

1. The King's Badge. The King's badge was initiated by His Majesty King George V in 1918. The badge is presented to the best all-round recruit of each new intake at the Royal Marines Commando Training Centre at Lympstone, during the passing out parade. The recipient of the badge must have reached an established standard in drill, smartness, physical fitness, education and leadership. When the badge was first presented by His Majesty he expressed the wish that it should be worn on all forms of dress.

2. Prince's Badge. On 9 March 1978 His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, to mark the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his appointment as the Captain General Royal Marines and in recognition of the service provided for him by the Royal Marines, directed that the best all-round Musician or Bugler from each annual intake should be awarded the Cypher 'PP' surrounded by a lyre and referred to as "The Prince's Badge". He further directed that this emblem be worn throughout the man's service in the Royal Marines in every rank.

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3. Badges suitable for wear on the Jersey Wool Heavy have been ordered and with immediate effect (as soon as the badges are available) the King's and Prince's badge are to be worn on the Jersey Wool Heavy on the left arm 2" below the shoulder seam. Badges will be issued free to those currently entitled and on the occasion of the award in future. Thereafter, maintenance is to be from KUA.