-soled boots Blue lanyard, with whistle Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units. | For operations and on appropriate occasions of instruction or military training in temperate climates. | <p><i>a.</i> Steel helmet or hood worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Associated items of combat clothing and web equipment worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Short khaki puttees worn as an alternative to anklets when ordered.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Army pattern boots may be ordered as an alternative to composition-soled.</p> |
| No. 13 LOVAT SHIRT SLEEVE ORDER | Beret Khaki shirt Lovat trousers Cane Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units. | Routine duties during warm weather in place of Nos. 5 and 8 Dresses. | <p><i>a.</i> White web belt to be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Collar to be worn open and sleeves rolled up when on duty with troops.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Khaki tie and black shoes may be worn when not on duty with troops.</p> <p><i>d.</i> In normal circumstances, when it is necessary for any officer to leave the camp or barracks in shirt sleeve order he will wear a tie and roll down his sleeves, but at Senior Officer's discretion, tie may be omitted and sleeves rolled up.</p> |

In Hot Climates

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|---|--|--------------------|--|
| No. 1W FULL DRESS KHAKI DRILL | Cap Khaki drill tunic Khaki drill trousers Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Khaki shirt, collar and tie Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders Up to 3 neck decorations Medals | As for No. 1 Dress | White helmet worn when ordered. |
| No. 2W WHITE BALL DRESS | White mess jacket White mess waistcoat Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie MAJORS AND ABOVE Overalls Wellington boots and spurs OTHER OFFICERS Blue trousers Black shoes Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders One neck decoration Miniature medals | As for No. 2 Dress | <p><i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs.</p> <p><i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is evening dress with decorations. This dress should be ordered in preference to No. 6W Dress when civilians who may possess stars of Orders or neck decorations are being entertained.</p> |
| No. 4W KHAKI DRILL | As for No. 1W, Full Dress, except that the Orders and Decorations are limited to: Up to 2 stars of Orders One neck decoration Medals | As for No. 4 Dress | <p><i>a.</i> Swords and stars, decorations and medals may be omitted when ordered, and are not to be worn for Investitures.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Black shoes may be worn instead of boots when this Dress is worn for social occasions.</p> |

| DRRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|--|---|---|--|
| No. 5 KHAKI DRILL UNDRESS | Cap Khaki drill tunic Khaki drill trousers Sam Browne belt Sword or Cane as ordered Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Khaki shirt, collar and tie Medal ribbons | As for No. 5 Dress | <p><i>a.</i> Medals may be ordered to be worn instead of medal ribbons.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Black shoes may be worn in place of boots when not on parade or wearing a sword.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Khaki bush jacket may be worn as an alternative to the tunic by Lieutenant-Colonels and above.</p> |
| No. 6W WHITE MESS DRESS | As for No. 2W, White Ball Dress, except that Broad Riband, Stars of Orders and Neck decorations are not worn. | As for No. 6 Dress | <p><i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs.</p> <p><i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is evening dress without decorations.</p> |
| No. 7W WHITE MESS UNDRESS | White mess jacket Scarlet kamarband Blue trousers Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie Black shoes Miniature medals | As for No. 7 Dress | <p><i>a.</i> Soft evening shirt and collar may be worn as an alternative to stiff on appropriate occasions.</p> <p><i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is dinner jacket (without decorations).</p> |
| No. 8W AND No. 9W TROPICAL DRESS | Cap Khaki shirt Khaki shorts Cane Khaki stockings Sam Browne belt Short khaki puttees Boots Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) and Coloured garter tabs for officers of Commando units. | Routine duties ashore and afloat in hot climates. | <p><i>a.</i> Beret may be worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Corps pattern belt may be worn in place of Sam Browne belt at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Officer or army pattern or composition-soled boots as ordered. Black shoes or sandals may be worn when ordered in place of boots and puttees, except when on parade with troops.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Khaki bush jacket may be worn as an alternative to the shirt by Lieutenant-Colonels and above.</p> |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|--|--|---|--|
| No. 10W TROPICAL MESS UNDRESS | White tropical shirt Blue trousers Scarlet kamarband Black shoes | Optional Dress for informal evening wear in hot climates at the discretion of the Senior Officer. | |
| No. 11W TROPICAL COMBAT DRESS | Beret Khaki shirt Denim trousers Boots Web belt Short khaki puttees Blue lanyard and whistle Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units. | For operations and on appropriate occasions of instruction or military training in hot climates. | <p>a. Denison smock and/or jersey pullover may be worn as ordered.</p> <p>b. Army pattern or composition-soled boots as ordered.</p> <p>c. Additional equipment to be worn as ordered.</p> |

0502. DRESS WHEN SERVING WITH R.N. OR OTHER SERVICES. Royal Marines Officers will conform when possible to the number of the Dress ordered for the Royal Navy. When serving with other Services they are to wear the nearest appropriate Dress.

0503. ACTION/WORKING DRESS. R.M. Young Officers under training in the Dartmouth Squadron and R.M. Officers serving in the Amphibious Warfare Squadron or associated with landing craft in Commando ships may wear blue action/working dress shirts and trousers on appropriate occasions. These items will be provided on a loan basis when required, either by the Infantry Training Centre, R.M., or from ships' stocks. The scale is not to exceed two sets per entitled officer.

0504. KHAKI GABARDINE SERVICE DRESS, in the form specially prescribed for this purpose, is provided as a summer working uniform for certain officers appointed for service in the United States of America and Canada, in accordance with the instructions in the *Victualling Manual*. It is not to be worn in other circumstances.

0505. SWORDS. Officers not in possession of sword and scabbard are not required to provide them at present.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF UNIFORM WHICH MAY BE WORN

0506. GREATCOAT AND MACKINTOSH. To be worn as ordered or appropriate. Lieutenant-Colonels and above may wear British warm instead of greatcoat with Lovat Dress on appropriate occasions.

0507. GLOVES. Brown cape gloves are to be worn as follows (except where white gloves are specified in the Dress Table):

- a. In U.K. always with swords.
- b. In U.K. from 1st October to 30th April, in all orders of ceremonial, drill and working dresses.
- c. On foreign stations in accordance with local orders.

0508. AIGUILLETES. Naval type aiguillettes are to be worn by the following Royal Marines Officers in the same manner as prescribed for Naval Officers (Art. 0309) and with equivalent dresses:

a. Aides-de-Camp to the Queen, Equerries and Extra Equerries to the Queen or to members of the Royal Family, and Aides-de-Camp to Governors General.

b. Aides-de-Camp to General Officers, Royal Marines Officers appointed as Flag Lieutenants and Aides-de-Camp to Governors or Lieutenant Governors.

2. Officers at *a.* wear aiguillettes as for Aides-de-Camp to the Queen ('Palace' type) and those at *b.* as for Flag Lieutenants ('Staff' type).

3. Aiguillette shoulder straps are not to be worn by Royal Marines officers. In Mess Dresses, for officers below the rank of Colonel, the aiguillette is to be supported by a scarlet cloth shoulder strap of the same material as the jacket. In other Dresses the shoulder strap of the garment is to be used, modified by the addition of a button to which the aiguillette cord is affixed.

0509. ROYAL CYPHERS. Royal Marines Aides-de-Camp to the Queen and Equerries and Extra Equerries to the Queen or to members of the Royal Family are to wear the royal cypher and crown, in one piece, below their badges of rank; letters 'R.M.' are not worn. In Mess Dresses Equerries and Extra Equerries wear the royal cypher and crown on shoulder straps of self material.

2. The full-sized badge, in either dull silver metal or gilt metal, is worn as follows:

On full dress tunic, blue serge tunic, Atholl grey greatcoat, scarlet mess jacket and white mess jacket—dull silver.

On lovat tunic, khaki tunic, bush jacket, khaki shirt (in Tropical Dress), khaki greatcoat and British warm—gilt.

3. Ex-Aides-de-Camp to the Queen wear the badge similarly but in miniature. Aides-de-Camp to the Queen who vacate the appointment on promotion to the substantive rank of Major General are, however, to cease wearing the badge.

0510. ADJUTANTS' DRESS. Officers appointed as Adjutants at R.M. Barracks, Eastney; Depot, Royal Marines and the Infantry Training Centre are to wear breeches, field boots and spurs with Lovat Dress on appropriate occasions.

0511. BOAT CLOAK may be worn optionally with all orders of evening dress.

0512.-0514.

DETAILS OF UNIFORM

0515. GENERAL OFFICERS. Articles of uniform for General Officers are of Corps pattern with the following modifications:

a. Greatcoat. Army pattern, Atholl grey. In Lovat Dress either a British warm or Corps pattern greatcoat may be worn.

b. Tunic. In No. 1 Full Dress (Ceremonial) a blue tunic with stand-up collar (Army pattern No. 1) is worn. The accessories for wear with this Dress comprise gold shoulder cords with silver-embroidered rank badges, crimson and gold waist sash, dress sword with metal scabbard, crimson and gold sword knot, gold sword slings, plain white wash leather gloves. All buttons $\frac{3}{4}$ in.

c. Badges and Buttons. The same cap/beret badges and badges of rank as prescribed for Army General Officers. Letters 'R.M.' not worn. Except where otherwise stated, Corps buttons are worn.

d. Gorget Patches. Scarlet patches with gold oak leaf embroidery and small General Officer's button are worn with all orders of dress other than Combat Dress and Mess Dress as follows:

(i) Blue lovat and khaki drill tunics—Patches to be $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. long and $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, triangular at the points and shaped to fit the collar.

- (ii) Bush jackets and shirts—Similar in design to (i), but 2 in. long to the point and 1 in. wide. Worn horizontally on each side of the opening of the collar, point to the rear, the top of the patch being $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the top of the collar.

e. Caps

- (i) White-plastic-topped, Corps pattern, but with gold-embroidered oak leaves all round the peak.
- (ii) Lovat forage cap—pattern as sealed. Similar in design to the Army khaki forage cap but made from lovat material. To be provided as an optional item and worn on appropriate occasions in lovat uniform in place of the beret.

f. Scarlet Mess Jacket. Fitted with blue cloth shoulder straps edged with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. oak-leaf pattern gold lace and fastened at point with small General Officer's button. Silver-embroidered rank badges on shoulder straps. Corps insignia (Art. 0528) on each lapel.

g. White Mess Jacket. Fitted with white drill shoulder straps fastened at point with small General Officer's button. Anodised rank badges on shoulder straps. Corps insignia as *f*.

h. Blue Trousers and Overalls. Scarlet cloth stripe $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide in place of $\frac{1}{4}$ in. welt.

0516. BRIGADIERS AND COLONELS. Articles of uniform for Brigadiers and Colonels are of Corps pattern with the following modifications:

a. Greatcoat. As for General Officers.

b. Badges and Buttons. The same cap/beret badges and badges of rank as prescribed for Army Brigadiers and Colonels. Letters 'R.M.' not worn. Except where otherwise stated, Corps buttons are worn.

c. Gorget Patches. As for General Officers, except that crimson gimp cord is used instead of gold oak-leaf embroidery and 'E. II R. with Garter Emblem' buttons instead of General Officers' buttons.

d. Caps

- (i) White-plastic-topped, Corps pattern, but with gold embroidered oak leaves round the front of the peak.
- (ii) Lovat forage cap—As for General Officers.

e. Mess Jacket. As for General Officers, except that shoulder straps are edged with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. staff pattern gold lace and fastened at the points with small E. II R. with Garter Emblem buttons.

f. Tropical Mess Jacket. As for General Officers, but with E. II R. with Garter Emblem buttons for shoulder straps.

g. Blue Trousers and Overalls. Scarlet cloth stripe $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide in place of $\frac{1}{4}$ in. welt.

0517. COLONELS COMMANDANT AND HONORARY COLONELS. On special occasions, Colonels Commandant of the Royal Marines and Honorary Colonels of the R.M.F.V.R. may wear Corps uniform with badges of rank of Colonel instead of the uniform of their rank. For retired General Officers and equivalent officers from other Services this optional dress will be General Officers' uniform with Colonel's badges of rank.

0518. BAND OFFICERS. Articles of uniform for officers of the R.M. Band Service are of Corps pattern with the following modifications:

a. Blue Trousers and Overalls. Scarlet cloth stripe $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide in place of $\frac{1}{4}$ in. welt.

b. Helmet Badge. Officers of Group Bands wear the same special insignia on helmet badges (only) as Other Ranks of these bands (Art. 0629.2. and 3.).

c. Cape. A blue cloth Admiralty Constabulary pattern cape, modified by fitting a turndown collar trimmed with gold lace, gilded metal lion head and chain neck fastening and scarlet lining, is provided for wear on appropriate occasions as shown in the Dress Table.

d. Full Dress. The following are worn with No. 1 Full Dress as appropriate (see Dress Table):
either:

- (i) Blue cloth tunic with stand-up collar (pre-War full dress pattern). The accessories for wear with this Dress comprise gold shoulder cords with silver-embroidered rank badges, crimson waist sash, dress sword with metal scabbard, gold sword knot and sword slings, plain white wash leather gloves; *or*
 - (ii) Blue frock coat with stand-up collar, and crimson sash.
- e. Royal Yacht.* White drill uniform is worn by Band officers in the Royal Yacht on appropriate occasions as for other Band ranks (Art. 0609).

0519. OTHER OFFICERS. Brief descriptions of uniform items are given below. For those marked ¶ more detailed descriptions are in Appendix 3. Items marked † are available from Service sources.

0520. DESCRIPTIONS OF UNIFORM ITEMS

1. **Battledress, Khaki.** † Obsolescent. As for Other Ranks, i.e. Army 1949 pattern khaki serge, but the collar of the blouse faced with self material.
2. **Boat Cloak.** Blue cloth, lined crimson. To button four. Lion head fastening and chain at neck. Two pockets inside. Collar 2 in. stand, $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. fall. To be of a length to reach 2 in. above the knee.
3. **Boots**
 - a. Black Leather Ankle Boots.* Laced. Plain toe-cap. Leather soled.
 - b. Wellington Boots,* without toe-caps or straps, to be worn as ordered.
 - c. Field Boots* for Adjutants to be black leather, Army pattern.
4. **Breeches** for Adjutants. Sand-coloured parade pantaloons. Bedford cord, with yellow buckskin strappings. Cut for walking. No pockets. Lapped side seams with two buttons at bottom of seam.
5. **British Warm.** Army pattern. Cloth coat. Light khaki colour. Double-breasted. Leather buttons, to button three. Length to knee. Vent at back. Shoulder straps.
6. **Bush Jacket.** Khaki drill. Single breasted. To button four. Open at neck, with polo collar. Four pockets with flaps. Vent at bottom of each side seam. Long sleeves to button at cuff, or may be rolled up, or short sleeves to elbow, at option of wearer. Shoulder straps.
7. **Cane.** Malacca cane covered with dark brown leather stitched along the length and turned into rounded ends. Overall length 24 in. Overall thickness $\frac{3}{4}$ in.
- ¶8. **Cap.** † Peaked cap with scarlet band, white plastic top, chin strap. Peak plain, except for Majors and Lieutenant-Colonels, who have gold-embroidered oak leaves round the front of the peak.
9. **Collars** †
 - a. With Blue Uniform*—Plain white stiff collar: naval pattern, Style 1.
 - b. With Evening Dress*—Stiff, white, wing collar *or* plain *or* marcella soft white evening collar, *or* collar-attached evening shirt, as required.
10. **Gloves.** † Plain brown cape. One or two buttons.
- ¶11. **Greatcoat.** Army universal pattern (except that the two rows of front buttons are 11 in. apart at the top instead of 8 in.) Cloth. Khaki drab mixture. Double-breasted. To button four. Length 12 in. from the ground. Shoulder straps. Vent and half belt at back.
12. **Kamarband.** † Scarlet silk barathea. $5\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep at the front centre. Plain. Fastened at the back with two buckles and buckle straps.
13. **Lanyard, Blue.** † Officers' pattern. Braid: rayon on cotton core. Loop and Turk's head knot. Metal hook and sliding ring. Length of lanyard not less than 34 in. To be worn looped over the left shoulder. The running end is to be passed into the left side of the breast pocket and not allowed to hang loosely in a bight. The whistle is worn on the lanyard.

14. **Mackintosh.**† Army pattern. Khaki rubber-proofed double fabric. Single-breasted to button five. Plain buttons. Fly-front. Loose belt with single-prong leather-covered buckle. Collar stand with all-round fall. Two patch hip pockets with flaps; ticket pocket in left forepart facing. Fitted with strap and buckle fastening for additional closing of the fronts. Two-piece back with vent, fitted with a saddle flap on the inside. Set-in sleeves with wind-cuffs. No shoulder straps or badges.

15. **Mess Jackets**

a. *Scarlet Mess Jacket.* Scarlet cloth with blue cloth cuffs $3\frac{3}{8}$ in. deep and blue roll-collar. No shoulder straps. Four gilt metal buttons with silver mounted Lion and Crown down the front; dummy button holes. Miniature badges of rank and miniature Corps collar badges in gilding metal or anodised on each side of the collar.

b. *White Mess Jacket.*† White drill. Same pattern as scarlet mess jacket and with the same type of badges.

16. **Mess Waistcoats**

a. *Blue.* Blue cloth. Plain roll collar. Four small gilt metal buttons with mounted Lion and Crown in silver. Pocket each side.

b. *White.*† White drill as for white mess jacket. Same pattern as blue mess waistcoat.

17. **Royal Cyphers.** The royal cypher, surmounted by a crown, in dull silver metal or gilt metal as required. Dimensions (overall): Full size $1\frac{3}{10}$ in. high, $1\frac{3}{10}$ in. wide; Miniature $\frac{4}{5}$ in. high, $\frac{1}{2}\frac{9}{10}$ in. wide.

18. **Shirts**†

a. *With Blue Uniform.* Plain, soft-fronted white shirt with double or stiff cuffs.

b. *With Lovat and Khaki Uniform.* Khaki cotton twill shirt with attached collar. (The same pattern as for Other Ranks.)

c. *With Evening Dresses.* Either:

(i) Stiff-fronted evening shirt with two visible stud holes, gold studs, stiff winged collar, or
(ii) Soft ribbed or marcella front and cuffs with soft turned down collar of similar pattern, as indicated under the various Dresses in the Dress Table.

(iii) The white tropical shirt worn in No. 10W Dress is to be of naval officers' pattern but with shoulder straps, secured by small anodised Corps buttons.

19. **Shoes**

a. *Black Leather Shoes.* Laced. Plain toe-cap.†

b. *Shoes for Evening Wear.* Either the regulation black leather type with toe-cap or black Oxford patent leather with plain front.

20. **Socks**†

a. *With Blue Uniform and Evening Dresses.* Plain black socks.

b. *With Lovat and Khaki Uniform.* Plain khaki socks.

21. **Spurs**

a. *With Overalls and Wellington Boots.* Box type ceremonial.

b. *With Field Boots (Adjutants).* Light hunting army pattern with black strap and shield.

22. **Sword.** Hilt: steel, half basket, pierced with scroll design and royal cypher and crown chased; black fish-skin grip, bound with three strands of silver wire, back chequered to pommel, with flat part near guard for the thumb. Straight blade, grooved and spear pointed. Blade, full size: $32\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, 1 in. wide at the shoulder. Hilt: total length $5\frac{3}{8}$ in. to $5\frac{7}{8}$ in. Grip: total length, 5 in. to $5\frac{3}{4}$ in. to suit size of hand. Weight approximately 2 lb. 2 oz. without scabbard. Leather scabbard of army pattern.

23. **Sword belt, Brace, Frog and Knot.**† Sam Browne army pattern. Brown leather with brass fittings. Field and mounted officers to wear the sword knot long, other officers to wear it short, i.e. wrapped around the guard tightly seven times. The sword frog is to be worn on all occasions when the Sam Browne belt and brace are worn.

24. Ties

- a. *With Blue Uniform.* Plain black, naval pattern (Art. 0428.36).†
- b. *With Lovat and Khaki Uniforms.* Light khaki braided.
- c. *With Evening Dresses.* Plain black double-ended bow tie.†

25. Trousers

- ¶a. *Blue.* Serge. $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide scarlet welt down each side seam. Plain bottoms.
- b. *Dress overall trousers.* As a., but shaped to the leg, with band under foot.
- ¶c. *Lovat.* Solid wool worsted serge. For wear with or without braces. Bottoms plain but shaped.
- d. *Khaki drill.*† Vat dyed, mercerised drill. (Same material as for Other Ranks). Cut to the pattern of the blue serge trousers but self-supporting, and without welt.
- e. *Khaki gabardine.*† Worsted gabardine. Pleated. Self-supporting, with waistband extension fastening. Bottoms plain but shaped.

26. Tunics

- ¶a. *Blue.* Single-breasted. To button four. Step collar. Two cross-patch breast pockets and two bellows pockets, all with flaps. Pointed cuffs with two small uniform buttons on outside seam. Military skirt with vent. Shoulder straps. Detachable cloth belt, 2 in. wide, with anodised buckle.
- b. *Lovat.* As a., but in solid worsted serge. Belt of same material, with bronze buckle.
- c. *Khaki drill.*† As a., but in vat-dyed, mercerised drill (as trousers), without cuff buttons and without any belt. Buttonholes and eyelets worked for buttons and badges, all detachable. Detachable waist-hooks supported by straps.
- d. *Khaki gabardine.*† As a., but in khaki worsted gabardine. Belt of same material, with gilt metal buckle. Detachable waisthooks supported by straps. Buttonholes and eyelets worked for buttons and badges, all detachable.

27. The following items are of the same pattern as for R.M. Other Ranks, and are described in Art. 0625:

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| Anklets, web | Denim overalls | Lanyards, coloured |
| Belts, web and Corps pattern | Combat clothing | Puttees |
| Beret | Garter tabs, coloured | Shorts, khaki |
| Boots, leather soled (army pattern) and composition soled. | Helmet, white Wolseley | Stockings, khaki |
| | Jersey pullover | Whistle (but not thong) |

28. The following items are of naval pattern:

- Aiguillettes (Art. 0317.1.)
- Sandals (Art. 0428.27.).
- Trunk, steel (Art. 0317.33.).

0521. OBSOLESCENT UNIFORM. During the period of transition to Lovat (1st April 1964 to 31st March 1966), the following dresses may be worn:

- a. *Khaki Battledress*, with khaki shirt and tie and black boots or brown shoes—As an alternative to Lovat Undress when not on parade.
- b. *Blue Battledress*, with R.M. flashes and with rank insignia as for blue uniform, black boots or shoes, white shirt and collar, black tie—As an alternative to Lovat Undress by officers serving in Landing Craft.
- c. *Blue Working Dress*—Blue serge tunic and trousers, white shirt and collar, black tie, black boots or shoes as appropriate, Sam Browne, cane—As an alternative to Lovat Undress when not on parade.
- d. *Khaki poplin, flannel or cellular shirts*—On appropriate occasions, except with Lovat Dresses, as an alternative to the new pattern khaki shirt.
- e. *Khaki Service Dress and Khaki Forage Cap*—As an alternative to Lovat Undress when not on parade.

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f. Brown Shoes—As an alternative to black boots with khaki service dress or battledress.

NOTE. When battledress is worn in lieu of Loyal Undress, medal ribbons may be worn on the blouse.

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BADGES AND BUTTONS

0525. CAP/BERET BADGE. The Corps badge is in two parts: a globe in a laurel wreath and a lion on a crown: the globe in silver, remainder anodised. The beret badge worn with Combat Dress (only) is similar but in bronze. The manner of wearing on cap and beret is as shown in Art. 0628.3.

2. The Corps badge is worn by all officers below Colonel. The Army pattern badge is worn by Colonels and Brigadiers (lion and crown) and General Officers (crossed sword and baton in wreath surmounted by a crown).

0526. HELMET PLATE. Officers' pattern. Gilding metal eight-pointed star with dead and bright rays with crown above. On the star a gilding metal laurel wreath and saw-pierced garter with regimental motto 'Per Mare Per Terram'; above the garter a scroll 'Gibraltar' and below it an anchor; in the centre a silver globe; under the saw-pierced garter, blue enamel. The plate is to be worn with the bottom central ray fitted halfway over the leather band.

NOTE. This type of badge is not in production at present. Requirements on a temporary loan basis for ceremonial are met as far as possible from a small pool of these badges controlled by the Major-Generals, Portsmouth and Plymouth. If necessary the Other Ranks' badge may be worn.

0527. COLLAR BADGE. Silver globe in anodised laurel wreath *or* the same badge in bronze. Worn centrally on the step of the collar of blue, lovat and khaki tunics. Worn in miniature on each lapel of the mess jacket, both scarlet and white, with the centre of the badge $7\frac{1}{4}$ in. below the neck point of the shoulder seam, by officers below the rank of Colonel.

0528. CORPS INSIGNIA. The Corps Badge (Globe, Laurel, Lion and Crown), embroidered in gold, is worn by Colonels and above on each lapel of the mess jacket, both scarlet and white, with the centre of the globe 9 in. below the neck point of the shoulder seam.

0529. LETTERS 'R.M.' Block letters. Size $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Worn in the centre of the shoulder straps below badges of rank and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. above the shoulder seam. Not worn on mess jackets, battledress blouses or Band officers' full dress and frock coats or in any dress by Colonels and above.

0530. BUTTONS

1. *a.* Corps button. As for other ranks (Art. 0632).

b. Lion and Crown button. Raised round button with mounted lion and crown in silver. Worn on caps, mess jackets and mess waistcoats.

c. E. II R. with Garter Emblem button. Raised round button with the cypher 'E. II R.' in the Garter emblem. Worn by Colonels and Brigadiers on gorget patches and the shoulder straps of mess jackets.

d. General Officers' button. Raised round button with the Royal Coat-of-Arms. Worn by General Officers on gorget patches and the shoulder straps of mess jackets.

2. *Sizes of button.* Tunic and greatcoat foreparts 1 in. Pockets, cuffs and shoulder straps of tunics and greatcoats and forepart of mess jackets $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Cap, mess waistcoat, gorget patches and shoulder straps of Senior Officers' mess jackets $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

0531. RANK BADGES are worn on shoulder straps, where fitted. On the mess jackets of Officers below Colonel they are worn on both lapels, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the Corps badge. On shirts (in orders of dress which do not include a tunic or jacket), smocks (combat, denison, etc.) and battledress blouses worsted badges on a scarlet background are worn, a removable khaki sleeve being used except for battledress.

2. The badges to be worn are: Second Lieutenant—1 star; Lieutenant—2 stars; Captain—3 stars; Major—crown; Lieutenant Colonel—crown and 1 star; Colonel—crown and 2 stars; Brigadier—crown and 3 stars; Major General—crossed sword and baton, star above; Lieutenant General—crossed sword and baton, crown above; General—crossed sword and baton, crown and star above.

3. The devices, as in 2., are Army pattern. The sword and baton device reverses for right and left shoulders, with the point of the sword to the front in each case. The stars, crown and crossed-sword and baton are to be $\frac{3}{8}$ in. size, except on the mess jackets of officers below Colonel, where they are to be $\frac{1}{2}$ in. The distance apart of the devices is to be $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

0532. FLYING BADGES.

1. **Naval Pilots' and Observers' badges.** To be worn by entitled Royal Marines officers under the same conditions as naval officers (see Art. 0331). The badges are worn as follows:

On blue, lovat and khaki tunics—The full-sized badge (gold embroidered on blue) is worn in central position $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the top row of medal ribbons, or if no medal ribbons are worn, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the left-breast pocket.

On mess jackets—The Observers' badge or miniature Pilots' badge is worn immediately below the Corps badge on the left lapel, miniature medals being lowered accordingly.

2. **Army Pilots' Badge.** To be worn by entitled Royal Marines officers who are qualified as Army Light Aircraft Pilots only. The badge is worn as follows:

On blue, lovat and khaki tunics—Silver embroidered wings with gold lion and crown on navy blue or black background in same position as Naval Pilots' badge.

On mess jackets—Silver embroidered wings with gold lion and crown on red background in same position as Naval Pilots' badge.

On Combat Dress—Light blue wings with gold lion and crown on khaki background in the same position as on blue, lovat and khaki tunics.

3. R.M. Officers qualified as Light Aircraft Observers do not qualify for and will not wear the Army Observers' badge.

0533. PARACHUTIST BADGE. The Army pattern parachutist badge, a parachute with wings, may be worn by officers who are qualified parachutists and are serving or have served in Airborne, Commando or Special Boats units. It is worn on the right arm, 2 in. below the shoulder seam, as follows:

On blue tunics—the full-sized badge in gold on blue.

On lovat tunics—a two-thirds size badge in gold on green.

On mess jackets—the miniature badge (length 2 in., height $\frac{3}{4}$ in.) gold on scarlet.

On khaki tunics—the full-sized badge in light blue on khaki drill.

0534. KING'S BADGE. As for other ranks (Art. 0635.4.). To be worn by entitled officers on all orders of blue, lovat and khaki dress on the left arm, 2 in. below the shoulder seam. A gold-on-scarlet badge may be worn in the same position on the scarlet mess jacket.

0535. DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S MEDALLION. As for other ranks (Art. 0635.4.).

0536. SHOULDER FLASHES for battledress. As for other ranks (Art. 0641).

0537. COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS. Except where otherwise stated the badges and buttons worn with blue and khaki uniforms, greatcoats and mess Dresses are to be anodised and those worn with lovat and combat Dresses are to be bronze.

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ROYAL MARINES FORCES VOLUNTEER RESERVE

0541. ROYAL MARINES FORCES VOLUNTEER RESERVE OFFICERS wear the same uniform as regular R.M. Officers except that:

- a. Until lovat dress is provided, khaki battledress (with medal ribbons) is worn in lieu.
- b. Woven letters 'V.R.' in red on blue are worn immediately below the shoulder flash on the battledress blouse.
- c. Letters 'R.M.F.V.R.' are worn instead of 'R.M.'.

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ROYAL MARINES OTHER RANKS

ORDERS OF DRESS AND OCCASIONS ON WHICH WORN

0601. Table of Dresses. Numbers are assigned to the Dresses for convenience when referring to them.

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|----------------------------------|--|--|---|
| No. 1 CERE- MONIAL BLUE | R.M. OTHER RANKS— JUNIOR MUSICIANS— JUNIOR BUGLERS Cap Blue serge or tartan tunic Tweed trousers Boots White web belt (White buff for Junior Musi- cians and Buglers). White gloves Medals Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only). Dress cords royal (Junior Buglers only). BAND SERVICE AND BUGLERS ON COMPLE- TION OF TRAINING White helmet Blue cloth tunic Tweed trousers Boots White buff belt White gloves Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only) Dress cords royal (Buglers only) Medals | Major ceremonial parades. Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 2 Dress is not sufficient. | <i>a.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. <i>b.</i> White helmet to be worn by R.M. Other Ranks, Junior Musicians and Junior Buglers when ordered. <i>c.</i> R.M. Band ranks to wear blue cloth cape when ordered. |
| No. 2 BLUE DRESS | Cap Serge or tartan tunic Tweed trousers Boots White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only) Dress cords royal (Buglers only) Medals or medal ribbons as ordered. | Ceremonial parades as an alternative to No. 1 Dress. Other formal occasions when especially ordered. | <i>a.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. When not on parade black shoes may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion. <i>b.</i> R.M. Band ranks to wear blue cloth cape when ordered. |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|-------------------------|--|---|--|
| No. 3 LOVAT DRESS | Beret Worsted lovat tunic Worsted lovat trousers Khaki shirt and tie White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only) Medal ribbons | Occasions of ceremonial as an alternative to Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses. Sentries and other duty- men. Normal occasions of walking out. | <p><i>a.</i> The cloth belt may be worn for walking out and at Senior Officer's discretion on appropriate occasions of duty.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn when not on parade at Senior Officer's discretion and are to be worn when walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> On appropriate occasions when ordered, cap may be worn in place of beret by Band ranks, Buglers and dutymen.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p> <p><i>e.</i> Dress cords royal to be worn by Buglers for ceremonial and appropriate occasions of duty, and when ordered, by Junior Buglers for walking out.</p> |

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| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|---|---|---|--|
| No. 3A LOVAT SHIRT SLEEVE ORDER | Beret Khaki shirt Lovat trousers Boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only). | During hot weather in U.K. and on appro- priate occasions abroad as ordered. | <p><i>a.</i> Collar to be worn open and sleeves rolled up when this dress is worn for drill, by dutymen and for normal work inside barracks or unit lines. In normal circumstances tie to be worn and sleeves rolled down when walking out and from home to duty, but at Senior Officer's discretion tie may be omitted and sleeves rolled up, provided all men are dressed alike.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Lovat worsted or serge trousers may be worn for drill and normal work inside barracks. Lovat worsted trousers to be worn by dutymen and for walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots as ordered. Black shoes to be worn for walking out and may also be worn at Senior Officer's discretion when not on parade or on duties for which boots would be more appropriate.</p> <p><i>d.</i> White web or buff belt may be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>e.</i> On appropriate occasions when ordered cap may be worn instead of beret by Band ranks, Buglers and dutymen.</p> <p><i>f.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p> |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| No. 4 LOVAT UNDRESS | Beret Lovat serge or worsted tunic. Lovat serge or worsted trousers. Khaki shirt and tie Cloth belt Boots Coloured lanyard (Commando units only) Medal ribbons | On normal occasions of work and drill as an alternative to Nos. 3 and 8 Dresses. As night clothing in H.M. Ships. | <p><i>a.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots to be worn as ordered. Black shoes may be worn when not on parade.</p> <p><i>b.</i> White web or buff belt may be worn in place of the cloth belt for drill.</p> <p><i>c.</i> On appropriate occasions when ordered cap may be worn instead of beret by Band ranks, Buglers and dutymen.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p> |
| No. 6 KHAKE DRILL | Cap Khaki drill tunic Khaki drill trousers White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers). Boots Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only) Medals or medal ribbons as ordered. | Abroad in hot weather for ceremonial, walking out and on other occasions when ordered as an alternative to Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses. | <p><i>a.</i> White helmet to be worn in place of cap when ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn when walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> White gloves may be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Buglers to wear dress cords royal for ceremonial and as ordered for other occasions of duty.</p> |
| No. 7 TROPICAL UNDRESS | Cap Khaki shirt Khaki drill trousers White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Boots Coloured lanyard (Commando units only). | In hot weather as ordered. | <p><i>a.</i> Beret to be worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn for walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> In normal circumstances tie to be worn and sleeves rolled down when walking out and from home to duty, but at Senior Officer's discretion tie may be omitted and sleeves rolled up, provided all men are dressed alike.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p> |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|--|--|---|--|
| No. 8 NAVAL WORKING DRESS | Beret Blue action working dress shirt Blue action working dress trousers Waist belt Naval pattern boots | Action stations and working parties afloat in temperate climates. | <p><i>a.</i> Black shoes may be worn as an alternative to boots as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Blue R.M. or Corps pattern waist belt may be worn.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Windproof working jacket to be worn when ordered. (Not for Band or Buglers.)</p> |
| No. 8A MILITARY WORKING DRESS | Beret Khaki shirt Denim overall trousers Waist belt Web anklets Boots | Working parties and fatigues ashore in temperate climates. | <p><i>a.</i> Web or blue R.M. pattern waist belt to be worn as ordered. Corps pattern waist belt may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army pattern or composition-soled boots as ordered.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Short khaki puttees may be worn as an alternative to anklets when ordered.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.</p> |
| No. 9 OVERALL DRESS | Beret Denim overall blouse Denim overall trousers Boots | Refitting and other dirty work afloat. Fatigues and training ashore. | <p><i>a.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots to be worn as ordered. Shoes may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Anklets or short khaki puttees and web equipment may be worn as ordered for training.</p> |
| No. 10 TROPICAL DRILL | Cap Khaki shirt Khaki drill shorts Stockings Short khaki puttees Boots White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Coloured lanyard and Garter tabs (Commando units only). | Routine duties ashore and afloat in hot weather. | <p><i>a.</i> Beret to be worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn as an alternative to boots and puttees at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> |

| DRESS | DESCRIPTION | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR | NOTES |
|---|--|---|--|
| No. 10A NAVAL TROPICAL WORKING DRESS | Beret Blue action working dress shirt. Blue shorts Sandals | In place of No. 8 Dress afloat in hot weather. | Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered. |
| No. 10B MILITARY TROPICAL WORKING DRESS | Beret Khaki shirt Khaki shorts Sandals Waist belt | In place of No. 8A in hot weather. | <i>a.</i> Blue R.M. or Corps pattern belt to be worn at Senior Officer's discretion. <i>b.</i> Blue army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered. |
| No. 11 COMBAT DRESS | Beret Combat smock Combat trousers Anklets Composition-soled boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only). | In temperate climates for operations and training in the field. | <i>a.</i> Short puttees may be worn as an alternative to anklets when ordered. <i>b.</i> Army pattern boots may be worn as an alter- native to composition- soled boots when ordered. <i>c.</i> Associated items of combat dress and web equipment to be worn as ordered. <i>b.</i> Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered. |
| No. 12 TROPICAL COMBAT DRESS | Beret Khaki shirt Denim trousers Short khaki puttees Boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only). | In place of No. 11 Dress in hot weather. | <i>a.</i> Denison smock and/ or jersey pullover may be worn in addition when ordered. <i>b.</i> Web waist belt and other web equipment to be worn as ordered. <i>c.</i> Army pattern or com- position-soled boots to be worn as ordered. <i>d.</i> Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered. |

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0602. ASSOCIATED ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT

| ITEM | BY WHOM WORN | OCCASIONS FOR WEAR |
|---|--|--|
| Sam Browne belt | Regimental Sergeant Major. | Always with Nos. 1, 2 and 6 Dresses. As ordered and appropriate with Nos. 3, 3A, 4, 7 and 10 Dresses. |
| Infantry sword | | Always with No. 1 Dress. As ordered and appropriate with Nos. 2, 3, 3A, 4, 6, 7 and 10 Dresses. |
| White buff sword belt and staff sergeant's sword with steel scabbard and buff sword knot. | Quartermaster Sergeant, Staff Bandmaster, Bandmaster, Drum Major, Bugle Major, Provost Sergeant. | Staff Bandmaster, Bandmaster, Drum Major and Bugle Major always with No. 1 Dress and on ceremonial occasions with No. 6 Dress. |
| Brown leather sword belt | | Quartermaster Sergeant and Provost Sergeant as available and appropriate with Nos. 1 and 6 Dresses. Always with No. 2 Dress and with No. 6 Dress when the white buff sword belt is not worn. |
| Staff sergeant's sword with steel scabbard and brown leather sword knot. | | Provost Sergeant always with No. 10 Dress. As appropriate and ordered with Nos. 3, 3A, 4, 7 and 10 Dresses. |
| White web bayonet frog and sidearms. | R.M. Other Ranks of the rank of Colour Sergeant and below. | As available and appropriate on occasions when the brown leather sword belt is worn. |
| White buff band equipment | R.M. Band Service below Bandmaster. | With the white web belt for ceremonial and drill as ordered and appropriate. On ceremonial occasions with Nos. 1 and 6 Dresses and when ordered with No. 2 Dress. |

0603. OBSOLESCENT ITEMS OF UNIFORM. Until the 31st March 1966 men who were serving on 31st March 1964 may, when the following Dresses are ordered, wear the obsolescent items of uniform indicated in lieu of the items shown in the Dress Table, Art. 0601:

Ranks other than Landing Craft Crews

No. 4 Lovat Undress: *Either* Blue serge tunic and trousers (Formerly Nos. 3 and 4 Dresses), with cap and web belt for routine duties and training or with beret for night clothing; *or* Khaki battledress (formerly No. 3A Dress), with medal ribbons and with beret and web belt.

No. 3A Lovat Shirt Sleeve Order—Khaki flannel shirt and khaki battledress trousers (formerly No. 3B Dress) with beret and web belt.

Landing Craft Crews

No. 4 Lovat Undress

No. 3A Lovat Shirt Sleeve Order { Blue serge trousers, action/working dress shirt and seamen's blue jersey (formerly No. 8A Dress) with beret, web belt and gymnasium shoes.

SPECIAL DRESSES

0604. DESPATCH RIDERS. Pantaloon M.C.; coat, rubber-proofed, M.C.; boots, M.C.; goggles, M.T.; helmet, D.R.

0605. PHYSICAL TRAINING INSTRUCTORS' WORKING DRESS. Serge trousers; elastic belt; gymnasium vest (trimmed with red); sweater; track suit (green); gymnasium shoes.

0606. COOKS' WORKING DRESS. As for corresponding naval ratings (Art. 0406). S.N.C.O.s may wear beret instead of uniform cap.

0607. R.M. OFFICERS' ATTENDANTS AND OFFICERS' MESS STAFF: MESS CLOTHING. White stewards' tunic; blue serge or tweed trousers; white gloves.

0608. GROOMS' WORKING DRESS. Pantaloon, bedford cord; puttees, khaki, ordinary; spurs, jack.

0609. ROYAL YACHT UNIFORM. R.M. ranks embarked in the Royal Yacht are issued with white drill uniform for wear on appropriate occasions in place of khaki drill. Details may be obtained from R.M. Barracks, Eastney, who will normally be responsible for arranging the issue.

0610. FUNCTIONAL CLOTHING is also provided for men employed on special duties such as swimmer canoeists, sentries, dining hall attendants, etc.

0611. EVENING DRESS FOR SENIOR N.C.O.s. The following dress may be worn on certain formal evening occasions on an optional basis by all S.N.C.O.s serving in R.M. establishments and units, and by Colour Sergeants and above serving in H.M. Ships and R.N. establishments in tropical climates:

White mess jacket, with $\frac{3}{4}$ in. anodised Corps buttons

Soft white plain day shirt or piqué-fronted or marcella-fronted evening shirt, with soft collar to match

Black evening tie

Blue uniform trousers

Black leather shoes, uniform pattern

Black socks

Scarlet kamarband

Miniature Globe and Laurel badge on each lapel

Miniature medals on left lapel

Miniature badges of rank, embroidered gold on scarlet, on right sleeve. Colour Sergeants' and Sergeants' chevrons to be 2 in. across.

Miniature King's Badge, embroidered gold on scarlet, on left sleeve, and Light Aircraft Pilot's Badge, silver and gold on scarlet, on left lapel (below Globe and Laurel), for those entitled.

2. The mess jacket, evening tie, shirts, collars, kamarband and Globe and Laurel badge to be of the patterns prescribed for R.M. Officers.

3. Approval for the wearing of this dress is to be on the same basis as for Chief Petty Officers (see Art. 0412.4.)

0612.-0614.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF UNIFORM WHICH MAY BE WORN

0615. JERSEY PULLOVERS may be added to appropriate orders of dress for operations, training and other duties within unit lines.

0616. GREATCOATS may be ordered to be worn as required, including occasions of ceremonial and for dutymen. The web belt or web belt and side arms may be worn outside the greatcoat: the half belt of the greatcoat is then to be unbuttoned and tucked inside. R.M. Band ranks are to wear the buff belt beneath the greatcoat on all occasions: the cross belt and music pouch are, however, to be worn outside for ceremonial.

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ROYAL MARINES OTHER RANKS

0617. WATERPROOF CLOTHING. R.M. Other Ranks are to wear the ground-sheet, R.M. Band ranks and Buglers the groundsheet, waterproof cape or blue band cape as appropriate. Regimental Sergeant Majors are to wear the officers' pattern mackintosh.

0618. GLOVES

1. **Regimental Sergeant Majors** are to wear brown leather gloves and as a general rule are to follow the same instructions about wearing gloves as officers (Art. 0507).

2. **Quartermaster Sergeants, Bugler Quartermaster Sergeants, Staff Bandmasters, Bandmasters, Drum and Bugle Majors.** White gloves to be worn as specified in the Dress Table. When gloves are ordered on other occasions, these S.N.C.O.s may wear brown leather gloves.

3. **Colour Sergeants and below.** White gloves to be worn as specified in the Dress Table. When gloves are ordered on other occasions khaki woollen are to be worn, except that Sergeants and above may wear brown leather gloves when walking out in uniform.

0619.-0621.

DETAILS OF UNIFORM

0622. REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJORS. Articles of uniform for Regimental Sergeant Majors are of R.M. Other Ranks pattern with the following modifications:

- a. *Blue uniform*—Officers' material and pattern, but with stand-up collar
- b. *Cap and collar badges*—Officers' pattern
- c. *Blue lanyards*—Officers' pattern
- d. *Boots, ankle*—Officers' pattern, i.e. with plain toe-caps.

0623. R.M. BAND SERVICE AND BUGLERS. Articles of uniform for Other Ranks of the R.M. Band Service and Buglers are of R.M. Other Ranks pattern with the following modifications:

a. *Blue trousers*—R.M. Band ranks wear a broad scarlet strip (1½ in.) on tweed trousers, except Junior Musicians who have not completed training at R.M. School of Music, who wear the normal scarlet welt.

b. *Band cape*—A blue cloth cape, fastening at the neck, is provided for wear by Band ranks with No. 1 Dress on appropriate occasions.

c. *Ceremonial dress tunics*—A yellow-braided cloth tunic is provided for wear by Band ranks and Buglers with No. 1 Dress on appropriate occasions. For Band Sergeants and above the tunic is gold-braided. Drum Majors in complement billets are issued with a special ceremonial tunic.

d. *Royal Yacht Band orchestral tunic*—In addition to the present full dress tunic, R.M. Band ranks of the Royal Yacht are provided with the pre-war Divisional Band full dress tunic for wear during orchestral engagements when embarked. These tunics are issued on loan from a small pool held at R.M. Barracks, Eastney.

e. *White equipment*—Band ranks and Buglers wear white buff equipment, as appropriate, instead of white web equipment.

f. *Dress cords, royal*—silk for Bugler Quartermaster Sergeants, worsted for other Buglers—are worn as ordered. The method of wearing is as follows:

The hook at the tassel end is to be secured to a becket sewn underneath the left shoulder strap at the front, as near to the point of the shoulder as practicable. The tassels when secured should lie naturally at the front of the left shoulder. The running end should then be taken across the upper chest over the right shoulder beneath the shoulder strap, the cord between the shoulders lying in a natural curve, being secured to the third button on cloth tunics, second button on serge and khaki drill and the top button on lovat, between the two toggles provided. Securing of the cord is completed by bringing the running end round the back of the right shoulder, under the armpit, and, except for the lovat tunic, securing the eye at the end to the top button of the tunic. On the lovat tunic, the eye is to be secured to a small hook sewn under the right lapel 3½ in. above

the top button. The plait below the eye should curve naturally towards the right armpit. If a drum carriage is worn, the loop across the chest should be underneath and that part of the cord running from the right armpit secured over the top of the carriage.

g. Wellington boots and overalls (Officers' pattern) may be worn by Drum Majors on ceremonial parades provided all Drum Majors present are dressed alike.

0624. R.M. OTHER RANKS GENERALLY. Brief descriptions of uniform items are given below. All items of compulsory kit are available from Service sources. Uniform items differing from the Service pattern are not to be worn and will not be accepted as part of kit. Copies of the detailed specifications for items of Royal Marines clothing are normally held by all R.M. Units holding clothing accounts.

0625. DESCRIPTIONS OF UNIFORM ITEMS

1. **Bag, Linen, Brown.** Drab drill. Fitted with hem and draw tape. Size: 19½ in. base; 14 in. from crown to base. Used for stowage of white helmet or cap.

2. **Belts, Waist.** Serge belt, blue or Corps colours (red, green and gold on blue) as required, lined with black twill. Width 2¼ in.

3. **Berets.** Blue or green as required. As for naval air ratings (Art. 0428.3.), except that the R.M. blue beret has a scarlet cloth patch, 2½ in. wide, 2 in. deep, rounded at the top, sewn to the beret in a position to coincide with the stiffener. Worn with leather band level round the head, 1 in. above the eyebrows, crown pulled to the right, braid adjuster tied in a knot with ends tucked in. The blue and green berets are worn as follows:

Blue—While under training

Green—(i) On completion of Commando training, or if not required to carry out this training, on reaching an equivalent standard.

(ii) By all other ranks of the R.M. Band Service and Buglers on attaining Adult 1st Class status or on first draft to H.M. Ships, R.N. establishments or units, whichever is the sooner.

4. **Blouse, Battledress.** Obsolescent. Army 1949 pattern khaki serge.

5. **Boots, Ankle.** Black leather. With toe-cap. Leather-soled (army pattern) or composition-soled as required. Lacing, with six eyelets each side.

6. **Cap** with white top to be worn in all climates all the year round. Peaked cap with scarlet band, white plastic top, chin strap. Plain peak.

7. **Combat Clothing.** Army pattern combat cap, combat smock, denison smock, combat trousers, hood, etc. as required.

8. **Denim Overall Blouse.** Army pattern. Drab denim material. Shoulder straps. Flap pockets. No uniform buttons.

9. **Garter tabs.** Double tabs of coloured cloth, each 1½ in. wide and 4¼ in. from top to point, on an elastic garter. The two tabs to be slightly offset, with the outside tab in front. To be worn by men on the posted strength of Commando Units as follows:

| | |
|----------------|----------------------|
| HQ 3 Cdo. Bde. | green |
| 40 Commando | light blue |
| 41 Commando | old gold |
| 42 Commando | white |
| 43 Commando | old gold and scarlet |
| 45 Commando | scarlet |

10. **Gloves.** *Brown*—Officers' pattern (Art. 0520.10.). *White*—cotton, knitted, with button. *Khaki*—Army pattern, knitted wool, without buttons.

11. **Greatcoat.** Drab cloth. Double-breasted. To button four, with five buttons and buttonholes on each forepart. Convertible stand collar and lapels. Shoulder straps. Two hip pockets with flaps. Two-piece back with vent and fitted with two half belts across waist with slit at each side seam for belts. Formed cuff on sleeves. Sleeves and upper part of the back of the coat lined.

12. **Helmet.** White, Wolseley pattern, sun helmet, built upon a natural cork foundation, fitted with a detachable headband and a threaded, lacquered, gilding metal ventilator and with gilding metal ball ornament, front plate and chin chain.

13. **Holdall.** Olive drab cambric material. Overall dimensions 23 in. by 9½ in. Divided into seven pockets. Secured with tape.

14. **Jersey, Pullover.** Sleeved jersey with V neck, knitted from olive drab worsted yarn.

15. **Lanyards.** Cotton braid. Length 32/33 in. Loop and Turk's-head knot each end. Plain (army pattern) lanyard for all ranks. Coloured lanyard for men on the posted strength of Commando Units: the colours as for garter tabs (see 9. above). Lanyards are worn on the right shoulder, except that when both the plain lanyard and a coloured lanyard are worn the plain lanyard is worn on the left shoulder. Worn in an ordinary loop with the running end passed directly into the side of the pocket without forming a bight.

16. **Mug.** Green. Polypropylene. 1-pint.

17. **Pantaloon.** For grooms. Khaki bedford cord.

18. **Puttees.** Army pattern. Khaki wool/worsted. Ordinary—112 in. long: Short—42 in. long.

19. **Sash.** For S.N.C.O.s. Scarlet worsted. 3½ in. wide. Tassels 9 in. long. Worn over the right shoulder under the shoulder strap, so that it lies naturally and closely across the chest. The sash is to be adjusted so that the ends of the tassels are in line with the bottom of the tunic: this length may be adjusted where the tassels join the sash by cutting and rejoining. The sash and tassels are to cross over just below the waist and when viewed from the side, the front portion should lie on top of the other. The sash should be pinched together at the waist with two bar tacks ½ in. long and ½ in. apart, to allow the waist hook to be inserted and ensure anchorage of sash. Diagrams illustrating the correct fitting of the sash are held by all R.M. Clothing Officers.

20. **Shirt, Khaki.** Cotton twill. Open-front, buttoning to neck, with neckband and attached collar. Long sleeves, with buttoning vent and cuff. Mitre point buttoning shoulder straps. Two breast pockets with button-through flaps. Whole back with pleat over each shoulder blade fitted into yoke. Khaki flannel shirts, with and without collar, of previous pattern now obsolescent, also continue in issue while stocks last.

21. **Shorts, Khaki Drill.** Pleated into waistband, 3½ in. at front tapering to 3 in. at seat seam. Four belt loops. Two side pockets. Bottom of leg 25 in. to 28 in. round. Length approx. 3 in. above centre of kneecap.

22. **Socks.** Thick wool or polyester fibre, grey or khaki.

23. **Stockings, Khaki.** Ribbed, knitted, thin wool.

24. **Spurs.** For grooms. Ordinary steel jack spurs with black leather straps and tabs.

25. Swords and Sword Belts

a. Regimental Sergeant Majors—Sam Browne assembly and infantry sword with leather scabbard as for R.M. Officers (Art. 0520, 22. and 23.).

b. Other S.N.C.O.s above Colour Sergeant—Brown leather or white buff sword belt, Staff Sergeant's sword with steel scabbard and brown leather or white buff sword knot worn as in Art. 0602. All these S.N.C.O.s are issued with the brown sword belt, but the number of white buff sword belts and swords available is very limited and they are principally for the use of Band and Bugler S.N.C.O.s, although a small pool may be available in U.K. units for the use of other eligible S.N.C.O.s.

26. **Tie, Khaki.** Drab worsted braid.

27. Trousers

a. *Blue* tweed, with ⅝ in. wide scarlet stripe down each side seam. Bottom of legs shaped and plain. Fly front. Two side pockets.

b. *Lovat*—Serge, lovat, solid worsted, or Serge, lovat, woollen and worsted, as required. Pleated. For wear with or without braces, with fitted cloth belt. Bottom of legs shaped and plain. Fly front slide fastener closure. Two slant side pockets and one buttoning hip pocket.

- c. Khaki drill.* Vat-dyed, mercerised drill. Pleated. For wear with or without braces, with waistband extension. Fly front. Bottom of legs plain. Two side pockets. Four belt loops.
- d. Denim.* Army pattern overall trousers to match the blouse (8). Drab denim material.
- e. Battledress.* Obsolescent. Army 1949 pattern khaki serge.

28. Tunics

- a. Blue.* Serge or tartan as required. Single-breasted. To button five. Stand collar. Pleated patch breast pockets with flaps. Jetted hip pockets with flaps. Shoulder straps. Pointed cuffs.
- b. Lovat.* Serge, lovat, solid worsted or Serge, lovat, woollen and worsted, as required. Single-breasted. To button four. Step collar. Pleated patch breast pockets and 'blind' hip pockets, all with flaps. Shoulder straps. Pointed cuffs. Detachable cloth belt 2 ins. wide with bronze buckle.
- c. Khaki drill.* Vat-dyed, mercerised drill. Single-breasted. To button five. Stand collar. Pleated patch breast pockets with flap (No hip pockets). Shoulder straps. Pointed cuffs.

29. **Whistle.** Nickel silver. Naval stores pattern: Whistle, mouth. Worn on plain leather thong attached to top button of tunic, etc.

30. The following items are of naval ratings pattern and are described in Art. 0428:

| | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Action/working dress shirt and trousers | Shirt, knitted, cook's |
| Bag, travelling | Shirt, white, tropical |
| Boots, ankle, naval pattern | Shoes, black leather |
| Braces, trouser | Shoes, gymnasium |
| Case, attaché | Shorts, blue drill, tropical |
| Case, suit | Towel |
| Housewife | Underwear |
| Knife, clasp | Wallet for paybook |
| Pillow slip | White drill trousers (for cooks) |
| Sandals | Windproof working jacket |
| Sheet | |

0626.-0627.

BADGES AND BUTTONS

0628. CAP/BERET BADGES. The Globe, Laurel, Lion and Crown badge, anodised or bronze as appropriate, is worn by all Other Ranks in one piece except as follows:

a. R.S.M.s, Q.M.S.s and equivalent ranks wear a divided badge, i.e., Lion and Crown separate from and above the Globe and Laurel.

b. On the cap only, other ranks of the Portsmouth Group Band wear a gilt grenade on which is mounted the cypher G.R. V and crown in silver surrounded by a laurel wreath. The cypher E. II R./P.P. with crown in silver is worn on the cap immediately above the cap badge.

c. On the cap only, other ranks of the Plymouth Group Band wear the anodised divided cap badge as *a.* with the Prince of Wales Plumes in silver between the Globe and Laurel and the Lion and Crown.

2. The composite badge is worn:

a. Centrally in front of the cap, with the top of the red band running through the crown.

b. On berets, immediately over the left eye: blue beret—centrally within and $\frac{1}{8}$ in. above the bottom of the red patch; green beret— $\frac{1}{8}$ in. above the leather band.

3. The divided badge is worn on the cap with the tips of the wreath level with the top of the scarlet band and the crown $\frac{1}{2}$ in. above, and on the beret as in 2.*b.* but with the crown $\frac{3}{8}$ in. above the globe.

0629. WHITE HELMET ORNAMENTS. In addition to a polished ball ornament and a polished or bright anodised chin chain, Other Ranks wear a polished or bright anodised helmet badge on the white Wolseley pattern helmet. The badge is an eight-pointed star with dead and bright rays and a crown above; on the star a laurel wreath on the inside of which is a garter with the regimental motto 'Per Mare Per Terram'; above the garter a scroll 'Gibraltar' and below it an anchor; in the centre a globe. The badge is to be worn centrally on the front of the helmet with the bottom central point fitted approximately halfway over the band round the helmet, so that the points either side rest on the top of the band.

2. The Portsmouth Group Band wear two royal cyphers in silver attached to the helmet badge: the cypher G.R. V over the anchor and below the globe and the cypher E. II R./P.P. below the crown.

3. The Plymouth Group Band wear the Prince of Wales Plumes centrally upon the helmet badge above the globe and partially covering the crown.

0630. COLLAR BADGES. Other Ranks wear the metal or embroidered Globe and Laurel on blue and lovat uniforms, except Junior Musicians under training, who wear bright anodised or bronze lyre collar badges as appropriate. On blue tunics, the badges are to be set $\frac{1}{8}$ in. above the collar seam with the centre of the badge 2 in. from the end of the collar. On lovat tunics, these badges are to be worn centrally on the step of the collar, the bottom of the laurel wreath $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the edge of the step. Not worn on other garments.

0631. LETTERS 'R.M.' Block letters, size $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Worn centrally on the shoulder seams $\frac{1}{2}$ in. above the seam. Not worn on overalls or smocks or on Band and Buglers' full dress tunics.

0632. BUTTONS. Corps button—raised round button. At the centre a fowl anchor under a crown surrounded by a double rim enclosing the words 'Royal Marines', and this in turn surrounded by a laurel wreath. In two sizes—1 in. and $\frac{3}{4}$ in.: the smaller button for pockets and shoulder straps.

0633. RANK BADGES. Except for the greatcoat and combat dress, where they are worn on both arms, rank badges are worn on the right arm only, as follows:

| RANK | BADGE | HOW WORN |
|---|--|--|
| Regimental Sergeant Major Quartermaster Sergeant Staff Bandmaster | Royal Arms Crown in laurel wreath Lyre in laurel wreath, surmounted by crown. (But on greatcoat and wrist strap the Q.M.S. badge is worn.) | Bottom point of badge $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash on tunic sleeve or cuff on greatcoat. In all shirt sleeve Dresses the badge is worn on a wrist strap. |
| Bandmaster | Lyre with oak leaves below and crown above. | |
| Bugler Q.M.S., Bugle Major, Drum Major. | Four chevrons, point upwards, with bugle or drum, as appropriate, above. | On tunic, inner angle of lowest chevron $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash of sleeve. On greatcoat, bottom of badge $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above cuff seam. In all shirt sleeve Dresses the badge is worn on a wrist strap. |
| Bandmasters of Portsmouth and Plymouth Group Bands and R.M.S.M. Staff Band. | Three chevrons, point upwards, with Royal Academy lyre above. (But with khaki drill and on wrist strap the metal Bandmaster badge is worn.) | |
| Provost Sergeant | Three chevrons, point upwards. | |

| RANK | BADGE | HOW WORN |
|-----------------|---|--|
| Colour Sergeant | On blue uniform—three chevrons, point downwards, surmounted by a globe on crossed flags having a crown above and a foul anchor below and surrounded by a laurel wreath. | Except for greatcoat, bottom point of lowest chevron to be $10\frac{1}{2}$ in. below shoulder seam. On greatcoat, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above cuff seam. |
| Sergeant | On other uniform — three chevrons, point downwards, surmounted by a crown. | |
| Corporal | Three chevrons, point downwards. | |
| Lance-Corporal | Two chevrons, point downwards. One chevron, point downwards | |

0634. GOOD CONDUCT BADGES. V-shaped stripes, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide. White and khaki 5 in. across top of V, others 6 in. Worn point upwards on the left arm with the inner angle of the lowest stripe $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the point of the sleeve slash. When more than one badge is worn the distance between them is to be $\frac{3}{16}$ in., measured perpendicularly.

2. Good conduct badges are only to be worn by Marines, Musicians and Buglers and then only on the blue serge, white and khaki drill tunics. They are not worn on the Band ranks' and Buglers' blue cloth tunic.

0635. BRANCH, SPECIALIST QUALIFICATION, SKILL AND SPECIAL BADGES

| CATEGORY | BADGE | HOW WORN |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| 1. Branch badges | | |
| Radio Technician (Light) | Circle with three lightning flashes each side. | <p>a. S.N.C.O.s above Colour Sergeant do not wear branch badges.</p> <p>b. Colour Sergeants — right arm, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash.</p> <p>c. N.C.O.s below Colour Sergeant—right arm, above the chevrons, fitted as close as possible into the 'V'.</p> <p>d. Marines, Musicians and Buglers—right arm, 6 in. below shoulder seam.</p> |
| Other Tradesmen | Crossed hammer and pincers | |
| R.M. Band | Metal lyre with oak leaves below and crown above. | |
| Bugler | Embroidered drum | |

| CATEGORY | BADGE | HOW WORN |
|---|--|---|
| 2. Specialist Qualification badges | | |
| Assault Engineer | Letters AE in wreath | <p><i>a.</i> S.N.C.O.s above Colour Sergeant do not wear SQ badges.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Colour Sergeants — right arm, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash.</p> <p><i>c.</i> N.C.O.s below Colour Sergeant with Instructor or 1st Class S.Q. badge—right arm, above the chevrons, fitted well into the 'V' (Lower end of crossed guns, etc. to be $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above back-cloth of chevron). P.T. Instructor's badge also worn centrally on chest of gymnasium vest and sweater.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Other N.C.O.s and Marines —left arm $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash.</p> <p><i>e.</i> Not more than one S.Q. badge is to be worn.</p> |
| Clerk | Letter C in wreath | |
| Cliff Leader | Letters CL in wreath | |
| Cook | Letter K in wreath | |
| Drill and Platoon Weapons | Crossed rifles | |
| Driver | Steering wheel | |
| Gunnery | Crossed guns. Letters below as for naval ratings, viz. | |
| | Quarters QR | |
| | Quarters Armourer QA | |
| | Gunlayer GL | |
| | Gunlayer Armourer GA | |
| | Fire Control Armourer FC | |
| Heavy Weapons | Letters HW in wreath | |
| Landing Craft | Letters LC in wreath | |
| Physical Training | Crossed clubs | |
| Provost | Letters MP in wreath | |
| Signaller | Crossed flags | |
| Swimmer Canoeist | Letters SC in wreath | |
| 3. Skill badges | | |
| Marksman | Crossed rifles | <p>Left arm, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash, unless an S.Q. badge is worn in this position, in which case the skill badge is worn $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the S.Q. badge.</p> |
| Sniper | Crossed rifles with letter S above. | |
| R.M. Observer | Single wing of gold embroidery lifted to the right and attached to a silver 'O' surmounted by a crown. | |
| 4. Special badges | | |
| Light Aircraft Pilot | The Army Pilots' Badge—wings (extended) surmounted by lion and crown. | <p>The same badge as for officers (Art. 0532.2.) worn in the same position, viz. $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above top row of medal ribbons or $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above left breast pocket if no medal ribbons worn.</p> |
| Parachutist | Parachute with wings | <p>Right arm, 2 in. below shoulder seam.</p> |
| King's Badge | Royal cypher 'GR V' in a laurel wreath. | <p>Left arm, 2 in. below shoulder seam.</p> |
| Section Leader's Diamond | Scarlet diamond | <p>Left arm, 2 in. below shoulder seam, on blue and lovat uniform. Worn by recruits under training appointed Section Leaders.</p> |

| RANK | BADGE | HOW WORN |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Duke of Edinburgh's Medallion. | Designed in the form of a brooch depicting crossed rifles and sub-machine gun in a circular centre piece surrounded by a laurel wreath surmounted by a coronet, the whole 1.4 in. diameter. | Centrally on the pleat of the right breast pocket in blue, lovat and khaki drill dresses, with the top of the coronet $\frac{1}{4}$ in. below the bottom of the pocket flap. Only to be worn on occasions when the Duke of Edinburgh visits R.M. units in his capacity as Captain-General, or, at the discretion of the Commanding Officer, on a purely Regimental parade when medals are worn. |
| Royal Yacht | Embroidered badge lettered 'Royal Yacht' and surmounted by a crown. | Right arm 1 in. below the shoulder seam. Worn by ranks embarked in the Royal Yacht and by the Portsmouth Group Band. |

0636. STARS AND CROWNS are added to the basic specialist qualification badges shown in Art. 0635.2. to indicate the classes of qualification, as follows:

Instructors—crown above basic device and two stars below

First Class—crown above basic device

Second Class—star above and star below basic device

Third Class—star above basic device

When there are both a letter and a star below the basic device, the letter is below the star.

0637. BADGES AWARDED DURING FORMER SERVICE in R.N., Army or R.A.F. are not to be worn unless they are badges currently authorised for wear by R.M. other ranks; provided also that the privilege of wearing the badge has not been withdrawn.

0638. BADGES AND BUTTONS TO BE WORN WITH THE VARIOUS DRESSES

| DRESS | BADGES WORN | COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Blue tunic (Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses) | Collar badges Letters R.M. (not on Band and Buglers' cloth tunics). Rank, King's, Parachutist, Pilot's and Royal Yacht badges. Good conduct badges (not on Band and Buglers' cloth tunics) Branch badge (Band and Buglers only). | Buttons and metal badges anodised, except collar badges on Band and Buglers' full dress tunics, which are embroidered. Chevrons and good conduct badges gold on scarlet. Other badges gold on blue, except Band branch badge, which is to be metal. |

| DRESS | BADGES WORN | COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS |
|--|---|---|
| Khaki drill tunic (No. 6 Dress) | Letters R.M. Rank, King's, Parachutist, Pilot's, Royal Yacht and Good Conduct Badges. Branch badge (Band and Buglers only). | Buttons and metal badges anodised. Arm badges khaki on khaki drill, except: R.S.M. and Bandmaster rank badges and Band branch badge —metal. Staff Bandmaster— gold on blue. Bugle Q.M.S., Bugle Major, Drum Major— gold on scarlet chevrons, gold on blue bugle or drum. Royal Yacht badge—white on blue. Parachutist badge—light blue on khaki drill. Pilot's badge (on breast)—gold and silver on blue. |
| Lovat tunic (Nos. 3 and 4 Dresses) | Collar badges Letters R.M. Rank, branch, S.Q., skill and special badges (S.Q. and skill badges are optional for the second lovat tunic). | Buttons, collar badges and letters R.M. bronze. Cap/beret badge anodised. Arm badges gold on green, two-thirds size of those worn on blues, except Band branch badge, which is to be anodi- sed and full size. Pilot badge gold and silver on blue, full size. |
| White tunic (Royal Yacht) | Letters R.M. Rank, good conduct, King's and Royal Yacht badges. | Buttons and metal badges ano- dised. Gold on blue rank, Royal Yacht and King's badges. Red on white good conduct badges. |
| Combat dress smock (No. 11 Dress) | Rank badge Pilot's badge | Beret badge bronze. Rank badges khaki on khaki serge. Pilot's badge light blue and gold on khaki. |
| Khaki shirt (Nos. 3A, 7, 8A, 10, 10B and 12 Dresses) | Letters R.M. Rank badge | With No. 12 (Tropical Combat Dress) only, beret badge and letters R.M. are to be bronze and wristlet badges, when worn, khaki on khaki cloth. Otherwise ano- dised metal badges and white on khaki arm badges are worn. |
| Light blue shirt (Nos. 8 and 10A Dresses) | Letters R.M. Rank badge | Metal badges anodised. Arm badges red on blue. |
| White shirt (Cooks' working dress) | Rank badge | Metal badges anodised. Arm badges red on white. |
| Denim overall blouse (No. 9 Dress) | Rank badge | Metal badges anodised. Arm badges khaki on khaki serge. |
| Greatcoat | Letters R.M. Rank badge | Buttons and metal badges ano- dised. Arm badges khaki on khaki serge. |
| Windproof working jacket | Rank badge | Badge red on blue. |
| P.T.I.'s Gymnasium vest and sweater. | S.Q. badge | Badge red on white. |

NOTE. Ranks issued with gilt buttons and badges may continue to wear them, on the appropriate uniforms in lieu of anodised, but only until 31st March 1966.

0639. BACKGROUND AND ATTACHMENT OF BADGES. The instructions in Art. 0442, as regards naval ratings' badges, are also applicable, so far as appropriate, to Royal Marines badges.

0640. ARMLETS

1. **R.M. Provost.** The 'M.P.' armband, as provided for the Royal Military Police, to be worn immediately above the right elbow. When chevrons are worn on the upper arm, the arm band should just cover the lower point of the bottom chevron, with the letters 'M' and 'P' on either side of the apex of the chevron.

2. **Unit Police.** Ranks on Unit Police duties are to wear the authorised armlet—'N.P.' 'R.P.' or 'R.M.' as appropriate—on the left sleeve immediately above the cuff of the tunic or greatcoat, or in a similar position on other uniform.

0641. SHOULDER FLASHES lettered 'Royal Marines' or 'Royal Marines Commando' as appropriate, embroidered red on blue, are worn on both arms of the battledress blouse, 1 in. below the shoulder seam. The Dagger Formation sign, embroidered red on blue, is worn immediately below the 'Royal Marines Commando' flash.

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ROYAL MARINES FORCES VOLUNTEER RESERVE

0646. ROYAL MARINES FORCES VOLUNTEER RESERVE OTHER RANKS wear the same uniform as regular R.M. other ranks except that:

- a. Khaki battledress (with medal ribbons) is worn instead of lovat dress.
- b. Woven letters 'V.R.' in red on blue are worn immediately below the shoulder flash on the battledress blouse.
- c. Letters 'R.M.F.V.R.' are worn instead of 'R.M.'.