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## REFERENCES TO OTHER REGULATIONS AND ORDERS

**0101. QUEEN'S REGULATIONS FOR THE ROYAL NAVY** require all personnel to wear such uniforms as the Admiralty Board, in pursuance of Her Majesty's pleasure, shall from time to time direct. The uniforms directed to be worn are specified and described in these Uniform Regulations, and except in so far as the colour, material or design of certain items is indicated in the relevant chapters to be optional, the prescribed patterns are to be adhered to strictly. No unauthorised items of uniform or badges are to be worn.

**0102. VICTUALLING MANUAL (B.R.93)** contains the necessary instructions with regard to the methods of issue of clothing generally and also as to various items of temporary loan and special loan not covered by these Regulations.

**0103. NAVAL PAY REGULATIONS (B.R.1950)** contains instructions for the grants and allowances payable in connection with clothing.

**0104. RESERVE AND AUXILIARY SERVICES.** Brief descriptions of the distinguishing details of the uniforms of the Royal Naval Reserve, Women's Royal Naval Reserve, Royal Marines Reserve, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Reserve and Royal Naval Auxiliary Service are given in these Uniform Regulations, together with the kit scales for R.N.R., W.R.N.R. and R.M.R. officers only. Further instructions are in the Orders and Regulations of the various Services.

**0105. SEALED PATTERNS AND SPECIFICATIONS.** Sealed patterns of uniform clothing items may be seen at the Pattern Rooms, Ministry of Defence, Central Ordnance Depot, Didcot, Berkshire. Sealed patterns of associated equipment for Royal Marines are held by the Ministry of Defence, Armament Supply Department (Naval). For items of clothing procured under contract detailed specifications are issued to contractors when contracts are placed. Brief descriptions of uniform items are given in the relevant chapters of these Regulations. More detailed descriptions of some of the items, for the guidance of tailors, outfitters etc., are in Appendix 3.

**0106. COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF'S ORDERS.** Commanders-in-Chief may at their discretion issue such station orders concerning dress, supplementary to these Regulations, as may be necessary, having regard to the particular climatic conditions of the station. As far as possible these orders should be framed in such a way that the practice followed by all ships on a station and under similar conditions is the same. In particular they may require to issue orders about:

the dates on which the wearing of tropical dress is to start and finish, on stations where blue and white are both worn;

the dates between which jerseys are to be worn (Art. 0415); and, in general,

details of dress which are stated in these Regulations to be at the discretion of the Senior Officer.

**0107. TROOPING PASSAGES.** Instructions for the dress to be worn on air or sea trooping passages will be issued by the authority ordering the passage.

**0108. PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO OTHER SERVICES** are to continue to wear the uniform of their own Service. In the choice of the dress to be worn on a particular occasion they should conform as far as possible to the orders of the other Service.

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## BADGES AND EMBLEMS

**0112. DESIGN OF CROWN IN BADGES.** The St. Edward's crown is specified for badges and buttons, but some with the previous, Tudor crown are still in issue while stocks last.

**0113. ALLIED HEADQUARTERS BADGES.** Personnel serving in NATO appointments at SHAPE and its subordinate command headquarters are to wear on their uniform the badges appropriate to their respective commands. For officers this is in the form of a detachable metal pocket badge on the left breast: it is not worn with Stars of Orders. Ratings and R.M. other ranks wear the badge on a cloth patch on the left upper-arm (Royal Marines on lovat dress only).

2. The corresponding badges may also be worn, if required, by personnel serving in SEATO and CENTO appointments at the headquarters of those organisations.

3. The badges are available at the various command headquarters for issue on loan to officers and for gratuitous issue to ratings and other ranks.

**0114. DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD.** The emblem of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award is not a Service badge, but may be worn on uniform by juniors, R.N. and R.M., and apprentices, only, whilst serving in training establishments. The embroidered badge should be worn in the same manner as skill badges, i.e. by ratings on the right cuff and Royal Marines on the left cuff.

**0115. EMBLEMS.** No unauthorised flags or emblems may be worn with uniform, but the national flower or emblem may be worn on St. George's Day, St. Andrew's Day, St. David's Day and St. Patrick's Day, and a poppy on Remembrance Day. Men dressed as seamen, all Royal Marines, W.R.N.S. ratings below Petty Officer and N.N.s below Asst. Head should wear the emblem on the left side of cap, beret or nurse's hat, all others on the left lapel of the jacket.

**0116. SHIPS' COLOURS** in the form of plain circular rosettes not exceeding 2 in. diameter, without streamers, tassels or other ornaments, may be worn by libertymen in uniform on occasions of Port, Fleet or Squadron athletic competitions. They are normally only to be worn during the competition, but may also be worn when proceeding direct to the ground at which the competition is to take place, subject to local orders of the Commander-in-Chief. They are not to be worn ashore at foreign ports.

**0117. MOURNING.** The mourning band for wear with uniform, when authorised, is to be a band of black crepe, double thickness,  $3\frac{1}{4}$  in. wide for officers and 2 in. for ratings and naval nurses, worn on the left arm midway between shoulder and elbow.

2. Royal Marines other ranks are not to wear mourning bands with uniform, but may if they wish, for private mourning, cover the second button of the tunic with black crepe.

3. No marks of mourning other than as above are to be worn with uniform.

4. Officers only are required to wear mourning bands for Official Mourning, as ordered. All personnel may wear mourning in uniform, as above, for private reasons.

**0118.-0119.**

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

**0120. JEWELLERY AND TRINKETS.** Watch chains, pencil clips, tiepins or other trinkets are not to be visible when worn with uniform.

2. A thin plain gilt or gold chain or clip tie retainer may be worn with shirt-sleeve-and-tie Dresses, except by Royal Marines.

3. No jewellery is to be visible with uniform other than signet rings for men, wedding, engagement and signet rings for W.R.N.S. and the wedding ring for naval nurses.

**0121. SIKHS.** R.N. officers and ratings of Sikh nationality and religion are to be permitted to wear uniform turbans, purchased privately, instead of caps and to keep their hair long, if they so wish.

2. The uniform turban is to conform to the Indian Navy pattern, as follows:

a. The turban consists of a pugree and a headband.

b. The pugree is a strip of any suitable material (soft muslin is normally used) long enough to go round the head six times, crossing over in the centre, and folded to a uniform width of about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. throughout. It must cover the hair completely, reaching to the nape of the neck, and from six overlapping layers, evenly spaced and clearly seen on either side of the head. It is secured by folding in at the back, with no loose ends.

c. The headband is a straight band of the same material worn round the forehead, under the pugree, with a triangle of 1 in. base showing in the centre of the forehead where the two sides of the pugree separate after crossing over.

3. A navy blue pugree and a white headband are to be worn with blue uniform, white pugree and blue headband with tropical uniform.

4. The officers', chief petty officers' or petty officers' cap badge is to be affixed to the pugree with its base at the apex of the triangle of the headband. The junior ratings' cap ribbon is to go round the pugree, horizontally, at the same level as the badge, with its ends tucked in to the folds at the back.

**0122. GROWTH OF HAIR.** The Captain is to permit all naval officers and men to wear beards and moustaches if they so desire. When permission to grow is given the use of the razor is to be discontinued entirely, as moustaches are not to be worn without the beard, or the beard without moustaches, except by non-continuous service steward and cook ratings (excluding Maltese), who may wear their beards and moustaches, or moustaches only, or be clean-shaven as each may elect. This concession applies also to Royal Fleet Reservists performing short periods of training, but not to men recalled or retained in an emergency.

2. Officers and men of the Royal Marines ashore or afloat may wear moustaches or be entirely clean-shaven, as each may elect. If the moustache is grown no part of the upper lip is to be shaven. Commanding Officers may give permission for officers and men of the Royal Marines to wear beards ashore or afloat in circumstances of extreme climatic conditions, and for special duties, or if ordered for medical reasons.

3. Hair, beards, moustaches and whiskers are to be neatly cut and trimmed and, so far as is practicable, uniformity in length is to be established.

### **0123. WEARING CIVILIAN CLOTHES**

1. **Officers** may wear civilian clothes on leave.

2. **Ratings on leave in the United Kingdom.** Civilian clothes may be worn on short leave by all ratings other than those undergoing New Entry Part I and Part II Training. All ratings may wear civilian clothes when on leave for a period of over 24 hours.

3. **In Commonwealth countries.** Civilian clothes may be worn as above at the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief. Commanders-in-Chief, Senior Officers and Commanding Officers of H.M. Ships operating independently abroad may at any time suspend this privilege if local conditions make the wearing of civilian clothes undesirable.

4. **In foreign countries** the instructions in para. 3 apply, except that officers, ratings and other ranks are not, in the absence of agreement by the local authorities, to wear uniform when on shore except in a port at which their ship is lying. When it is uncertain whether there is any prohibition on the wearing of uniform when travelling inland, inquiry is to be made of the local authorities and such permission as is necessary obtained.

5. **In the Irish Republic** it is against the law for any member of a non-Irish force to wear uniform in public without special authority. Officers, ratings and other ranks are not to travel to, or within, the Irish Republic, either on duty or leave, in uniform. When H.M. Ships call at ports in the Irish Republic on a pre-arranged visit, Commanding Officers may give permission forthwith for the ship's company to land in uniform. In the case of emergency visits the Commanding Officer should on arrival contact the British Embassy in Dublin before allowing libertymen to land in uniform.

### **6. Entering and leaving H.M. Ships and Naval establishments**

a. All ratings, other than those undergoing New Entry Part I and Part II Training, may when granted leave wear civilian clothes on proceeding out of and returning to naval establishments. This privilege, which may be exercised without the requirement of a special request, is to be withdrawn from men in the second class for conduct. On the Captain's authority it may also be withdrawn, for a period of up to 180 days, from men

- (i) who contravene the civilian clothes instructions issued by Commanders-in-Chief, Senior Officers or Commanding Officers, or who otherwise abuse the privilege;
- (ii) whose uniform kit is consistently incomplete or below standard;
- (iii) who are guilty of serious misconduct ashore.

This privilege is not to be withdrawn for any other reason.

b. Except as provided in c. and d. no man is permitted to proceed on leave from or return to any of H.M. Ships, or proceed in a Service boat, including a dockyard launch, in civilian clothes.

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### C. ROYAL MARINES OFFICERS' UNIFORM

1. **CAP.** White ribbed plastic crown and quarterings; piping round edge of crown. Two ventilation holes centrally on each side. Scarlet cloth band with welt at top and blue cloth border at bottom. Fitted with peak and chin strap. The peak to be plain except on senior officers' caps, which are to have the peak ornamented with gold-embroidered oak leaf: Majors, Lieutenant-Colonels, Colonels and Brigadiers round the front of the peak, General Officers all round. The chin strap to be of best quality black japanned calf-leather fitted with self material slides. The ends of the chin strap to be slightly rounded and secured on two buttons of gilt metal with mounted silver lion and crown; all edges of chin strap to be stained black.
2. **GREATCOAT.** Army universal pattern. Cloth, khaki drab mixture, milled and waterproofed. Double-breasted. Length 12 in. from ground. Stand and fall collar 5 in. deep (2 in. stand and 3 in. fall) fastening with two hooks and eyes; cloth tab and buttons. A  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in. inverted expanding pleat down the centre of the back from the collar to the waist, terminating under the back strap. Sleeves with loose turn-back cuffs of single material, 6 in. deep. Two large cross pockets with slightly curved flaps at the waist in front. Vertical slip for sword fitted in the left side  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. above the pocket. Pocket in the left breast placed vertically between the second and third buttons. Two rows of buttons down the front, four in each row, about  $8\frac{1}{2}$  in. apart, the rows 11 in. apart at the top and 4 in. at the bottom. Two buttons to the back slit with holes in a fly. A 2 in. cloth back strap sewn in the side seams fastened with three holes and buttons. Skirt to fasten with two tabs and buttons inside, and to run squarely all round. Coat lined to the waist only. Shoulder straps of the same material as the garment, sewn on to the shoulder at the base and fastened at the top by a small button: the top of the strap is triangular. The coat is cut below the waist with spring to form an 8 in. lap, or 4 in. on from the centre line.
3. **BLUE TUNIC.** Blue serge. Single-breasted. Cut as a lounge suit to the waist, with back seam. Fitted loosely at the chest and shoulders, but closely at the waist. Military skirt with vent to bottom edge; length of skirt 13 in. for a man 5 ft. 9 in., varying in proportion to height. Step collar, depth of opening about 3 in. Two cross patch breast pockets  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide and  $7\frac{1}{8}$  in. deep to top of the flap, box pleat in centre  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in. wide, three-pointed flap  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide and  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in. deep. Bellows pocket each side,  $9\frac{1}{4}$  in. wide at the top and  $10\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide at the bottom, 8 in. deep to top of the pocket; fastened at the top with a small button flap with button hole to cover pockets,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. deep,  $10\frac{3}{4}$  in. wide; top of pocket sewn down at the corners. Inside watch pocket. Two brass waist hooks. Four Corps buttons down the front, the bottom one just below bottom edge of belt when worn. Pointed cuffs  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide rising to 6 in. at the point, with two small buttons in buttonholes on the outside seam. Shoulder straps of the same material as the tunic, fastened with small Corps buttons. Detachable blue cloth belt, 2 in. wide, with mitred end, fastened by two-prong anodised buckle.
4. **LOVAT TROUSERS.** Fly front slide fastener closure. For wear with or without braces. Fitted with waistband tunnels, belt, belt loops and brace buttons. Two slant side pockets, one buttoning jetted hip pocket right side. Two pleats on each topside and a dart in each underside. The bottom of the legs plain but shaped. Bottom of leg should normally be 17 in. to 19 in. in measurement according to build of wearer.

### D. W.R.N.S. OFFICERS' UNIFORM

1. **GREATCOAT.** Navy blue cloth. Double-breasted. Gilt buttons, size 1, down the front equally spaced, lowest at waist, six each side, to button four: lowest button back 5 in. from the edge and fourth button 7 in. Collar and fronts made to button up to the neck if required. The usual cuts are taken out from shoulder seam to bust, also a cut at waist from lower buttonhole, to the button, extending up to third button. There is a row of stitching each side of the buttons and carried across the cuts at waist,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. width. Buttons are plugged on the right side of fronts and sewn on the left. Sleeves plain. Two pockets at the waist with flaps in line with the lowest button; one inside breast on right side. Edges single-stitched  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. off the edge. Back of coat made with a pleat right through, finished off with a 16 in. slit and fastened with one button and buttonhole. At the top of back and 5 in. below collar, the pleat is fastened with a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. diamond tack. Shaped belt at back waist with gilt

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button, size 1, and buttonhole at each end. Side slashes at side seam commencing 1 in. above belt, 10 in. long. Shoulders fitted with shoulder straps. Length of coat  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. below skirt.

2. JACKET AND SKIRT, CLOTH. Navy blue cloth. *Jacket*: Double-breasted. Panelled front. Turned-down padded collar and lapels. Four gilt buttons, size 1, to button three: the buttons are plugged on the right side and sewn on the left. Slits or vents at bottom of each side seam 5 in. deep. One outside breast pocket with welt  $\frac{7}{8}$  in. deep. An inside breast pocket on left side, two lower pockets jetted without flaps. Round cuffs, with distinction lace for rank.

*Skirt*. Materials as jacket. Fitted with slide fastener or buttons. Two inverted pleats in front stitched down to within 12 in. from bottom. Back plain, with three panels. Length to be  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. below centre of kneecap, unless otherwise ordered.

3. MESS DRESS. Midnight-blue ottoman material. Full-length evening dress with bolero.

*Dress*. Classic style with close-fitting bodice. High neck-line at the front (boat-shaped) deepening to a U-shape at the back. Full skirt lined and the skirt lining further interlined with non-woven fabric in the lower portion. Front in one piece with under-arm bust darts and front darts from hip level through the waist up to the bust. Back in two pieces with a slide fastener fitted down the centre extending from top of the dress to hip level, and a dart at each side from blade level down to the hips. Bodice lined and taped in the waist, with supporting tapes at the side seams up to the scye base, where they form a strap which passes over the shoulder and is held in place by a loop of self material sewn inside the shoulder seam.

*Bolero*. Waist length. Three-quarter-length sleeves, close fitting at the bottom and with elbow dart. The bolero is cut with a whole back and neck darts, and with the front form a two-piece dolman sleeve. A dart runs from the bust point under the arm into the side body, the top of which forms the scye base. Fronts cut with a turned-back facing. Fronts and sleeves lined white satin. At the option of the wearer, either a high, fastening, roll collar, round and pressed flat, or open-necked revers.

NOTE. With some materials it may be an advantage to reduce strain at the darts in the dress waist by reinforcement with strips of fusible lining (Deltex 51, Black  $3\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 35/36 inches) out with the fusible wrap at right angles to the warp of the dress fabric. This will help to prevent warp yarn slippage and consequent exposure of weft yarn.

### E. Q.A.R.N.N.S. OFFICERS' UNIFORM

1. DRESS, BLUE COTTON. Working dress for officers below Matron. Blue gingham. Long sleeves, slit to elbow, vent buttoning four between elbow and top of cuff, press fastener at wrist. Bodice and sleeves lined with bleached calico.

*Bodice*. Plain, opening down front to button four or five according to size: plain buttons. Small breast pocket at left side. Placket at front waist left side.

*Skirt*. Four panels at front, back and sides; front straight; back gathered at waist; three horizontal tucks around lower skirt above hem. Patch pocket at right side.

*Cape*. Shoulder length, fastening at neck. Unlined. Facing and piping for rank. Rank badge sewn to right side in angle of facing.

*Belt*. Navy blue unboned belting petersham,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide, with belt plate.

2. WORKING DRESS FOR MATRONS AND ABOVE. Navy blue serge (winter dress) or lightweight navy blue suiting (summer dress). Long sleeves.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. vent at bottom of sleeve, fastening with press studs.

*Bodice*. Opening down front fastened with press studs. Three  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. tucks each side; back plain with waist darts.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. stand collar. Bodice (only) to be lined with white crepe: lining to be detachable and fasten to dress with hooks and eyes. Bodice to be fitted into yoke. Jetted pocket inserted into waistband at right front. Placket at front waist left side.

*Skirt*. Four panels at front, back and sides; front straight with laid on seams in line with centre tucks of bodice; back to have box pleat stitched from waist to hip level.

*Cape*. Shoulder length, fastening at neck, unlined. Facing and piping for rank. Rank badge sewn to right side in angle of facing.

*Belt*. Black unboned belting petersham  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide, with belt plate.

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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
<b>General Officers</b>			
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 encumbrance, 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.	
<b>Below General Officer</b>			
	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. f. In the circumstances described in a. above officers below General Officer may, when ordered, wear No. 1 Dress without a sword.



**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.* Military assistants to C.G.R.M.; officers specifically appointed as Flag Lieutenant to the Personal Staff of officer of Flag rank or Commodore; or as A.D.C. Military Assistant of Personal Staff Officer to an officer of Flag General or Air Rank where the post is allowed by establishment; or as A.D.C. to a Governor or Lieutenant Governor.

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 are to wear the royal cypher and crown, in one piece, below their badges of rank; letters 'R.M.' are not worn. Equerries to other members of the Royal Family wear the cypher of that member in the same manner. 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 Blue and Lovat Dress on appropriate occasions.

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

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#### 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 Officers' 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 Officers' 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**

*a. Colonels Commandant.* On special occasions Colonels Commandant of the Royal Marines may wear the uniform of their rank on retirement or the approved alternative, which is General Officers' uniform with Colonels' Badges of Rank.

*b. Honorary Colonels R.M.R.* On special occasions Honorary Colonels of the R.M.R. may wear the uniform of their rank on retirement or the approved alternative which is Corps Uniform (i.e., uniform worn by Lieutenant Colonels R.M. and below) with Colonels' 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. Overalls may be worn on all appropriate musical occasions.

*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:*

**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. The following type of rank badges will be worn in the order of dress shown:

- a. *Bronze*: No. 5 Lovat Dress  
No. 8 Lovat Undress  
No. 13 Lovat Shirt Sleeve Order  
No. 11W Tropical Combat Dress (but not on combat smock).

b. *Worsted on Scarlet Background on Removable Khaki Sleeve*: No. 11 Combat Dress, and on combat smock when worn with No. 11W Tropical Combat Dress.

c. *Anodized*: Remaining orders of dress. On the R.M. raincoat, anodized badges are worn on a removable sleeve in lovat shade.

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  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. size, except on the mess jacket 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 black 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

ROYAL MARINES OFFICERS

0536. 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.

0537.-0540.

ROYAL MARINES RESERVE

0541. ROYAL MARINES 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. 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, with woven letter 'R' embroidered red on blue immediately below.
- c. Letters 'R.M.R.' are worn instead of 'R.M.'.

CHANGE 2.

**0609. ROYAL YACHT UNIFORM.** Royal Marines other ranks embarked in the Royal Yacht wear the following special dresses:

*a. Working Dress (General service ranks only).* Seamen's jersey with red chevrons or khaki shirt, as ordered, worn with blue serge trousers and gym shoes.

*b. White Uniform.* Made-to-measure white drill uniform, white gloves and white canvas shoes for wear on appropriate occasions instead of khaki drill.

*c. Blue Uniform.* A blue cloth tunic is issued on personal loan to ranks (other than Band ranks and Buglers who already have one) for wear with tweed trousers and boots, glaze, Royal Yacht. R.M. orderlies to the Royal Party are to wear a tartan tunic when required to carry out a period of Royal Duty ashore.

*d. Flashes 'Royal Yacht'.* These are provided for wear on all uniform tunics and on working Dress garments.

2. Full details of the scale of gratuitous and personal loan issues are shown in B.R.93 *Victualling Manual*.

**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.** A scarlet or white mess jacket may be worn on certain formal occasions on an optional basis by:

*a.* All S.N.C.O.s serving in R.M. Establishments and units.

*b.* Colour Sergeants and above serving in H.M. Ships and R.N. Establishments both home and overseas.

*c.* Sergeants serving in H.M. Ships and R.N. Establishments in tropical areas on occasions when the white mess jacket is authorized for Petty Officers (see Art. 0412).

The scarlet or white mess jacket may be worn in temperate climates and white mess jackets in tropical climates. The following will constitute the order of dress:

Scarlet or white mess jacket (see Art. 0625.28)

Black bow tie

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

No. 1 dress blue trousers

Black socks

Black leather shoes uniform pattern

Scarlet silk kamarband

Miniature globe and laurels on each lapel

Miniature medals on left lapel

Miniature badges of rank, embroidered gold on scarlet on right sleeves, chevrons to be 2 in. wide on scarlet background.

The following badges, embroidered gold, or silver and gold on scarlet, may also be worn by those entitled:

King's badge, miniature, on left sleeve 2 in. below shoulder seam

Parachutist badge, miniature on right sleeve 2 in. below shoulder seam

Light Aircraft Pilots' badge, miniature, on left lapel below globe and laurel

R.M. Observer badge, full size, on left sleeve  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above cuff.

2. The 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.

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 & 2 Dresses)	Cap badge Buttons Collar badges  Letters R.M. (not worn on Band and Buglers' cloth tunics). Rank badges  Branch badge. (Band and Buglers only.) Good conduct badges (not worn on Band and Buglers' cloth tunics). King's badge and Royal Yacht badge Pilot and Parachutist badges	Anodized Anodized Anodized, except on Band and Buglers' full dress tunics, which have embroidered collar badges. Anodized  Chevrons gold on scarlet. Other badges gold on blue. <u>Gold on blue</u> ← Gold on scarlet  Gold on blue Gold and silver on blue

DRESS	BADGES WORN	COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS
Lovat tunic (Nos. 3 & 4 Dresses)	Cap/beret badge Buttons Collar badges Letters R.M. Rank badge Branch badge S.Q. and Skill badges (optional on No. 4 Tunic). King's badge and Royal Yacht badge Parachutist badge Pilot and Observer badges	Anodized Bronze Bronze Bronze Gold on green Gold on green Gold on green Gold on green Gold on green Gold on green Gold and silver on blue
Khaki drill tunic (No. 6 Dress)	Cap badge Buttons Letters R.M. Rank badge          Branch badge. (Band and Buglers only.) Good conduct badges King's badge Parachutist badge Pilot and Observer badges Royal Yacht badge	Anodized Anodized Anodized R.M.S., Q.M.S. and Bandmaster—Anodized Staff Bandmaster—Gold on blue Bugle Q.M.S. Bugle Major, Drum Major—Chevrons gold on scarlet, bugle and drum gold on blue. Other ranks—khaki on khaki drill. Khaki on khaki drill
White tunic (Royal Yacht)	Cap badge Buttons Letters R.M. Rank badge King's badge and Royal Yacht badge Good conduct badges	Khaki on khaki drill Khaki on khaki drill Light blue on khaki drill Gold and silver on blue White on blue Anodized Anodized Anodized Gold on blue Gold on blue
Combat dress smock (No. 11 Dress)	Beret badge Rank badge Pilot's badge	Red on white Bronze Khaki on khaki serge Light blue on khaki
Khaki shirt (Nos. 3A, 7, 8A, 10, 10B and 12 Dresses)	Cap/beret badge   Letters R.M.   Rank badge*	Bronze with No. 12 Dress, anodized with remainder. Bronze with Nos. 3A, 8A and 12 Dresses, anodized with Nos. 7, 10 and 10B. White on khaki on arm. Anodized on wristlet.
Light blue shirt (Nos. 8 and 10A Dresses)	Beret badge Letters R.M. Rank badge*	Anodized Anodized Red on blue on arm. Anodized on wristlet.

DRESS	BADGES WORN	COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS
White shirt (Cooks' working dress)	Cap badge Rank badge*	Anodized Red on white on arm. Anodized on wristlet.
Denim overall blouse (No. 9 Dress)	Beret badge Rank badge*	Anodized Khaki on khaki on arm. Anodized on wristlet.
Heavy wool jersey	Rank badge*	Black on olive drab on arm. Anodized on wristlet.
Greatcoat	Buttons Letters R.M. Rank badges	Anodized Anodized Khaki on khaki serge
R.M. raincoat	Rank badges	White on lovat
P.T.I.s' gymnasium vest and sweater	S.Q. badge	Red on white

\*Worn by Colour Sergeant and below on arm, above Colour Sergeant on wristlet.

**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.-0645.

#### ROYAL MARINES RESERVE

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

- Khaki battledress (with medal ribbons) is worn instead of lovat dress.
- 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, with woven letter 'R' embroidered red on blue, immediately below.
- Letters 'R.M.R.' are worn instead of 'R.M.'