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## 2327 DRESS REGULATIONS: OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES.

### DRESS REGULATIONS FOR OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL MARINES.

1. General Officers of the Royal Marines wear the same uniform as is prescribed for General Officers of the Army.

2. The undermentioned Royal Marine Officers will wear armlets of following patterns:—

*Officers employed at the Admiralty*.—Red, white and red armlets with gilt metal Tudor crown and gilt metal anchor and the following letter in  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. black cloth below the anchor—

General Staff, Royal Marines .. A.  
Naval Staff .. .. .. G.

*Staff of Commanders-in-Chief and Senior Naval Officers*.—Red armlet with gilt metal anchor and the following letters in  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. black cloth—

Fleet Royal Marine Officers .. R.M.  
Intelligence, War Staff, Base  
Intelligence Officers .. .. G.  
W.T. Officers .. .. .. W.T.

*Brigade Majors of R.M. Divisions and Dep'ts R.M., Deal*.—Blue armlet with letters "R.M." in  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. black cloth.

Armlets will be of cloth  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. wide, with distinctive lettering in black cloth. Anchor, Admiralty pattern, to be  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. in length. Crown to be  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. in height. They will be worn by Officers on the right arm above the elbow in blue or khaki service dress.

3. The above Officers, except Brigade Majors and W.T. Officers, will wear an aguilllette (Army pattern) in Review Order.

4. Pending the issue of regulations as to Full Dress, an Officer of the Royal Marines who is A.D.C. to the Sovereign shall wear the same uniform as is prescribed for an Artillery or Infantry A.D.C. according to the Branch of the Corps to which the Officer originally belonged.

Officers of the Royal Marines who have held the appointment of A.D.C. will be permitted to retain the Royal Cypher and Crown on the shoulder straps of all uniform garments after vacating the appointment. The Royal Cypher and Crown will be worn in the manner prescribed in the Dress Regulations for the Army.

5. *Badges of Rank*.—The rank of Officers is to be distinguished by badges worn on the shoulder-boards—shoulder-straps, unless otherwise ordered, as follows:—

Colonel	Crown and three stars.
Colonel 2nd Commandant	Crown with two stars below.
Lieut.-Colonel	Crown with one star below.
Major ..	Crown.
Captain ..	Three stars.
Lieutenant ..	Two stars.
2nd Lieutenant,	
2nd Lieutenants	
on probation,	
and Commissioned Officers	
from Warrant Rank ..	One star.
Warrant Officers ..	No badges of rank.

Badges of rank to be 1 in.

#### 6. COLONELS COMMANDANT AND SECOND COMMANDANT.

Cocked Hat and Plume  
Trousers and Pantaloons .. .. ..  
Boots .. .. ..  
Sash .. .. ..  
Sword and Hiltband .. .. ..  
Sword Belt Slings and Knot .. .. ..

As described in  
Dress Regula-  
tions for the  
Army (1911),  
pages 27, 28.

Tunic .. .. ..  
Greatcoat .. .. ..

Patterns now in possession  
of Officers to be worn on  
the specified occasions pending  
further instructions.

*Frock Coat*.—Blue cloth, double-breasted, with stand-up collar, and round cuffs  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches deep. A slash with three points and three small regimental buttons on each sleeve; the slash to be 6 inches long at the forearm seam and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches long at the end points, and to be 2 inches broad at the narrowest parts and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches broad at each of the three points. Two rows of regimental buttons down the front, six in each row, 8 inches apart at top and 4 inches apart at the waist. A side edge behind on each skirt half the depth of the skirt, two regimental buttons on each side edge and one at each side of the waist. Shoulder-straps to be attached by an underpiece passed through a loop on the lower part of the shoulder, fastened at the top by a small regimental button which passes through both underpiece and strap; the top of the strap is triangular, the sides being about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches long and the bottom about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch from the centre point. Badges of rank and collar badges the same as for the serge frock. Collar, cuffs, slashes, and shoulder-straps to be of the same material as the coat.

With the frock coat the full dress sash is to be worn.

Other articles of dress to be of regimental pattern. On the serge frock, Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant will wear scarlet gorget patches with crimson gimp cord and small buttons, and no letters "R.M." A gold embroidered lion and crown badge will be worn on the cap, which will have no scarlet we troud crown.

#### II.—UNIFORM FOR ALL OFFICERS OF ROYAL MARINES UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

1. *Full Dress*. Officers for the present are not required to provide themselves with full dress clothing. On occasions when full dress clothing is authorised to be worn, officers are permitted to wear full dress clothing of the patterns authorised prior to the amalgamation of the Corps.

2. *Helmet, universal pattern*.—Cork, covered with white cloth or fine drill in six seams, bound with buff leather at the bottom; above the peak (which is pointed) and running round the helmet, a buff leather band  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch wide.

The head piece let in with zigzag ventilator.

Brown leather chin straps, gilt side hooks. At top of helmet a gilt collar  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch wide to receive ball and base. Gilt ball in a leaf cap on a bright gilt dome base, the diameter of which is  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches full, and the circumference at point of contact with helmet 6 inches. A zinc button, covered with white cloth is worn on all occasions when the ball is not used.

The plate to be a gilt 8-pointed star with dead and bright rays with crown above; on the star to be mounted a dead gilt laurel wreath and saw pierced garter with regimental motto "Per Mare per Terram," above the garter a gilt scroll "Gibraltar," and below it a gilt anchor, and in the centre a silver globe. Under the saw pierced garter, blue enamel.

The bottom central ray of the plate is to come half way over the leather band. Khaki cover for Active Service.

9. Cap.—Cap, forage, universal (Army) pattern. Blue cloth with scarlet band and wale, scarlet wale round crown. The gilt buttons to be of the lion and crown pattern (special). The peak to be ornamented with gold embroidered oak leaf for Field Officers and plain for other Officers. The badge to be worn in front on the red band to consist of a gilt metal laurel wreath surrounding a silver globe, and to be surrounded by gilt metal Lion and Crown half way up the rim of the cap, which is to be stiffened in front at an angle of 45°.

On the Service Dress Cap the badge will be a Globe and Laurel surmounted by Lion and Crown in bronze metal.

White Cap covers when worn are to reach to the top of the red band; the metal Lion and Crown is to be worn outside the cap cover. The material for White Cap covers is to be piqué.

10. Frock, Serge.—Blue angola, tartan or serge, single-breasted, cut as a lounge coat to the waist with back seam, very loose at the chest and shoulders, but fitted at the waist; military skirt to bottom edge; length of skirt, 13 inches for a man 5 feet 9 inches, varying in proportion to height; step collar, depth of opening about 3 inches; two cross-patch breast-pockets above, 6½ inches wide and 4½ inches deep to top of the lap, box pleat in centre 2½ inches wide, three-pointed flap 6½ inches wide and 2½ inches deep; two expanding pockets below the waist plait at the sides, 9½ inches wide at the top and 10½ inches at the bottom, 8 inches deep to top of the pocket and fastened at the top with a small button, lap with button-hole to cover pockets, 8½ inches deep, 10½ inches wide. The top of the pocket should be sewn down at the corners in such a manner that on service the pocket can be expanded at the top also; inside watch pocket with leather tab above for chain or strap. Two brass waist-hoops, four regimental buttons down front, the bottom one just below the bottom edge of skirt when worn. Gilt metal letters "R.M." on shoulder-straps. Pointed cuffs, 2½ inches wide, turning to 5 inches at the point; with 2 small buttons on outside seam; shoulder straps of the same material as the frock, fastened with a small regimental button; badges of rank in metal. Collar badge, gilt metal laurel surrounding silver globe to be worn on the step of the collar. To be lined if not, as required, with lining of similar colour to the frock.

11. Trousers.—Blue serge or tartan, with a scarlet ½-inch wide down each side seam.

Overalls, blue cloth, with scarlet wale as above, and black leather footstraps are to be worn when Wellington boots are worn.

12. Riding Breeches (for mounted duties only).—Blue cloth of present service dress pattern with 1½-inch scarlet wale down each side seam.

13. Boots.

(a) All Officers, except Warrant Officers—Black calf Wellington Boots for Levees and Mess Dress, and by mounted Officers for parade purposes when overalls are worn. May be worn on other occasions unless otherwise ordered.

(b) All Officers—Ankle laced boots with plain toe cap are to be worn by all Officers in marching and drill order and on other occasions when permitted.

(c) Oxford Shoes, patent leather, plain fronts will be worn by Commissioned Officers in white Mess Dress only and by Warrant Officers and Schoolmasters' all ranks in Mess Dress.

4. leggings.

Mounted Officers.—Black grained leather, Infantry Officers pattern.

Other Officers.—Khaki puttees.

15. Great Coat—Drab mixture cloth, milled and waterproofed, double-breasted, to reach just below the point of the knees, 18 to 20 inches slit at back, with small saddle flap. Turn down collar 2½ inches deep, with lapel and slip, fastening with an hook and eye; four large buttons on each side, three to button and one under turn; two bottom pockets with flaps, one inside breast pocket at each side, sword slit at left side; loose turnback cuffs of single material, 4½ inches deep, shoulder-straps of the same material as the garment and fastened with small button. Badges of rank and buttons in gilt metal. Gilt letters, "R.M." on shoulder straps. The collar is provided with a cloth tab to button across the opening at the throat when required. The coat is lined with drab flannel.

#### 16. Drill Clothing.

(a) Khaki Drill Tunic.—To be made of khaki drill of the same pattern as Blue Serge Frock, para. 10. All badges as on Blue Serge Frock.

(b) Khaki Drill Trousers.—Of similar pattern to Blue serge Trousers (para. 11), but without wale.

17. Mess Dress—Jacket.—Scarlet cloth, blue cloth cuffs and roll collar (no shoulder straps); cuffs round, 2½ inches deep; four small buttons gilt with Lion and crown mounted in silver in front, dummy button holes. Corps' badges and badges of rank in gilt metal on each side of roll collar, except the globe, which will be silver.

Mess Vest.—Blue cloth, plain roll collar, four small buttons (special), pocket each side.

White Mess Jacket.—Plain white drill, similar in pattern to Scarlet Mess Jacket, and having the same badges.

White Mess Vest.—Plain white drill, similar in pattern to the Blue Vest.

NOTE.—Officers in possession of R.M.A. pattern Mess Dress are permitted to wear it until replacement is necessary.

18. Waterproof Coat.—Khaki coloured Gabardine, Army pattern, double-breasted, with waist-belt, shoulder-straps, with badges of rank. Two detachable linings, one of oiled linen, another of fleece, optional.

19. Drab Service Dress.—As laid down for Officers of the Army vide Dress Regulations for the Army. Cap and Collar badges as described in para. 9 and 10, but in bronze (Patterns of badges can be seen at Admiralty Pattern Rooms).

20. 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 inches long and 1 inch wide at the shoulder; hilt, total length of to 3½ inches; grip, total length, 5 inches to 5½ inches to suit the size of the hand; weight, from 1 lb. 11 oz. to 1 lb. 12 oz., without scabbard.

NOTE.—Officers in possession of R.M.A. pattern are permitted to wear the sword during service.

Scabbard.—Leather for use with "Sam Browne" belt to be the same as that described in the Army Dress Regulations.

21. Sword Belt and Knot.—"Sam Browne" pattern as prescribed by Army Regulations.

When not in Marching Order or on active service Officers will wear one brace only of the "Sam Browne" belt. It will be worn diagonally over the right shoulder. The frog will only be worn when the sword is worn.

33. *Gloves.*

- (a) For dress occasions—White kid with two buttons.
- (b) For undress occasions—Brown degakin with two buttons, but when in white clothing, brown gloves will not be worn unless ordered. Gloves will not be worn in fighting or manoeuvre order.

33. *Collars.*—White double collars, not to exceed 2 inches or be less than 1½ inches in height, and white shirts to be worn with the blue serge frock. Soft white double collars may be worn on the occasions laid down in the orders of dress, page 282a.

34. *Tie.*—A black silk tie to be worn with the blue serge frock, to be fastened in a "sailor's knot."

35. *Haversack* to be of the same colour and dimensions as is prescribed for Non-Commissioned Officers and men. When worn to be attached by two small leather straps with spring hooks to the rings on "Sam Browne" belt.

36. *Spurs.*—With Wellington boots mounted Officers will wear steel swan neck box spurs. With other boots they will wear light hunting spurs of Army pattern; in review order, steel chains; in other orders, black straps and shields.

37. *Water-bottle.*—Corps pattern. When worn to be suspended from "Sam Browne" belt on right side by two leather runners (on half) with spring hooks.

38. *Whistle and Cord.*—Whistle: White metal (Army Pattern). Cord: (Army Pattern), the colour being blue. When worn, the cord to be looped over the left shoulder, the whistle being carried in the left breast pocket.

39. *Field Glasses*, when carried, are to be secured by two leather loops on back of case through which the belt is passed.

## III.—SECOND LIEUTENANTS.

40. Will wear the uniform prescribed for other Officers of the Corps. (See page 284 for particulars as to when the various articles of clothing are to be provided.)

## IV.—COMMISSIONED OFFICERS FROM WARRANT RANK AND WARRANT OFFICERS.

41. Will be dressed similarly to Officers with the following exceptions:—

- (a) *Trousers.*—Overalls will not be worn.
- (b) *Boots.*—Wellington boots will not be worn. Black patent leather Oxford shoes will be worn with Mess Dress in lieu.

## V. SCHOOLMASTERS.

42. *Cap.*—As described in paragraph 9, with gilt metal laurel surrounding silver globe, no lion and crown.

43. *Serge Frock.*—As described in paragraph 10, no shoulder letters.

44. *Mess Dress.*—

*Jacket.* As in paragraph 17, but of No. 1 Blue Serge. Globe and laurel collar badges.

*Past.* As in paragraph 17, but of No. 1 Blue Serge.

45. *Trousers.*—As in paragraph 11, but overalls will not be worn.

46. *Boots.*—As in paragraph 18, but Wellington boots will not be worn. Black patent leather Oxford shoes will be worn with Mess Dress in lieu.

47. *Great Coat.*—As described in paragraph 15, no shoulder letters.

## VI. ROYAL MARINE BAND.

48. *Cop.*—As described in paragraph 9, with walt round crown of same material as cap and scarlet band. Badge, gilt metal laurel wreath surrounding silver globe, and surmounted by gilt metal lyre.

49. *Serge Frock.*—As described in paragraph 10, collar badge, gilt lyre with motto "Per Mare per

Terra," on scroll, letters "R.M.B." on straps.

50. *Mess Dress.*—As described in paragraph 18, with buttons and collar badges as for Serge.

White Mess Jacket and Vest of same pattern of White Drill.

51. *Boots.*—As in paragraph 18. Wellington boots will not be worn by Warrant Officers, who will wear black patent leather Oxford shoes with Mess Dress in lieu.

52. *Trousers.*—As in paragraph 11. Overalls will not be worn by Warrant Officers.

53. *Leggings.*—Naval Officers' pattern.

54. *Great Coat.*—As described in paragraph 18, but with letters "R.M.B." on shoulder straps.

55. The Quarter-master R.M. Band, will wear the pattern Uniform as prescribed for R.M.B. Officers.

## VII.—HORSE FURNITURE.

56. Mounted officers of the Royal Marines are to use the same pattern saddlery as described in Dress Regulations for the Army, 1911.

Brow bands and rosettes in Review Order to blue.

Swords to be carried on the saddle by mounted officers in all mounted orders of dress other than Review Order.

## VIII.—GENERAL NOTES.

57. Paymasters, Barrackmasters, and Quartermasters are to wear the same pattern uniforms as other Officers of corresponding rank.

58. Officers on the Retired List whose names appear in the Navy List may wear the uniform of their rank which was regulation at the time they retired, or they may wear the latest pattern uniform, but in such case the letter "R" is to be worn on the shoulder cords or shoulder straps, immediately below the badges of rank.

In Service Dress the letter "R" will be worn on the step of the collar below the collar badges.

59. Officers of the Royal Marines are to conform strictly to the provisions of the King's Regulations for the Army in regard to the different orders of dress, unless otherwise provided for by special order for the Royal Marines. When embarked they will conform to the orders for the dress of Naval Officers as far as possible, but in all cases will wear dress similar to their men when on duty with them.

60. Officers are not permitted to appear in their uniforms at Fancy Dress Balls. By the term "Uniform" in this order is meant the dress prescribed by existing regulations in force, and it is not intended to debar Officers from wearing at fancy dress balls uniforms of obsolete pattern which may correctly be described as fancy dress.

61. For mourning a band of crape, ¾ inches wide is to be worn above the left elbow.

62. Information regarding patterns of uniform or equipment for Officers of Royal Marines can be obtained on application at the Office of the Adjutant-General, Royal Marines, 47, Victoria St., S.W. 1.

## IX.—MEDALS AND MEDAL RIBBONS.

63. Medals and Medal Ribbons are to be worn as laid down in Dress Regulations for Officers of the Army.

64. When Medals are worn in Service Dress (blue or khaki) the bar is to be so suspended as to cover the Medal Ribbons already attached to the garment.

65. Decorations, &c., are to be worn with khaki drill under the regulations laid down for Naval Officers with white clothing on page 280.

66. Miniature Medals will be worn in Mess Dress on the lapel of the jacket immediately below the Corps Badge. They are not to extend beyond the lapel on the inner side.

## IX.—ORDER OF DRESS, OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES.

(Numbers are assigned to the several dresses for convenience when referring to them by signal.)

Dresses.	Occasions when to be worn.	Remarks.
No. 1—Review Order Full Dress.	Full Dress Head Dress. Cloth Tunic. Overalls. Wellington Boots. Sword Belt and Knot. Sword and Steel Scabbard. Waist Sach, R.M.L.I. White Kid Gloves.	Ceremonial occasions. Naval and General Courts Martial, when parading with men when No. 1 is dress of the day. Official or public balls, dinners, and evening receptions when ordered, on which occasions all Officers, except Warrant Officers, will wear Overalls and Calf Wellingtons.
No. 2—Marching Order.	Helmet if ordered. Serge Frock. Serge Trousers. Forage Cap. Black Ankle Boots. Khaki Puttees (when specially ordered). Sam Browne Belt and Frog, with 2 Straps, Sword and Scabbard. White Soft Shirt. White Soft Collar. Black Tie. Whistle and Lanyard. Haversack. Waterbottle. Brown Dogskin Gloves. Field Glasses. Revolver and Pouch	Guards on Shore, Inspections, Changes of Station.
No. 3—Drill Order	Serge Frock. Serge Trousers. Forage Cap. Sam Browne Belt and Sword. Black Ankle Boots. Brown Gloves. Whistle. White Soft Shirt. White Soft Collar. Black Tie. Haversack. Waterbottle. } if ordered. Field Glasses. Puttees.	Parades, Drills, Regimental duty, Guard duties when embarked, entertainments on shore when Review Order is not worn. Officer of Guard on all occasions and Officer of Watch in Harbour.
No. 4—Mess Dress	Mess Jacket. Mess Waistcoat. Overalls. Calf Wellingtons. Stiff White Shirt. Stiff White Collar, butterfly pattern. Black Tie.	Dining at Naval and Military Messes and at the table of Flag Officers and Officers of corresponding rank, and at Naval and Military evening Dances and Entertainments (unless Full Dress is ordered).

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## ORDER OF DRESS, OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES--continued.

Dresses.	Occasions when to be worn.	Remarks.	
No. 4—Review Order in Hot Climates	Full Dress Head Dress. Tunic, khaki drill. Trousers, khaki drill. Drab Soft Collar. Drab Soft Shirt. Drab Tie. Full Dress Sword Belt and Knot. Sword and Steel Scabbard. Gloves, brown dogskin. Black Boots.	As for No. 1.	Mounted Officers— mounted Drab Breeches, Black A Boots, Leggings, Spurs.
No. 5—Drill Order in Hot Climates	As for No. 4, but with Sam Browne Belt, articles of equipment being added as required. Helmet or Forage Cap as ordered.	As for No. 2.	Trousers or Riding Breeches and Puttees as ordered.
No. 6—White Mess Order	White Mess Jacket. White Mess Vest. Blue Cloth Trousers. Black patent leather Oxford Shoes. Black Socks. Shirt, Collar and Tie as in No. 4.	As for No. 4.	—
No. 8—Fighting Order	Head Dress as ordered. Drab Service or Khaki Drill. Tunic as ordered. Drab Riding Breeches, or drill shorts. Puttees. Sam Browne Belt or Web. Equipment as ordered.	Active Service, Training, Landing Parties.	Mounted Officers—Black Leggings, Spurs.

### NOTES.

- 1.—In Review Order Sword Scabbards will not be hooked up, except when carrying the Colours.
- 2.—Tassels of Sash are to be just behind the front sling of Sword Belt.
- 3.—Sam Browne Belt will be worn with one brace over right shoulder, except in No. 2 or No. 8 Dress, when two braces will be worn.
- 4.—Spurs will not be worn on board Ship.
- 5.—Officers on General Staff of Corps serving at Admiralty, on staffs of Commander-in-Chief and Admirals ashore and afloat, and Brigade Majors will wear Residential Uniform. They will wear Armlets (see para. 2, page 2227), when in Undress. In Review Order they will wear Aiguillettes, except Brigade Majors and W.T. Officers.
- 6.—Officers of the Special Reserve will provide themselves with Dress No. 3 and 8 only. For Mess Order, full Evening Dress (Plain Clothes), or Mess Dress will be optional.
- 7.—Letters R.M. in gilt metal to be worn on shoulder straps, below badges of rank, on Blue and Khaki Undress and Great Coat.
- 8.—Swords will be worn by all Officers in accordance with para. 1708 (II) and (III) K.R. and O.A.

DRESS REGULATIONS FOR ROYAL MARINES, SERVING IN  
H.M. SHIPS AND ON SHORE.

## In England and Temperate Climates.

## In Hot Climates.

	Dress.	Articles.	Current Date	Occasions when worn.	Dress	Articles.	Current Date
1	Review Order.	Full dress head dress, cloth tunic, tweed trousers, waist belt (buff), Staff Sgt., Cr. Sgt., and Sgt. maces, Great coat, Rifle, Side arms, Equipment.	1	State ceremonies, special inspections, Guards of Honour, Naval and General Courts Martial, Funerals, (a) when at Head Quarters on Sundays; (b) when serving afloat only during Divisions and Church on Sunday on board in harbour. On other occasions when seamen wear No. 1 R.M. wear No. 2.	2	Khaki drill tunics and trousers, remainder as in No. 1. Staff Sgt., Cr. Sgt., and Sgt. maces.	2
2	Undress Order.	Forage cap, blue serge tunic, tweed trousers, waist belt (buff), Cr. Sgt. and Sgt. maces.	3	Parades ashore and afloat, Guards afloat wear waist-belts and side-arms only.	6a	As for No. 1, but with khaki drill, forage cap and white cover or helmet as ordered.	7
3	Drill Order.	Forage cap, blue serge tunic, serge trousers, waist belts, two braces, two cartridge carriers, Rifle, Side arms, Puttees if ordered.	8	All ordinary drills and parades ashore and afloat. Guards afloat to wear waist-belts and side-arms only.	8	As for No. 3 but with khaki drill. Forage cap with white cover or helmet as ordered.	8
4	Night Clothing.	Cap, blue serge tunic, serge or tweed trousers.	4	Night clothing and wet weather.	—	—	—
5	Fatigue Dress.	Forage cap and white cover, khaki drill suit.	5	Working parties, fatigues, and other duties when better clothing would be spoiled.	—	—	—
6	Overall Dress.	Blue jean combination suit.	6	Coaling, refitting and dirty work ashore and Artificers in barracks, laundry on board.	—	—	—
10	Marching Order.	Forage cap, full dress head dress if ordered, blue serge tunic, tweed trousers, khaki puttees (when specially ordered) rifle, side arms, full equipment.	—	Inspections, embarkations, changes of station, guards on shore and as ordered.	10a	As for No. 10 but with khaki drill. Forage cap with white cover or helmet as ordered.	—
11	Fighting Orders.	Cap, service dress, helmet or shrapnel helmet as ordered, drab service suit, puttees. Equipments as for No. 10, with or without pack as ordered.	—	Active service, manœuvres, landing from ships and as ordered.	11a	As for No. 11 with khaki drill in lieu of drab serge. Helmet with khaki cover or as ordered.	—

## NOTES.

Royal Marines will wear blue suit or khaki drill suit as may be ordered, when Seamen are wearing half whites.

1a. Helmets will be worn on changes of station, embarking, and disembarking. Afloat they will always be worn for guards and divisions when No. 1 dress is ordered, and in all orders of dress if ordered. On service abroad the helmet will take the place of the cap when ordered. The metal ball is to be worn when serving on shore at home. The buckle of leather chin strap is worn on right cheek and the strap is always worn on duty. When serving afloat the metal ball is to be worn on all ceremonial occasions, i.e., when No. 1 or No. 6 Dress is worn. The zinc top is to be worn on all other occasions when the white helmet is worn. The khaki helmet cover is for wear with No. 1a dress. When the helmet is worn, the cap may be packed in the canvas bag, kit bag or pack, or carried in the haversack, as ordered.

1. Equipment.—When the buff pouch is worn, it will be in centre of back for ceremonial and drill and on right side when ammunition is carried.

2. Great coat.—The waist belt will be worn underneath the great coat when off duty and when walking out.

3a. Gloves will only be worn on duty in cold weather. Sergeants and above, may have the option of wearing brown leather gloves for walking out. Band Masters 1st and 2nd Class, R.M.B., may also wear such gloves on duty.

4. Mourning.—If men, for private reasons, are desirous of wearing mourning, they may cover the third button of tunic or second of serge tunic with crapes.

5. Sergeants' Sashes will be worn in No. 1 and No. 6 dress and orderly duty, and in walking-out dress; they will not be worn outside the great coat.

6. Whistles are to be carried by Sergeants and Corporals, in Marching Order, Infantry Drills and Maneuvres.

7. GUARDS AND SENTRIES AFLOAT.—(a) Guards of Honour and when Royal Salutes are to be given (without regard to the dress of the day).—No. 1 or No. 6. (b) Ordinary Guards on other occasions.—No. 3, or No. 8 (or the dress of the day when that is No. 1, or No. 2 or corresponding dresses in hot climates). Sunday Routine—See note 12. (c) At Sea or between Islands—No. 2 or No. 8, with side arms (except in dynamo fits). (d) Sentries when coaling Ship—No. 5 or 8 with side arms.

8. Band.—The musicians' dress will correspond to that worn by other Marines and be similar to the Guard when parading with them. The cross belt and pouch will always be worn when landed for drill, parading with guard, or No. 1 or No. 6 dress when on duty.

9. Naval Plaques or Patches.—No. 2, with web belts. Frogs, puttees, etc., when specially ordered.

10. W.R. Attendants when sent on shore on duty for their masters are to wear uniform.

11. Liberty Men.—Caps will be worn for walking on in temperate climates. No. 1 or No. 6a dress will be worn for leave. The greatcoat may be worn in wet or cold weather. Short canes are to be carried when walking out. Bundles are not to be carried in the streets; when it is necessary to take a few things on shore, the haversack, kit bag or pack may be utilised, or a small neat parcel be carried.

12. Sunday Routine.—When in cloth clothing, tunics may be worn at the conclusion of Divine Service, except Guards and Dutyman, who remain in the dress of the day till sunset.

13.—Postmen are to be properly dressed in No. 6 or 8 dress without belts. It is permissible to wear black oilskins in bad weather.

14. White cap covers will be worn by Royal Marines when embarked, on all occasions when Seamen are wearing cap covers. Ashore, or on Home Stations, cap covers are to be worn from 1st May to 30th September inclusive.

15. Medals are to be worn on Service Dress (blue or khaki), when Review order is ordered. Medals will be worn in the order laid down in K.R. and A.I., Art. 187, suspended from a single bar which is to be attached to the garment immediately above the Medal Ribbons, so as to cover them.

The length of Ribbons is to be so regulated that the lower edge of the Decorations and Medals are in line with the lower edge of the Medal having the largest number of clasps. In this case there will be not less than half an inch from the uppermost clasp to the top of the Ribbon having the largest number of clasps.

If no clasps are worn the lower edges of the Decorations and Medals are to be in line with the lower edge of the British War Medal, which medal is to be suspended from a ribbon one and a half inches in length.

When Medals cannot, on account of their length, be suspended so as to be freely seen, they are to overlap the senior Medal or Decoration showing in full.

16. Medal Ribbons.—Are to be sewn on the garments specified above, and are to be  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in length. They are not to overlap, and when there is not sufficient room to wear them in one row, they are to be worn in two or more rows, the bottom edge of the lowest row being  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch above the upper edge of the pocket with  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch interval between the rows. When three or more Ribbons are worn, the inner edge of the first Ribbon is to be one inch back from the line of the ends of the button holes. The Ribbons are to be sewn on in proper sequence, the senior Decoration or Medal commencing from the inner edge of the top row. When two or more rows are worn, the upper rows are to be completed first.

When there are two rows of Ribbons, and a less number of Ribbons in the second or subsequent rows, the shorter rows are to be arranged centrally below the top row.

When less than three ribbons are worn, the centre of the Ribbon or Ribbons is to be vertically above the button on the pocket flap.