

DRESS REGULATIONS FOR OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL MARINES.

NOTE:—Post War Amendments have not been embodied in these Regulations.

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

General Officers, Royal Marines, appointed Honorary Colonels Commandant of R.M. Divisions, may, on special occasions, wear regimental uniform with badges of rank of Colonel.

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

Commissioned Officers employed at the Admiralty.—

Red, white and red armlets with gilt metal Tudor crown and gilt metal anchor and the following letter in $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. black cloth below the anchor—

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

Officer Commanders-in-Chief and Senior Naval Officers.—Red armlet with gilt metal anchor and the following letters in $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. black cloth—

Fleet Royal Marine Officers	..	R.M.
Staff Officers (Operations or Intelligence)	..	G.
W/T Officers	..	W.T.

Brigade Majors at R.M. Divisions and Depot R.M. Deal.—Blue armlet with letters "B.M." in $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. black cloth.

Armlets will be of cloth $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide with distinctive lettering in black cloth. Anchor, Admiralty pattern, to be 1 in. in length. Crown to be $\frac{1}{2}$ -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 W.T. Officers, will wear an aiguillette (Army pattern) in Review and Undress Orders.

4. An Officer of the Royal Marines who is A.D.C. to the Sovereign shall wear the uniform prescribed in the Dress Regulations for the Army.

Officers who vacate the appointment of Aide-de-Camp to the King on promotion to the substantive rank of Major-General will cease to wear the Royal Cypher and Crown. Ex-Aides-de-Camp to the King who have not been promoted to the substantive rank of Major-General will continue to wear the prescribed insignia on retirement. In order to distinguish Aides-de-Camp to the King from those Officers who have vacated the appointment, the latter will wear the prescribed insignia in miniature.

Brigadiers and Colonels who have vacated the appointment of Aide-de-Camp to the King will, on retirement, wear the Royal Cypher (in miniature) immediately above the stars. The crown which is part of the badges of rank will also serve as the crown which is part of the Royal Cypher and Crown.

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

Brigadier	..	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	Letters "W.O." in Wreath.
Badges of Rank.	Size.

Full Dress Cloth Tunic	..	..	Full size
Scarlet Mess Jacket	..	..	$\frac{1}{2}$ inch.
Other garments	..	..	$\frac{1}{2}$ inch.

6. BRIGADIER AND SUBSTANTIVE COLONELS.

Cocked Hat and Plumes.	..	..
Greatcoat	..	..
Tunic	..	..
Mess Dress	..	..
Overalls and Pantaloons	..	..
Boots	..	..
Sash	..	..
Sword and Scabbard	..	..
Sword Belt, Slings and Knot	..	..

As described in Dress Regulations for the Army.

Regimental pattern.

Frock Coat.—Blue cloth, double-breasted, with stand-up collar, and round cuffs, $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins. deep. A slash with three points and three small regimental buttons on each sleeve; the slash to be 6 ins. long at the forearm seam and $6\frac{1}{2}$ ins. long at the end points, and to be 2 ins. broad at the narrowest parts and $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins. broad at each of the three points. Two rows of regimental buttons down the front, six in each row, 11 ins. apart at top and 4 ins. 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 cords, badges of rank and collar badges as laid down for full dress tunic with the exception that the shoulder cords and collar badges will be lined with blue cloth. Collar cuffs and slashes 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, Brigadiers and Colonels 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 welt round crown.

II.—Uniform for all Officers of Royal Marines unless otherwise stated.

7. *Full Dress.*—*Tunic.*—Blue cloth, single breasted. Scarlet cloth collar, square in front, but slightly rounded at corners, two hooks and eyes, the collar edged all round with gold cord and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wire lace of special pattern inside the cord and along collar seam, showing a light of scarlet of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. The Corps badge at $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the inner edge of gold lace on collar and half-way between the top and bottom edges. ("For 'R.M. Band' the Globe and Laurel surmounted by a gold embroidered lyre.") Detachable shoulder straps of twisted round gold cord lined with blue cloth, small button in top loop, badges of rank, in silver embroidery, nine buttons up the front; skirts square in front and closed behind with two back slashes, two pointed with three large regimental buttons, one at each point, and one at the waist seam, and edged with round gold wire cord as on the collar the bottom edge of slashes to reach $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from bottom of skirt. Round cuffs $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins. deep with one band of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch gold wire lace on the top edge of the cuff (substantive Colonels two bands round cuffs—the second band to be below the first with a light of one eighth of an inch of blue cloth between the rows). On each cuff a slash with three points edged with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. gold wire lace, except along the forearm seam; the slash to be 6 ins. long at the forearm seam and $6\frac{1}{2}$ ins. at the end points of the opposite side, $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins. broad at the narrowest parts and $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins. at each of the three points. On each slash there are three large regimental buttons at

equal intervals; each button is surmounted by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. gold wire lace, beginning and ending at the forearm seam and forming a triangle at the opposite side of the button. A line of blue to be shown between the strips of gold lace from the button to the forearm seam. (See para. 6 for Brigadiers and Substantive Colonels, and para. 35 for Commissioned Officers from Warrant Rank and Warrant Officers).

7a. *Frock Coat*.—As described in para. 6 except:—

- (i) Shoulder straps to be of same material as the coat.
- (ii) Gold embroidered badges of rank on the shoulder straps.
- (iii) Collar badges as for full dress tunic.

The full dress crimson sash is to be worn with the frock coat.

This will be an optional garment for Paymasters, Barrackmasters, Quartermasters, Commissioned Officers from Warrant Rank and Warrant Officers.

8. *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 $\frac{1}{8}$ in. wide.

The head piece let in with zig-zag ventilator.

Brown leather chin straps, gilt side hooks (Gilt Curb chain when Full Dress is worn.)

At top of helmet a gilt collet $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide to receive ball and base. Gilt ball in a leaf cap on a bright gilt dome base, the diameter of which is $1\frac{1}{2}$ ins. full, and the circumference at point of contact with helmet 6 ins. 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 with scarlet welt at top, scarlet welt around 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 surmounted 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.

Field Service Cap (Blue).—Blue cloth folding cap, $\frac{4}{5}$ ins. high with scarlet superfine cloth piping round the crown and down back and front seams, side flaps 3 ins. deep to turn down when required, with two small Corps buttons in front. Chin strap of black patent leather ($\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide). Badge as worn on collar of Serge Frock. To be placed on left side of cap at an angle.

Field Service Cap (Khaki).—To be of similar pattern to Field Service Cap (Blue) but without piping round the crown and down back and front seams. Mounted officers only will wear chin strap (brown leather). Badge as worn on collar of Service Dress Jacket. To be placed on left side of cap at an angle. Buttons to be bronze.

9a. *Cap, R.M. Band*.—As described in para. 9, but badge to consist of a gilt metal laurel wreath

surrounding a silver globe, and surmounted by a gilt metal lyre.

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 ins. for a man 5 ft. 9 ins., varying in proportion to height; stand collar, depth of opening about 3 ins.; two cross-patch breast-pockets above, $6\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide and $7\frac{1}{2}$ ins. deep to top of the flap, box-pleat in centre $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide, three-pointed flap $6\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide and $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins. deep; two expanding pockets below the waist plaits at the sides, $9\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide at the top and $10\frac{1}{2}$ ins. at the bottom, 8 ins. deep to top of the pocket and fastened at the top with a small button, flap with button-hole to cover pockets, $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins. deep, $10\frac{1}{2}$ ins. 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 wire hooks, four regimental buttons down front, bottom one just below the bottom edge of when worn. Gilt metal letters "R.M." or shoulder-straps ("R.M.B." for R.M. Band). Pointed cuffs, $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide rising to 6 ins. 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 or not, as required, with lining or similar colour to the frock.

11. *Trousers*.—Blue serge or tartan, with a scarlet welt $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide down each side seam.

Overalls, blue cloth, with scarlet welt as above and black leather footstraps to be worn when Wellington boots are worn. Blue cloth trousers for Mess Undress to be of the same material as overalls. Pockets optional.

12. *Riding Breeches (for mounted duties only)*.—Blue cloth, with $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. scarlet welt down each side seam. A slit, with lace holes, to be provided in front of each leg.

13. *Boots*.

(a) All Officers, except Warrant Officers—Black Calf Wellington Boots for Levées 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.—Black 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 and Mess Undress, and by Warrant Officers and Schoolmasters (all ranks) in Mess Dress and Mess Undress.

(d) Mounted Officers are permitted to wear black leather Field Boots of Army pattern on occasions when ankle boots and leggings are ordered to be worn. They are not to be worn in full dress.

(e) Mounted Officers performing mounted duties in full dress will wear Wellington boots and box spurs.

14. *Leggings*.

Mounted Officers.—Black grained leather Infantry Officers pattern.

Other Officers.—Khaki puttees.

15. *Great Coat*.—Universal pattern as described in "Dress Regulations for the Army" except that the two rows of regimental buttons down the front shall be 11 inches apart at the top. Gilt metal shoulder titles will be worn.

16. *Drill Clothing*.

(a) *Khaki Drill Tunic*.—To be made of khaki drill and cut to the pattern of the Frock, Serge,

para. 10. No buttons on cuffs. All badges as on the Frock, Serge.

(b) *Khaki Drill Trousers*.—Of similar pattern to Blue Serge Trousers (para. 11), but without welts.

17. *Tropical Clothing*.

(i) Khaki tennis pattern shirt with turn-down collar attached, two breast pockets with turn-over flaps (as in the khaki drill tunic), detachable shoulder straps of same material with badges of rank and letters "R.M." in dull bronzed metal as for service dress. No cuff links or service buttons. All buttons to be brown bone throughout.

(ii) Shorts—to be made of similar material to that of Khaki Drill Trousers.

(iii) Plain leather belt.

18. *Mess Dress—Jacket*.—Scarlet cloth, blue cloth round cuffs, 3½ inches deep, roll collar, no shoulder straps; four small gilt buttons with Lion and Crown mounted in silver down the front. Army button holes. Badges of rank and Corps badges in gilt metal, except that the Globe will be in silver, on each side of collar. The position of these badges will be as follows:—

Corps Badge.—Centre of badge to be 7½ inches from the neck point of the shoulder seam.

Badges of rank.—Space of ¼-inch between top of Corps badge and nearest part of first badge of rank. ¼-inch space between nearest parts of other badges.

Miniature medals.—See para. 62.

(See para. 6 for Brigadiers and Substantive Colonels.)

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.

18A. *Boat Cape*.—Blue cloth, lined crimson, to button four, lion head fastenings and chain at neck. Two pockets inside. Collar, 2-in. stand, 3½ in. fall. To be of a length to reach to a point 2 ins. above the knee.

The use of this garment is optional.

19. *Waterproof Coat*.—Khaki double texture twill, North Devon style, single-breasted, step collar, fly front, slit at back with gusset, fitted for riding, belt at waist, patch pockets with horizontal flaps, gilt metal badges of rank and shoulder titles on detachable shoulder straps.

20. *Drab Service Dress*.—As laid down for Officers of the Army *vide* Dress Regulations for the Army. Cap and Collar badges, buttons and badges of rank as described in paras. 5, 9 and 10, but in bronze (Patterns can be seen at Admiralty Pattern Rooms).

21. *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—32½ ins. long and 1 in. wide at the shoulder; hilt, total length, 5½ to 5¾ ins.; grip, total length 5 ins. to 5½ ins. to suit the size of the hand; Weight approximately 2 lbs. 2 ozs. without scabbard.

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

Scabbard.—Steel, with a large shoe at the bottom and a trumpet-shaped mouth. Leather scabbard for use with "Sam Browne" belts to be the same as that described in the Army Dress Regulations.

22. *Sword Belt*.—*Full Dress*.—Plain blue web waist belt, with leather furniture and brass dees for slings and brass hook for sword. The slings of gold wire lace, ½ in. wide, of special pattern, lined

with crimson morocco leather. Morocco leather sword ring attachments, fastening back with a gilt stud. The belt to be worn under the sash and over the tunic when the sword is carried. (See para. 35 *re* Warrant Officers.)

Officers of the rank of substantive Colonel and above, wearing the scarlet tunic introduced in April, 1928, are to wear the sword belt underneath the tunic as prescribed for Officers of those ranks in Dress Regulations for the Army.

23. *Sword Knot—Full Dress*.—Gold strap with gold acorn and sliding gold keeper.

Sword knots are worn long, i.e., two twists around the guard of the sword by mounted Officers, and short, i.e., wrapped round tight to the guard of the sword by dismounted Officers. (See para. 35 *re* Warrant Officers.)

24. *Sword Belt and Knot. Except full dress*.—"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 be worn whether the sword is worn or not.

25. *Sash*.—Crimson silk net folded with two pleats, the sash 2½ inches wide and 2½ inches at the buckles. Round loose silk twisted ends, 14 inches long. The sash to be worn round the waist of the tunic, the tassels hanging from the left side, and immediately in rear of the front sling of the sword belt. (Not worn by Commissioned Officers from Warrant rank and Warrant Officers.)

26. *Gloves*.

(a) *For full dress occasions*.—White kid with two buttons. Not worn with No. 6 dress.

(b) *For undress occasions*.—Brown (cape) with two buttons, but when in khaki drill clothing brown gloves will not be worn unless ordered. Gloves will not be worn in fighting or manoeuvre order.

27. *Collars*.—White double collars, not to exceed 2 ins. or be less than 1½ ins. 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 141.

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

29. *Haversack* to be of Corps pattern. When worn to be attached by two small leather straps with spring hooks to the rings on "Sam Browne" belt.

30. *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.

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

32. *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.

33. *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.

34. Will wear the uniform prescribed for other Officers of the Corps.

(See Section IX for particulars as to when the various articles of clothing are to be provided.)

IV.—Commissioned Officers from Warrant Rank and Warrant Officers.

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

(a) *Full Dress Tunic*.—Gold lace round cuffs and collar to be half inch instead of three-quarter inch.

(b) *Full Dress Sword Belt and Slings* to be of crimson morocco leather, with Corps buckle.

(c) *Full Dress Sword knot* to be of crimson morocco leather.

(d) *Crimson Sash* will not be worn.

(e) *Trousers*.—Overalls will not be worn.

(f) *Boots*.—Wellington boots will not be worn. Black patent leather Oxford shoes will be worn with Mess Dress in lieu.

35A. The wearing of full dress by Master Tailors is optional.

V.—Royal Marine Police.**Chief Constable and Superintendents.**

36. *Cap*.—Cap, Forage, universal (Army) pattern. Blue cloth, with black mohair band. Patent leather chin strap, buttoned to two $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch plain nickel silver buttons. The peak to droop at an angle of 45 degrees with a double row of silver oak leaf embroidery for Chief Constable and a single row for Superintendents. The badge to be worn in front of the mohair band to consist of a nickel silver laurel wreath surrounding a globe in nickel silver.

37. *Frock, Serge*.—Corps pattern as described in paragraph 10, with the following exceptions:—The buttons to be of the nickel silver R.M. Police pattern. Nickel silver letters "R.M.P." on shoulder straps. Collar badge—Chief Constable, dark blue velvet gorget patch with silver cord and small nickel silver R.M.P. button; Superintendents, nickel silver globe and laurel. Badges of rank—Chief Constable, Crown and two Stars below; Superintendents, Crown and one Star below—in silver embroidery on shoulder straps.

38. *Trousers and Overalls*.—As described in paragraph 11, except that a stripe of plain black mohair braid 2 inches wide is to be worn down the side seams.

39. *Greatcoat*.—As Corps pattern, described in paragraph 15, but of blue cloth, with buttons and badges as for serge frock.

40. *Waterproof Coat*.—As Corps pattern described in paragraph 19, but of blue gabardine with badges of rank and letters "R.M.P." on shoulder straps in nickel silver.

41. *Sword Belt*.—"Sam Browne" pattern of black leather. Revolver holder and ammunition pouch of black leather.

42. *Whistle*.—Police pattern, but with silver chain.

43. *Boots*.—Black calf Wellington boots, or black ankle laced boots with plain toe cap, as the circumstances require.

Chief Inspectors and Sub-Divisional Inspectors.

44. *Cap*.—Cap, Forage, universal (Army) pattern. Blue cloth, with black mohair band. The two small buttons to be plain nickel silver. The badge to be worn in front on the mohair band to consist of a nickel silver laurel wreath surrounding a globe in nickel silver.

45. *Frock, Serge*.—As described in paragraph 10, with the following exceptions:—The buttons to be of the nickel silver R.M. Police pattern. Nickel silver letters "R.M.P." on shoulder straps. Collar badge to be a nickel silver globe and laurel. Badges of rank—Chief Inspector, Crown; Sub-Divisional Inspector, two Stars—in silver embroidery on shoulder straps. No brass waist hooks.

46. *Trousers*.—Plain blue serge, no welts or stripes.

47. *Greatcoat*.—As described in paragraph 15, but of blue cloth, with buttons and badges as for serge frock.

48. *Waterproof Coat*.—As described in para-

graph 19, but of blue gabardine. Badges of rank in bronze. A black oilskin coat may be worn if desired.

49. *Sword Belt*.—Not worn.

50. *Armlet*.—Not worn.

51. *Whistle and Boots*.—As described in paragraphs 42 and 43, except that black calf Wellington boots will not be worn.

VI.—Horse Furniture.

52. Mounted Officers of the Royal Marines are to use the same pattern saddlery as described in the Dress Regulations for the Army.

Brow bands and rosettes in Review Order to be blue.

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

VII.—General Notes.

53. Paymasters, Barrackmasters and Quarter masters are to wear the same pattern uniform as other Officers of corresponding rank.

54. 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 each case the letter "R" is to be worn on the shoulder-cords or shoulder-straps, immediately below the badges of rank.

55. 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.

56. 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.

57. For mourning a band of crepe 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide, is to be worn above the left elbow.

58. Information regarding patterns of uniforms or equipment for Officers of Royal Marines can be obtained on application at the Office of the General Officer Commanding Royal Marines, Queen Anne's Mansions, St. James' Park, S.W.1.

VIII.—Medals and Medal Ribbons.

59. Medals and medal ribbons are to be worn as laid down in Dress Regulation for the Army.

60. In Service Dress (blue or khaki) and khaki battledress without medals, ribbons will be worn without intervals $\frac{1}{8}$ inch long on the left breast. Order of precedence of wearing will be from left to left, starting with the top row. Normally, total number of ribbons does not exceed five, will be worn in one row, but in no case will the row extend to the right further than the outer edge of the lapel or to the left further than $\frac{1}{8}$ inch from the shoulder seam. The row will be sewn $\frac{1}{8}$ inch above the top seam of the left breast pocket—centrally above the pocket button.

61. When more than five ribbons are worn or where the space available does not permit five ribbons being worn in one row, any additional row or rows will be worn above the first row. Rows of ribbons will be $\frac{1}{8}$ inch apart, but this may be reduced if rendered necessary by the number of rows and space available. The additional row or rows will be sewn as nearly central above the pocket button as practicable, but it will in no case extend beyond same limits as the bottom row.

62. Decorations, &c., are to be worn with khaki drill under the regulations laid down for Naval Officers with white clothing on page 95.

63. Miniature medals will be worn in Mess Dress on the lapel of the jacket $\frac{1}{8}$ inch below the Corps Badge. They are not to extend beyond the lapel on the inner side.

IX.—UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT TO BE PROVIDED.

		Probationary Officers.	Warrant Officers.
Frock Coat	..	No.	1 (k)
Frock, blue serge	..	No.	2 (a)
Trousers, serge	..	Prs.	1
Cap, forage, blue, with cap covers	..	No.	1
, field service, blue	..	No.	1
, tin case for	..	No.	1
Ankle boots, black, with plain toecap	..	Prs.	2
Tie, black silk (Sailor's knot)	..	No.	1
Do. do. (Mess)	..	No.	1
Cloth Mess jacket	..	No.	1 (c)
Cloth Mess waistcoat	..	No.	1 (c)
Overalls	..	Prs.	2 (a) (c)
Calf Wellingtons	..	Prs.	1
Cloth tunic	..	No.	1 (d)
Trousers, blue cloth	..	Prs.	1
Helmet, white, Wolsley pattern	..	No.	1
Sash, crimson	..	No.	1 (d)
Gloves, white kid	..	Prs.	1 (d)
Full dress sword belt	..	No.	1 (d)
Less sword knot	..	No.	1 (d)
Oxford shoes	..	Prs.	1
Mess jackets	..	No.	2 (e)
White Mess vests	..	No.	2 (e)
Tunics, khaki drill	..	No.	2 (e)
Trousers, khaki drill	..	Prs.	2 (e)
Breeches, knickerbocker, drab; S.D.	..	Prs.	1 (b)
Do. Bedford cord, ditto	..	Prs.	1 (b)
Greatcoat	..	No.	1
Waterproof coat	..	No.	1
Puttees	..	Prs.	1 (b)
Drab Service dress jacket	..	No.	1 (b)
Cap, forage, khaki	..	No.	1 (b)
Cap, field service, khaki	..	No.	1 (b)
Gloves, brown (cape)	..	No.	1 (b)
Whistle and lanyard (blue)	..	Prs.	1
Sam Browne equipment	..	Sets	1
Sword and scabbard, steel	..	No.	1
Waterbottle	..	No.	1
Haversack	..	No.	1
Trousers, white flannel	..	Prs.	2
Sweaters, white	..	No.	1
Belt, gymnasium (dark, blue)	..	No.	1
Shoes, gymnasium (white)	..	Prs.	1
Boot trees	..	Sets.	1
Shirts, cricket	..	No.	2
Shirts and collars	..	No.	—
Tin case for uniform	..	No.	1
Revolver and case	..	No.	1 (j)
Binoculars, prismatic	..	No.	1 (h)
Compasses, prismatic	..	No.	1 (j)
Tropical dress—			as requisites
Khaki shirts, shorts and stockings, plain leather belt	..		as required (e)
			as required (e)

NOTES.—(a) One to be provided on joining, and one within two months of joining.

(b) To be provided within two months of joining.

(c) If Mess Dress cannot be properly fitted by the tailor by date of joining, Dinner Jackets may be worn for a period not exceeding two months.

(d) To be provided on completion of Theoretical Military Course.

(e) To be provided on embarkation, if required.

(f) Staff Sergeant Majors and R.M. Gunners only.

(g) Will be issued from store on loan as and when required.

(h) To be provided before commencement of Seamanship Course.

(j) To be provided before commencement of Weapon Training Course or Theoretical Military Course, whichever is the earlier.

Probationary Officers, on joining, will also be required to provide themselves with a case of drawing instruments with spring bow dividers and Service pattern protractor.

(k) To be provided on embarkation.

(l) To be provided when ordered by Commanding Officer.

X.—ORDER OF DRESS, OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES.

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

Dress.	In England and temperate climates.		Occasions when worn.	In hot climates.	
	No.	Articles.		No.	Articles.
Review Order. Full Dress.	1	Cloth Tunic. Overalls. Wellington Boots. Helmet W.P., with Gilt Curb Chain. Sword and steel scabbard. Full Dress Sword Belt and Knot. Crimson Sash. White Kid Gloves.	Ceremonial Occasions, &c.	6	Khaki Drill Tunic. Khaki Drill Trousers. Drab Soft Shirt. Drab Soft Collar. Drab Tie. Helmet, Wolsley Pattern with Gilt Curb Chain. Sam Browne Belt, Frog and Sword. Black Ankle Boots.

ORDER OF DRESS, OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES—continued.

Dress.	In England and temperate climates.		Occasions when worn.	In hot climates.	
	No.	Articles.		No.	Articles.
Undress Order.	2	Forage Cap. Frock Coat. Overalls. Wellington Boots. Full Dress Sword Belt and Knot. Sword and Steel Scabbard. Crimson Sash. White Gloves. Notes.— (i) Swords will not be worn when Officer of the Watch in harbour. (ii) Sword slings will not be worn when not on duty. (iii) For Officers not in possession of Frock Coat see Note 10.	I. When on military duty at District Courts-Martial and garrison or other Courts of Enquiry. II. When on Naval duty and not parading with troops. (a) When Naval Officers wear frock coats without epaulettes, e.g., church on Sunday, visits to C-in-C., official calls, etc. (b) Officer of the Guard except when visiting foreign ships of war. (c) Officer of the Watch in Harbour. (d) Fleet and Squadron R.M. Officers when inspecting detachments. III. When not on duty:—Dances and entertainments afloat or ashore, in the daytime.	7	Forage Cap with white cover or Helmet as ordered. Khaki Drill Tunic. Khaki Drill Trousers. Drab Soft Shirt and Collar. Drab Tie. Black Ankle Boots. Remainder as in No. 2. Note.—Mounted Officers, if mounted—Breeches, Mounted Pattern, Cavalry Drill, Black Ankle Boots, Leggings and Spurs.
Drill Order.	3	Forage Cap. Serge Frock. Serge Trousers. Black Ankle Boots. Sam Browne Belt & Sword. Brown Gloves. White Soft Shirt. *White stiff double Collar. Black Tie. Whistle and Cord. Haversack Waterbottle } if Field Glasses } ordered Puttees *Soft collar may be worn when landing for drill or at sea. Note.—Mounted Officers—Riding Breeches, Black Ankle Boots, Leggings and Spurs—except on board ship, when Trousers and Ankle Boots are to be worn.	Parades, Drills, Regimental Duty, Guard Duties when embarked.	8	Forage Cap and White Cover or Helmet as ordered. Khaki Drill Tunic. Breeches, Mounted Pattern, Cavalry Drill, and Puttees, or Khaki Drill Trousers as ordered. Black Ankle Boots. Drab Soft Shirt and Collar. Drab Tie. Remainder as for No. 3. Note.—Mounted Officers—Breeches, Mounted Pattern Cavalry Drill, Black Ankle Boots, Leggings and Spurs, except on board ship, when Khaki Drill Trousers and Ankle Boots are to be worn.
Mess Dress.	4	Mess Jacket. Mess Waistcoat. Overalls. Wellington Boots. Stiff White Shirt. Stiff White Butterfly Collar Black Bow Tie. Note.—Mounted Officers, Box Spurs. Warrant Officers—Trousers, Oxford Shoes, Black Socks	Dining at Naval and Military Messes and at the table of Flag Officers and Officers of corresponding rank. At Naval and Military evening dances and entertainments unless full dress is ordered.	5	White Mess Jacket. White Mess Waistcoat. Blue Cloth Trousers. Black patent leather Oxford Shoes. Black Socks. Remainder as in No. 4.
Mess Undress	4a	Mess Jacket Mess Waistcoat. Remainder as in No. 5.	Commanding Officer's discretion.	—	—

ORDER OF DRESS, OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES—*continued.*

Dress.	In England and temperate climates.		Occurrences when worn.	In hot climates.	
	No.	Articles.		No.	Articles.
Marching Order Blue	10	Forage Cap or Helmet as ordered. Serge Frock. Serge Trousers. Black Ankle Boots. Sam Browne Belt with Two Straps. Sword and Scabbard. Brown Gloves. White Soft Shirt and Collar. Black Tie. Whistle and Cord. Haversack and Waterbottle. Field Glasses Revolver and Pouch. Waterproof Coat { ordered Note.—Mounted Officers— Riding Breeches, Black Ankle Boots and Leggings, Spurs. Sword carried on the Saddle, edge to the rear, when mounted. • If carried, will be worn en banderole.	Guards on shore. Inspections. Changes of station. Embarkations and Disembarkations.	11	Forage Cap with White Cover or Helmet as ordered. Khaki Drill Tunic. Breeches, Mounted Pattern, Cavalry Drill or Shorts and Puttees. Drab Soft Shirt and Collar. Drab Tie. Remainder as in No. 10.
Marching Order Khaki Service Dress	12	S.D. Forage Cap. Field Service Cap (khaki). Helmet, W.P. or Steel Helmet, as ordered. S.D. Tunic. S.D. Breeches Knickerbocker. Puttees. Sam Browne Belt or Web Equipment as ordered. Note.—Mounted Officers— Breeches Mounted pattern Bedford Cord, Black Leggings and Spurs. For details of clothing and accoutrements in No. 11 Dress, see F.S. Manual, 1924 (Infantry Battalion). Dismounted Officers will wear the "Naval Pistol" or "Army 1937 pattern" Web equipment, if Web Equipment is ordered.	Active Service. Manoeuvres. Landing from Ships and as ordered.	13	Khaki Drill Tunic. Breeches Mounted pattern Cavalry drill, or Shorts as ordered. Remainder as in No. 11.

NOTES.

1. Sam Browne Belt will be worn with one brace over right shoulder, except in No. 10, 11, 12 and 13 Dress, when two braces will be worn.
2. Spurs will not be worn on board Ship.
3. Officers in No. 7 Dress may wear Brown Leather Shoes and Khaki Socks, when not parading with troops.
4. Letters R.M. in gilt metal are to be worn on shoulder straps below badges of rank on Blue Frock, Khaki Drill Tunic and Great Coat. The letters R.M. on the Drab Service Dress Frock are to be in bronze.
5. Swords will be worn by all Officers in accordance with K.R.A. and A.R., except that swords will be worn on board ship on appropriate occasions.
6. In Review Order ashore, swords and scabbards will be worn "hooked up" by dismounted Officers, "unhooked" by mounted Officers. In Review Order afloat, swords will be "unhooked," but when the sword is drawn by dismounted Officers scabbards will be "hooked up."
7. Officers, R.M., on duty with troops will wear the dress corresponding to that worn by their men but on other occasions the dress appropriate to that worn by Officers, R.N.
8. The Field Service Cap (Blue) may be worn on suitable occasions, e.g., on board ship, when wearing Mess Dress. It is not to be worn on duty when on shore.
9. Officers for whom the Frock Coat is optional and who are not in possession of this garment (see para. 7A) will wear the following in Undress Order:—
 Forage Cap, Serge Frock, Overalls, Wellington Boots, Sam Browne Belt and Frog, Sword (if ordered), Brown Gloves, White Shirt, White stiff double Collar, Black Tie. (Warrant Officers will wear Trousers and Black Ankle Boots.)

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

In U.K. and Temperate Climates

In Hot Climates.

No. of Dress.	Dress.	Articles.	Corresponding Seamen's Dress.	Occasions when worn.	No. of Dress.	Articles.	Corresponding Seamen's Dress.
1	Undress Order.	Cap, blue serge tunic, tweed trousers. White web belt. Gold chevrons—all N.C.O.'s. Sashes are to be worn by SNCOs. King's Badge if worn to be gold. Rifle Side arms White web frog Greatcoat Medals	As ordered	1 Ceremonial Guards, parades, sentries, orderlies, Walking out.	6	White duck cap. Khaki drill tunic and trousers, remainder as No. 1. White anklets will be worn for Ceremonial guards and parades, and by sentries and orderlies when ordered.	6
2	Guard Order.	As for No. 1.		2 Routine Guards Sentries, parades, orderlies.	7	As for No. 6 but shorts and hosetops may be worn in lieu of trousers.	6
3	Drill Order.	Blue beret, blue or khaki battledress blouse and trousers. Black web belt. Black web anklets Rifle Side arms Black web frog Greatcoat	As ordered.	3 Drills, seamanship, gunnery and landing craft training. Working parties if ordered.	8	Blue beret, shirt, drill trousers or shorts and hosetops. Remainder as No. 3.	—
4	Night Clothing.	Blue beret, blue battle-dress blouse and trousers or serge tunic and tweed or serge trousers. Black boots or shoes or brown canvas shoes.		4 Night clothing and wet weather.	9	Blue beret, shirt and drill shorts or trousers, socks, black shoes or brown canvas shoes.	—
5	Overall Dress.	Blue beret, denim blouse and trousers, boots. Black anklets as ordered.		5 Fatigues, training as ordered.	—	—	—
10	Fighting Order.	Blue beret, khaki battle-dress blouse and trousers, black anklets, shore service boots. Rifle Side-arms Black web equipment — belt — frog, braces, basic pouches, haversack or pack and straps, waterbottle and carrier, entrenching tool complete Steel helmet As Respirator A/G	As ordered	6 Active service. Training in the Field.	11	Blue beret, shirt, drill trousers or shorts and hosetops. Remainder as No. 10.	—

NOTES.

1. *Scales of Kit* for Royal Marines are contained in Royal Marine Instructions. Issuing prices and rates of compensation are contained in BR 141.

2. 3 *Commando Brigade Dress*. Ranks serving in 3 Commando Brigade are to wear the green beret in place of the blue beret and are to wear coloured lanyards and garter tabs as laid down by the Commander 3 Cdo Bde. Woven arm badges "Royal Marine Commando" and the "dagger" formation sign are also to be worn. Orders of Dress within the Brigade are to conform to local Army regulations.

3. *Orders of Dress* may be worn without the tunic or blouse at the discretion of Commanding Officers, in which case the black web belt is to be worn.

Walking out. When walking out in No. 1 or 6 Dress, black shoes may be worn in place of boots. With No. 6 Dress, shirts, shorts, stockings and shoes may be worn at C.O.'s discretion.

5. *Boots*. Sea service boots are to be worn for duty on board for all orders of dress except where otherwise stated. Shore service boots are to be worn for duty ashore except where otherwise stated.

6. *Greatcoats*. The waist belt is to be worn under the greatcoat when walking out. When the greatcoat is worn for duty the belt is to be worn outside.

7. *Gloves*. May be worn at C.O.'s discretion. Sergeants and above may wear brown leather gloves for walking out. Bandmasters and band sergeants may wear such gloves on duty.

8. *Mourning*. If men, for private reasons, wish to wear mourning they may cover the second button of the serge with crape.

9. *Sashes*. When worn are to be fitted between the first and second button of the tunic and under the right shoulder strap.

10. *Knife lanyards* are to be worn only with No. 10 and 11 dress. The lanyard is to be worn on the right shoulder in an ordinary loop. Naval pattern white lanyards are not to be worn.

11. *Postmen and other special orderlies* may wear black oilskins in bad weather. No lettering is permitted on the oilskins.

12. *Sentries and orderlies*. Sentries below deck and orderlies may, at the Commanding Officer's discretion, wear shorts, stockings and black shoes with No. 7 and 8 Dress.

13. *R.N. School of Music Bands*. In general, the orders of Dress for Band ranks correspond to those for other ranks R.M., except that the buff belt is to be worn in place of the white web belt. With No. 1 and No. 6 Dress, white helmets are to be worn in place of caps. Orders for the wearing of buff band equipment are laid down by the Commandant R.N. School of Music.

14. *Group Bands*. Ranks serving in the Group Bands are to wear uniform in accordance with the sealed patterns. Helmets and buff equipment are to be worn with No. 1 and No. 6 Dress.

15. *Badges—Other Ranks*.

Cap Badges: Worn centrally in front of the cap with the lugs of the badge inserted in the seam between the red welt and blue top.

Collar Badge: To be set one eighth of an inch above tunic collar seam with centre of badge two inches from edge of collar.

Letters R.M.: To be set in centre of shoulder strap half an inch above shoulder seam.

Woven Arm Badge "Royal Marines": To be sewn half inch below shoulder seam.

16. *Badges—R.N. School of Music*. The same as in paragraph 15, except that the lyre is to be worn on the collar in the following manner:—

Set with the centre pins one and three quarters of an inch from the front edge of the tunic collar.

17. *Badges—Group Bands*. Badges worn are the same as those in paragraph 16 with the following exception:—

Chatham: The White Rose of York is worn upon the regimental badge of the helmet plate and cap.

Portsmouth: The helmet plate has the Royal Cypher G.R.V. in silver over the anchor and below the globe.

The Cap badge consists of a gilt grenade on which is mounted the Royal Cypher G.R.V. and crown in silver, surrounded by a gilt laurel wreath.

Members of H.M. Yacht band wear the woven arm badge "Royal Yacht" which is sewn 1 inch below the seam of the right shoulder.

Plymouth: The Prince of Wales' plume is worn in the same manner as the White Rose in the Chatham Band.

18. *Beret*. The blue or green beret is to be worn so that the leather binding is level round the head and one inch above the eyebrows, the crown of the beret being pulled to the right. The cap badge is to be worn immediately over the left eye.

19. *Chevrons, badges of rank and good conduct badges*.

(a) *Chevrons worn above the elbow*.

Chevrons are to be sewn on garments centrally between the sleeve seams, the bottom point of the chevron being 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches from the shoulder seam. Chevrons are to be worn on the right arm only with all orders of dress, other than khaki battledress when chevrons are to be worn on both arms.

(b) *Chevrons and badges of rank worn below the elbow*.

Chevrons and badges of rank are to be sewn centrally between the sleeve seams, the bottom point of the chevrons or badge to be approximately one quarter inch from top of slack or cuff except on blue and khaki battledress when the distance is to be two inches above the cuff seam. Such chevrons or badges are to be worn on the right arm only, with the following exceptions:—

Khaki battledress } both arms.
Greatcoats }
All tropical dress — not worn except Ser-

geants Major, Staff Sergeants and Bandmasters who are to wear brass badges on a leather strap.

(c) *Good Conduct Badges*.

The possession of one or more good conduct badges is marked by a corresponding number of chevrons worn, point up, on the left arm with the lowest part of the badge $\frac{1}{4}$ inch above the point of the cuff. In the case of blue and khaki battledress the distance to be two inches above the cuff seam.

Good conduct badges are not to be worn with No. 5 dress nor with any tropical dress. Non Commissioned officers are not to wear G.C.Bs.

20. *Instructors Badges.* Instructors of the rank of Colour Sergeant are to wear the appropriate Instructors badges on the right arm immediately above the cuff, other N.C.O.s above the chevrons on right arm, the bottom of the badge to be V-shaped into the top of the chevrons.

21. *Specialist Badges.* Worn on the left arm one quarter inch above the point of the cuff or G.C.B. (7 inches from bottom of sleeve when no pointed cuff or G.C.B. is worn) respectively. Where more than one specialist badge is worn, a quarter inch is to be left clear between each badge and badges are to be worn in the following order commencing at the bottom :—

Marksman or sniper.
Naval gunnery.
M.T. driver.
Machine gunner.
Signaller.

The badges are to be worn on serge tunics, blue and khaki battledress only.

22. *Medals.* Are to be worn on the blue serge tunic and drill tunic with No. 1 and 6 Dress when ordered. Medals are to be worn in the order laid down in K.R. and A.I., suspended from a single bar. With No. 1 Dress, the bar is to be attached by means of beackets sewn on the tunic, and with No. 6 Dress through small eyelet holes worked in the drill tunic. The position of the medal bar is to be :—

Serge tunic—to be attached to the garment immediately above the medal ribbons so as to cover them.

Drill tunic—bar with medals to replace medal ribbon bar.

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 not be less than half an inch from the uppermost clasp to the top of the ribbon having the greatest 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 innermost medal, the length of which ribbon is to be $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

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

23. *Medal Ribbons* are to be sewn on the tunic. The wearing of ribbons on blue or khaki battledress blouses is optional. On the drill tunic ribbons are to be worn on a bar or bars. The ribbons are to be three eighths of an inch in length, sewn in the proper sequence, the senior Decoration or Medal commencing from the inner edge of the top row; they will not overlap and when there is not sufficient room to wear them in one row they will be worn in two or more rows, the bottom edge of the lowest row being half an inch above the upper edge of the pocket with a quarter of an inch interval between rows. The ribbons will be sewn centrally above the button of the pocket flap but there will be a space of not less than an inch between outer ribbon and the sleeve seam. When two or more rows are worn, the upper rows will be completed last. When there is a smaller number of ribbons in the second or subsequent rows the shorter rows will be arranged centrally above the button of the pocket flap.