

General

There is a requirement in the Royal Marines for ORs trained in Heavy Weapons. Such specialists will be employed in the Heavy Weapons Troops in Commands or at Commando School RM.

2. There are four standards for this specialist qualification:-

- (a) HW 1  
Able to command and to control the fire of a section of 3 inch Mortars and a section of LMG. Able to instruct in all aspects of both weapons.
- (b) HW 2  
Able to command and to control the fire of either a section of 3" Mortars or a section of LMG and able to instruct in the weapon concerned. Able to operate the alternative weapon as No.1.
- (c) HW 3  
Able to operate both weapons as No.1. Limited knowledge of fire control enabling him to take charge of a LMG or 3 inch Mortar detachment as an understudy.
- (d) Passed Basic Heavy Weapons Course  
Trained in gun, sub-section, and section drill in both weapons and able to take his place as a member of a Heavy Weapons Troop.

Courses

3. Qualifying courses are carried out at Commando School RM.

4. Details of courses are as follows :-

<u>Type of Course</u>	<u>Duration</u> (Weeks)	<u>Qualification</u> <u>obtained</u>
HW 1	7	HW 1
HW 2	9	HW 2
HW 3	4	HW 3
Basic	6	Passed Heavy Weapons

Documentation

- 5. (a) PRORM will keep a list of all ranks with HW qualifications.
- (b) Commando School RM is to publish Part II Orders in respect of ranks attaining HW qualifications.
- (c) Results of courses will be entered on Training and Employment Sheets.

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6. As laid down in RMRI.

(RMRO 112/50 is cancelled)

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