

102 DRESS REGULATIONS: ROYAL MARINES OFFICERS

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SECTION I

ORDERS OF DRESS AND OCCASIONS ON WHICH THEY ARE WORN

1. The Dresses for Royal Marines Officers are shown in the following table.

2. Officers of the Royal Marine Forces Volunteer Reserve are to wear uniform which conforms to the patterns for the Regular Officers, except that:—

- (a) Gilding metal or anodised letters "RMFVR" are to be worn in place of letters "RM".
 (b) Woven letters "VR" scarlet on blue are to be worn with battledress immediately below the centre of the woven arm badges "Royal Marines".

3. Officers on the retired list whose names appear in the appropriate edition of the Navy List may wear either the uniform of their rank which was regulation at the time they retired, or the latest pattern uniform, on those occasions for which the wearing of uniform is authorised. Similarly, retired officers may wear insignia of Orders, decorations and medals with plain clothes under the same conditions as officers on the active list.

4. Numbers are assigned to the several Dresses for convenience when referring to them and, so far as practicable, the titles and numbers correspond with the equivalent Naval officers' Dresses. Royal Marine Officers will conform to the number of the Dress ordered for the Royal Navy. When serving with other Services they are to wear the nearest appropriate dress except that when on duty with troops they will wear the dress corresponding to that worn by the men.

5. The dresses to be worn by Royal Marines Officers at Court functions or Joint Service functions at which Her Majesty or a Member of the Royal Family is present, are shown in the Joint Services Ceremonial Dress Table in the Uniform Regulations for Naval Officers.

6. Descriptions of individual items of dress are shown in Section II. Specimen garments may be seen at the Admiralty Pattern Rooms, Station Approach Road, Barnes, London, S.W.13.

7. Officers not in possession of sword and scabbard are not required to provide them for the present.

ORDERS OF DRESS AND OCCASIONS ON WHICH THEY ARE WORN

Dress	Description	Occasions for Wear	Articles to be worn optionally or when ordered
No. 1 Full Dress	Helmet. †Cloth Tunic. Blue Tunic. Blue Trousers †Sash. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. †Full Dress Sword Belt and Knot. Sword. †Steel Scabbard. †White Kid Gloves. Black Boots. († To be worn by officers of the Royal Marines Band Service on ceremonial parades when other ranks of the R.M. Band wear cloth tunics, etc.)	(a) Ceremonial Parades. (b) Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 4 Dress is not sufficient.	(a) Field and Mounted Officers may wear Wellington Boots, Overalls and Spurs, provided all such officers present are dressed alike. (b) All R.M. Band Officers may wear Wellington Boots. (c) R.M. Band Officers will wear Frock Coat and Spurs when ordered. (d) General Officers—see Section II, Part I.
No. 1W Full Dress Khaki Drill	Helmet. Khaki Drill Tunic. Khaki Drill Trousers. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Sword. Black Boots.	In hot climates as for No. 1 Dress.	
No. 2 Ball Dress	Scarlet Mess Jacket. Blue Mess Waistcoat. Blue Trousers. Stiff-fronted Evening Shirt. Winged Collar. Black shoes.	Official or public balls, dinner and evening receptions of a formal nature. <i>Note.</i> —The civilian equivalent is evening dress with decorations. This dress should be ordered in preference to No. 6 Dress when civilians who may possess stars of Orders or neck decorations are being entertained officially.	Wellington Boots, Overalls and Spurs may be worn by Field and Mounted Officers.

Dresses and Occasions on which they are worn—continued

Dress	Description	Occasions for Wear	Articles to be worn optionally or when ordered
No. 2W White Ball Dress	White Mess Jacket. White Waistcoat. Blue Trousers. Stiff-Fronted Evening Shirt. Winged collar. Black Shoes.	In hot climates as for No. 2 Dress. <i>Note.</i> —The civilian equivalent is evening dress with decorations. This dress should be ordered in preference to No. 6W Dress when civilians who may possess stars of Orders or neck decorations are being entertained.	
No. 3	Blank		
No. 4 Blue Dress	Cap. Blue Tunic. Blue Trousers. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Sword. Black Boots. Blue Lanyard.	(a) Inspections by Senior Officers. (b) Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 5 or No. 8 Dress is not sufficient.	
No. 4W Khaki Drill	Cap. Khaki Drill Tunic. Khaki Drill Trousers. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Sword. Black Boots. Blue Lanyard.	In hot climates as for No. 4 Dress.	
No. 5 Undress	Cap. Blue Tunic. Blue Trousers. Blue Lanyard. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Sword or Cane as appropriate. Black Boots.	(a) Ordinary occasions of duty and ceremony. (b) When dining in Service messes if Mess Dress is not worn.	(a) Cloth Belt will be worn when blue suit is worn in lieu of Mess Dress and on other occasions as directed by the Senior Officer. (b) Black Shoes may be worn on occasions when the sword is not worn, but not when on duty with troops.
No. 5W Khaki Undress	Cap. Khaki Drill Tunic. Khaki Drill Trousers. Blue Lanyard. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Sword or Cane, as appropriate. Black Boots.	In hot climates as for No. 5 Dress or in place of No. 5 or No. 8 Dress in hot weather and within units in U.K.	Brown Shoes may be worn with this dress on occasions when sword is not worn, except when on duty with troops.
No. 6 Mess Dress	Scarlet Mess Jacket. Blue Mess Waistcoat. Blue Trousers. Stiff-Fronted Evening Shirt. Winged Collar. Black Shoes.	(a) Mess dinners, evening dances and entertainments. (b) Ordinary evening wear in R.M. units in U.K. <i>Note.</i> —The civilian equivalent is evening dress without decorations	Wellington Boots, Overalls and Spurs may be worn by Field and Mounted Officers.
No. 6W White Mess Dress	White Mess Jacket. White Waistcoat. Blue Trousers. Stiff-Fronted Evening Shirt. Winged Collar. Black Shoes.	Mess dinners, evening dances and entertainments in hot climates as an alternative to No. 7W Dress. <i>Note.</i> —The civilian equivalent is evening dress without decorations.	Soft-Fronted Evening Shirt and Soft Collar may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion in hot weather.
No. 7 Mess Undress	Scarlet Mess Jacket. Blue Mess Waistcoat. Blue Trousers. Stiff-Fronted Evening Shirt. Winged Collar. Black Shoes.	Ordinary evening wear. <i>Note.</i> —The civilian equivalent is dinner jacket.	(a) Wellington Boots, Overalls and Spurs may be worn by Field and Mounted Officers. (b) Soft-Fronted Evening Shirt and Soft Collar may be worn in place of Stiff-fronted Evening Shirt and Winged Collar.
No. 7W White Mess Undress	White Mess Jacket. Scarlet Kamarband. Blue Trousers. Stiff-Fronted Evening Shirt. Winged Collar. Black Shoes.	Ordinary evening wear in hot climates. <i>Note.</i> —The civilian equivalent is dinner jacket.	Soft-Fronted Evening Shirt and Soft Collar may be worn.

Dresses and Occasions on which they are worn—continued

Dress	Description	Occasions for Wear	Articles to be worn optionally or when ordered
No. 8 Working Dress	Cap. Blue Tunic. Blue Trousers. Blue Lanyard. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Cane. Black Boots.	Routine duties and training.	(a) Black Shoes may be worn except when on duty with troops. (b) Beret may be worn when specially ordered, but not outside the unit or ship.
Nos. 8W and 9W Tropical Dress	Cap. Khaki Cellular Shirt. Khaki Drill Shorts. Blue Lanyard. Cane. Khaki Stockings. Sam Browne Belt, Brace and Frog. Black Web Anklelets. Black Boots.	Routine duties ashore and afloat in hot climates.	(a) Army Pattern or Composition Soled Boots as ordered. (b) Brown Shoes or Sandals may be worn when ordered in place of Boots and Anklelets, except when on duty with troops. (c) Beret may be worn as ordered. (d) Short Khaki Puttees may be worn as an alternative to Anklelets. (e) Corps Pattern Belt may be worn in lieu of Sam Browne at Senior Officer's discretion.
No. 10W Tropical Mess Undress	White Tropical Shirt. Scarlet Kamarband. Blue Trousers. Black Shoes.	Optional dress for informal evening wear in hot climates at the discretion of the Senior Officer.	
No. 11 Action Dress	Cap or Beret. Khaki Shirt. Blue or Denim Trousers. Black Boots, Shoes or Sandals. Whistle and Blue Lanyard.	At Action Stations afloat.	
No. 12 Battledress	Beret. Khaki Battledress. Cane. Whistle and Blue Lanyard. Web Belt. Black Anklelets. Black Boots.	Military training ashore and afloat.	(a) Army Pattern or Composition Soled Boots as ordered. (b) Brown Shoes may be worn instead of Boots and Anklelets except when on duty with troops. (c) Denison Smocks and/or Denim Trousers may be worn as ordered. (d) White Web Belt and Anklelets may be worn as ordered. (e) Short Khaki Puttees may be worn as an alternative to Anklelets.
No. 12W Tropical Battledress	Beret. Khaki Cellular Shirt. Denim Trousers. Whistle and Blue Lanyard. Web Belt. Black Anklelets. Black Boots. Cane.	In hot climates for military training ashore and afloat.	(a) Army Pattern or Composition Soled Boots as ordered. (b) Denison Smock and/or Jersey Pullover may be worn as ordered. (c) Short Khaki Puttees may be worn as an alternative to Anklelets.
No. 13 Shirt Sleeve Order	Beret. Khaki Flannel Shirt with collar attached. Khaki Battledress Trousers. Web Belt. Cane. Blue Lanyard. Black Web Anklelets. Black Boots.	Routine duties in hot weather in U.K. within unit precincts or on training.	(a) Army Pattern or Composition Soled Boots as ordered. (b) Brown Shoes may be worn instead of boots and anklelets except when on duty with troops. (c) Jersey Pullover may be worn when ordered with this dress. (d) Short Khaki Puttees may be worn as an alternative to anklelets.

Dresses and Occasions on which they are worn—continued

Dress	Description	Occasions for Wear	Articles to be worn optionally or when ordered.
No. 14 Working Dress—Landing Craft Only	Beret. Blue Battledress. Blue Lanyard. Web Belt. Black Boots.	Routine duties and training.	(a) Black Shoes may be worn except when on duty with troops. (b) Black Web Anklets may be worn when ordered.

SECTION II

DETAILS OF UNIFORM FOR OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL MARINES

Part 1.—General Officers

1. General Officers are to conform to the orders of dress given in Section I, except as regards No. 1 Dress which is to be as follows:—

- (a) No. 1 Dress (Ceremonial)
 - Blue Tunic (Army Pattern No. 1).
 - Plastic Cap.
 - Overalls.
 - Wellington Boots.
 - Spurs.
 - White Gloves.
 - Crimson and Gold Waist Sash.
 - Gold Shoulder Cords.
 - Sword and Steel Scabbard.
 - Gold Sword Sling.
 - Crimson and Gold Sword Knot.
- (b) No. 1 Dress (Non-ceremonial)
 - Blue Tunic (Army Pattern No. 1).
 - Plastic Cap.
 - Overalls.
 - Wellington Boots.
 - Spurs.
 - Brown Cape Gloves.
 - Cloth Shoulder Straps.
 - Sam Browne Belt, Brace, Frog and Sword.

Note.—The above dresses are comparable with those worn by Army Officers of similar rank and should be worn as appropriate.

2. Articles of uniform for General Officers will be of Corps pattern with the following modifications:—

- (a) *Greatcoat*—Army pattern, Atholl grey. (In khaki dress, either a British Warm or a Corps pattern greatcoat may be worn).
- (b) *Buttons, badges, gorget patches.*—The same pattern as prescribed for Army Generals. Letters "RM" will not be worn on shoulder straps.
- (c) *Cap*—Corps pattern but with embroidered oak leaves all round the peak.
- (d) *Mess Jacket*—No badges on lapels or buttons or dummy button-holes at front. Shoulder straps of blue cloth edged with $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch oak leaf pattern gold lace, fastened at the points with small mounted buttons. Badges of rank size $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch in silver embroidery.
- (e) *Tropical Mess Jacket*—No badges on lapels or buttons or dummy buttonholes at front. Shoulder straps of white drill fastened at the points with small mounted buttons. Badges of rank size $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch in gilding metal or anodised.
- (f) *Blue Trousers*—Scarlet cloth stripes $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width in place of scarlet welts.

3. In addition to the occasions at 1(a) and (b) above. General Officers are to wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs in Nos. 2, 6, 2W and 6W dresses.

4. At investitures General Officers are to wear RM Dress No. 5; swords, medals and decorations are not to be worn on these occasions.

Part 2.—Brigadiers and Colonels

1. Brigadiers and Colonels will conform to the orders of dress given in Section I except that they will wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs in Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 2W and 6W Dresses.

2. Articles of uniform will be of Corps pattern with the following exceptions:—

- (a) *Greatcoat*—As for General Officers, but with Corps buttons.

(b) *Mess Jacket*—As for General Officers, with the exception that the shoulder straps are to be edged with $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch staff pattern gold lace in place of oak-leaf pattern; Corps buttons.

(c) *Tropical Mess Jacket*—As for General Officers but with Corps buttons.

(d) *Blue Trousers*—Scarlet cloth stripes $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width in place of scarlet welts.

(e) *Cap Badge*—The Imperial Crown is to be worn on the cap and beret.

(f) *Gorget Patches*—Scarlet patches with crimson gimp cord and small staff buttons are to be worn with all orders of dress, other than Mess Kit, as follows:—

(i) *Serge and Khaki Drill Tunic*—Patches are to be $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches long and $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, triangular at the points and shaped to fit the collar above the lapel.

(ii) *Blue and Khaki Battledress, Bush Jackets and Shirts*—Similar in design to above but 2 inches long to the point and 1 inch wide. The patches are to be worn horizontally on each side of the opening to the collar, point to the rear, the top of the patch being $\frac{1}{2}$ inch from the top of the collar.

(g) Letters "RM" will not be worn on shoulder straps.

Part 3.—Other Officers

1. *Head-dress.*

(a) *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 Field Officers' caps, which are to have the peak ornamented with gold-embroidered oak leaf. 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 giltmetal with mounted silver lion and crown; all edges of chin strap to be stained black.

(b) *Cap Badge*—Gilding metal or anodised laurel wreath surrounding a silver globe. It is to be worn in the front of the cap so that the tips of the wreath are level with the top of the scarlet band. This badge is surmounted by a lion and crown badge which is to be worn so that the base of the crown is $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the top of the scarlet band.

(c) *Beret*—Blue beret with scarlet patch is to be worn by all officers during initial training. Green beret is to be worn on completion of commando training or, for officers not required to complete this, on reaching the equivalent stage. To be worn so that the leather binding is level round the head and 1 inch above the eyebrows, the crown of the beret pulled to the right and the badge immediately over the left eye. The draw tape to be tied in a knot and the ends tucked into the alcove of the leather binding.

(d) *Beret Badge*—The cap badge described at (b) above is to be worn on the beret as follows:—

(i) *Blue Beret*—in the centre of the scarlet

patch with the bottom of the laurel wreath $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch above the lower edge of the patch and the base of the lion and crown badge $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch above the top of the globe.

- (ii) *Green Beret*—the bottom of the laurel wreath to be $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch above the leather band and the base of the lion and crown badge $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch above the top of the globe.
- (e) *Helmet*—Officers' pattern: white Wolseley pattern built upon a natural cork foundation, fitted with a detachable head band, a threaded lacquered gilding metal ventilator, a gilding metal ball in a leaf cap on a dome base, a curb chain and a helmet plate.
- (f) *Helmet Plate*—Officers' pattern: gilding metal 8-pointed star with dead and bright rays with crown above. On the star a gilding metal laurel wreath and saw-pierced garter with regimental motto "Per Mare Per Terram"; above the star a scroll "Gibraltar" and below it an anchor; in the centre a silver globe. Under the saw-pierced garter, blue enamel. The plate is to be worn with the bottom central ray fitted halfway over the leather band.

(Note: This type of badge is not in production at present. Requirements on a temporary loan basis for ceremonial are met as far as possible from a small pool of these badges controlled by the Major Generals Portsmouth and Plymouth. If necessary the other ranks' plate in brass may be worn.)

- (g) *R.M. Band Service*—Special cap and helmet badges worn by Group bands are described in Section V of the Uniform Regulations for N.C.O.s and Men.

2. Blue Uniform

- (a) (i) *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 to bottom edge; length of skirt 13 inches for a man 5 ft. 9 inches, varying in proportion to height. Step collar, depth of opening about 3 inches. Two cross-patch breast pockets above, $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep to top of the flap, box pleat in centre $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, three-pointed flap $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep. Two expanding pockets to below the waist plaits at the sides, $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide at the top and $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide at the bottom, 8 inches deep to top of the pocket and fastened at the top with a small button, flap with button hole to cover pockets, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide; the top of the pocket should be sewn down at the corners. Inside watch pocket. Two brass waist hooks. Four Corps buttons down the front, the bottom one just below the bottom edge of belt when worn. Pointed cuffs $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide rising to 6 inches at the point, with two small buttons in button holes on the outside seam. Shoulder straps of the same material as the tunic, fastened with small Corps button.
- (ii) *Badges of Rank and Letters "RM"*—Gilding metal or anodised.
- (iii) *Collar Badges*—Gilding metal laurel surrounding a silver globe; worn on step of collar.
- (iv) *Cloth Belt*—Detachable blue cloth belt, 2 inches wide, with mitred ends, fastened by 2-prong gilding metal buckle.
- (b) *Trousers*—Blue serge with a scarlet welt down each side seam; welt is $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch wide for R.M. officers, $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide for officers of the R.M. Band service.
- (c) *Shirt*—Plain, soft-fronted white shirt with double or stiff cuffs.
- (d) *Collar*—White, stiff, Style I.

3. Battledress.—

- (a) *Blouse and Trousers*.—Khaki and blue. Service articles with collar of blouse faced with self material and worn undone.

- (b) *Badges*—Woven arm badges "Royal Marines" in cotton, red on a blue background, are to be worn in both blue and khaki battledress centrally on each arm with the top of the badge 1 inch below the shoulder seam, except that:—

Woven arm badges "Royal Marines Commando" embroidered, red on a blue background, are to be worn in the same position on khaki battledress by officers serving on the posted strength of a commando formation, unit or sub-unit together with the Commando formation sign—consisting of a red dagger on a blue background, which is to be worn with the top of the badge 1 inch below the lower edge of the Commando flash.

(c) Shirt

- (i) With khaki battledress—khaki with separate collar, and tie, both to match the shirt.
- (ii) With blue battledress—white, soft, with double cuff.

4. Mess Dress.—

- (a) *Scarlet Mess Jacket*—Scarlet cloth with blue cloth cuffs $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep and blue roll collar. No shoulder straps. Four gilt metal buttons with silver mounted Lion and Crown down the front; dummy button holes.

Miniature badges of rank and miniature Corps collar badges in gilding metal or anodised on each side of the collar in the following positions:—

Collar Badge—Centre of badge to be $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches from the neck point of the shoulder seam.

Badges of Rank—Space $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch between top of Corps badge and nearest part of first badge of rank. $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch space between nearest part of other badges.

- (b) *White Mess Jacket*—White drill. Same pattern as scarlet mess jacket and with the same type of badges.

(c) Mess Waistcoat—

- (i) *Blue*—Blue cloth, plain roll collar, four small gilt metal buttons with mounted and Lion Crown in silver; pocket each side.
- (ii) *White*—White drill as for white mess jacket. Same pattern as blue mess waistcoat.

- (d) *Kamarband*—Scarlet silk baratheia, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep at the front centre; plain, fastened at the back with two buckles and buckle straps.

- (e) *Boat Cloak*—Optional item. Blue cloth, lined crimson. To button four. Lion-head fastenings and chain at neck. Two pockets inside. Collar 2 inch stand; $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch fall. To be of a length to reach to a point 2 inches above the knee. This garment may be worn with Nos. 2, 6, 7, 2W, 6W and 7W Dresses.

(f) Evening Shirts and Collars—either:—

- (i) Stiff-fronted shirt with two visible studs, holes, gold studs, stiff winged collar or
- (ii) Soft ribbed or marcella front and cuffs with soft turned down collar of similar pattern.

As indicated under the various Dresses in Section I.

- (iii) The white tropical shirt worn in No. 10W Dress is to be of Naval Officers' pattern with detachable shoulder straps and $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch size badges of rank.

- (g) *Shoes for Evening Wear*—Either the regulation black leather type with toe cap or black Oxford patent leather with plain front.

5. Khaki Drill Clothing—

- (a) *Tunics and Trousers*—Non-crease khaki drill. Cut to the pattern of the serge tunic and trousers (paragraph 2 above) except that the tunic is to be without buttons on the cuff and the trousers without welt. Colour as for Sealed Pattern.
- (b) *Shorts*—Other rank Service pattern made of khaki drill. Cut with waist band and pleats. Fitted with four belt loops and two side pockets.
- (c) *Shirt*—Khaki with separate collar with khaki

drill tunic; khaki flannel with collar attached in Shirt Sleeve Order.

6. *Greatcoat*.—The greatcoat of universal pattern as described in Dress Regulations for the Army except that the two rows of Corps buttons down the front are to be 11 inches apart at the top.

7. *Machintosh*.—Army pattern. Khaki rubber-proofed double fabric. Single breasted to button five. Fly-front. Loose belt with single-prong leather covered buckle. Collar stand with all-round fall. Two patch hip pockets with flaps; ticket pocket in left forepart facing. Fitted with strap and buckle fastening for additional closing of the fronts. Two-piece back with vent, fitted with a saddle flap on the inside. Set-in sleeves with wind-cuffs. No shoulder straps or badges to be worn.

8. *Footwear*.—

(a) *Boots*.—Black leather ankle boots, laced with leather laces, plain toe cap.

(b) *Shoes*.—Black leather shoes, laced, plain toe cap.

(c) *Sandals*.—Closed toe pattern as supplied to the Royal Navy. Except in No. 11 Dress these are not to be worn by officers on duty.

(d) *Plain Brown Shoes*.—optional item. Brown leather, laced, plain toe cap. May be worn with khaki uniform when not on duty with troops.

9. *Neckties*.—

(a) *Blue Dress*.—Plain black silk, rayon baratheia, or terylene in Nos. 1, 4, 5, 8 and 14 Dresses.

(b) *Mess Dress*.—Plain black double-ended bow in Nos. 2, 6, 7, 2W, 6W and 7W Dresses.

(c) *Khaki Dress*.—Light khaki, braided, to match the shirt in Nos. 12, 1W, 4W and 5W Dresses.

10. *Sword, etc.*—

(a) *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 inches long and 1 inch wide at the shoulder. Hilt, total length 5½ to 5¾ inches. Grip: total length, 5 inches to 5½ inches to suit size of hand. Weight approximately 2 lbs. 2 ozs. without scabbard.

(b) *Scabbard*.—Leather scabbard of Army pattern.

(c) *Sword Belt, Frog and Knot*.—Sam Browne Army Pattern. Field and mounted officers to wear the sword knot long, other officers are to wear it short, i.e. wrapped around the guard tightly seven times. The sword frog is to be worn on all occasions when the Sam Browne Belt and brace are worn.

11. *Gloves*.—Plain brown cape; one or two buttons. To be worn as follows:—

(a) In U.K. always with swords except in No. 5 Dress, but see (b) below.

(b) In U.K. from 1st October to 30th April, in all orders of ceremonial, drill and working dresses.

(c) on foreign stations in accordance with local orders.

12. *Cane*.—Malacca cane covered with dark brown leather stitched along the length and turned into rounded ends. Overall length 24 inches. Overall thickness ½-inch.

13. *Whistle*.—To be of nickel silver, infantry pattern, and carried on the lanyard in the left breast pocket.

14. *Lanyards*.—

(a) *Blue, Officers' Pattern*.—To be worn looped over the left shoulder. The running end is to be passed into the left side of the pocket and not allowed to hang loosely in a bight.

(b) *Coloured*.—To be worn on the right shoulder by officers serving on the posted strength of a Commando unit, with khaki uniforms except Nos. 1W, 4W and 5W Dresses as follows:—

HQ 3 Commando Brigade	— Green
40 Commando	— Light Blue
41 Commando	— Old Gold
42 Commando	— White
43 Commando	— Old Gold and Scarlet
45 Commando	— Scarlet

15. *Garter Tabs* of the colours prescribed in para. 14 (b) for lanyards are to be worn by officers serving on the posted strength of a Commando unit when in khaki drill shorts. The tabs are to be 1½ inches wide and 4 inches long from top to points. The two tails of the tabs are to be slightly offset, with the outside tab in front.

Part 4.—Colonels Commandant, Aides-de-Camp and Adjutants

1. *Colonels Commandant*.—On special occasions, Colonels Commandant of the Royal Marines ~~Groups~~ may wear Corps uniform with badges of rank of Colonel instead of the uniform of their rank.

2. *Royal Cyphers*.—Royal Marines Aides-de-Camp to the Queen and Equerries and Extra Equerries to the Queen or to Members of the Royal Family are to wear the Royal Cypher and Crown, in one piece, below their badges of rank. Particulars of the Royal Cypher and Crown prescribed for wear with all orders of dress are shown below.

3. *Aiguillettes*.—

(a) Naval type aiguillettes are to be worn by the following Royal Marines Officers in the same manner as prescribed for Naval Officers, and with equivalent dresses:—

(i) 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.

(ii) Aides-de-Camp to General Officers, Royal Marines Officers appointed as Flag Lieutenant and Aides-de-Camp to Governors or Lieutenant Governors.

Appointment	Type of Uniform	Royal Cypher and Crown
Aides-de-Camp to the Queen and Equerries and Extra Equerries to the Queen or to Members of the Royal Family.	Full Dress. Blue Serge Tunic. Atholl Grey Greatcoat. Scarlet Mess Jacket. White Mess Jacket. Khaki Service Dress. Khaki Battledress. Khaki Drill Tunic. Khaki Bush Jacket. Khaki Tropical Shirt. Service Dress Overcoat. British Warm. Blue Battledress.	Dull silver metal. 1 11/40 inches high. 1 3/10 inches wide. Gilt metal. 1 11/40 inches high. 1 3/10 inches wide.
Ex Aides-de-Camp to the Queen.	As above.	As above in miniature. ¼ inches high. 19/20 inches wide.

Note.—Aides-de-Camp to the Queen who vacate the appointment on promotion to the substantive rank of Major-General are to cease wearing the Royal Cypher and Crown.

Officers at (i) wear Aide-de-Camp to the Queen type aiguillette and those at (ii) the Flag Lieutenant type.

- (b) Aiguillette shoulder straps are not to be worn by Royal Marines Officers. In Mess Dress, 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.

4. *Adjutants*.—Officers appointed as Adjutants at R.M. Barracks, Eastney, The Depot, Royal Marines, Deal, and the Infantry Training Centre Royal Marines, are to wear the following items:—

- (a) *Breeches*.—Blue cloth with $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch scarlet welt down each side seam. A slit with lace holes to be provided in front of each leg.
- (b) *Field Boots*.—black leather (Army pattern).
- (c) *Spurs*.—light hunting Army pattern with black straps and shields.

Part 5.—General Notes

1. Badges and Buttons.—

- (a) *Corps for Cap, Collar, Arm, etc.*—The descriptions and method of wearing are shown in Parts 1, 2 and 3 of this Section under the various dresses.

- (b) *Badges of Rank*.—The ranks of officers are to be indicated by the star, crown and other badges, and are, except where otherwise stated, worn on the shoulder straps as for Army Officers. The badges are to be $\frac{1}{2}$ inch size and of gilding metal or anodised, except that:—

(i) *With Khaki Battledress and Denison Smock*.—Worsted badges on the scarlet infantry background are to be worn.

(ii) *With the Mess Jacket*.—Officers below the rank of Colonel—miniature gilding metal or anodised badges $\frac{1}{2}$ inch size. For Colonels and above see Parts 1 and 2.

- (c) *Letters "RM"*, polished gilding metal or anodised, size $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, are to be worn in the centre of the shoulder straps below badges of rank and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the shoulder seam. They are not worn with Mess Dress or Battledress or in any Dress by Colonels and above.

- (d) *Buttons* (except General Officers—see Part 1).

(i) *Blue and Khaki Drill Uniform, Greatcoat, Boat Cloak*.—gilding metal or anodised, raised round button with extruded shank. At the centre a foul anchor under a crown surrounded by a double rim enclosing the words "Royal Marines", and this in turn surrounded by a laurel wreath. In two sizes—1 inch and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; the smaller button for pockets, shoulder straps and sleeves of blue tunic.

(ii) *Mess Jacket*.—gilt metal or anodised raised round with mounted Lion and Crown in silver with extruded shank. Size $\frac{1}{2}$ inch.

(iii) *Cap and Mess Waistcoat*.—as for Mess Jacket, but size $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. Similar buttons but in bronze are worn on Service Dress forage caps.

- (e) All gilding metal badges are to be polished.

- (f) *Flying Badges*

(i) *Naval Pilots' and Observers' Badges*.—are to be worn by entitled Royal Marines officers under the same conditions as Naval Officers (see Naval Uniforms (Officers) Article 42). The badges are worn as follows:—

On blue tunics, khaki tunics and battledress.—The full sized badge is worn in central position $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the top row of medal ribbons, or if no medal ribbons are worn, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the left breast pocket.

On Mess Dress.—The Observers' badge or miniature Pilots' badge is worn immediately below the Corps badge on

the left lapel, miniature medals being lowered accordingly.

- (ii) *Parachute Badges*.—The Army Pattern parachute badge, with wings, may be worn by officers who are qualified parachutists and are serving or have served in Airborne, Commando or Special Boat units. The appropriate badge is to be worn on the right arm, 2 inches below the shoulder seam.

On battledress and tunics.—The full sized badge; khaki pattern on khaki dress and the blue and gold pattern of blue dress.

On Mess Dress.—The miniature badge (length 2 inches, height $\frac{1}{2}$ inch), gold on scarlet.

- (g) *King's Badge*.—As in Section III of Uniform Regulations for N.C.O.s and men. To be worn by entitled officers in all orders of blue, khaki and khaki drill dress. A gold on scarlet badge may be worn in Nos. 2, 6 and 7 Dresses.

- (h) *Duke of Edinburgh's Medallion*.—Medallions awarded in connection with the Duke of Edinburgh's Trophy are to be worn in uniform by both officers and other ranks only on occasions when the Duke of Edinburgh visits Royal Marines units in his capacity as Captain General. The medallion consists of a circular centre piece surrounded by a wreath of laurels and surmounted by a coronet and with a brooch fastener. It is 1.4 inches in diameter. The centre piece shows on the obverse crossed rifles and SMG. It is to be worn centrally on the pleat of the right breast pocket in all orders of blue, khaki and khaki drill dress, with the top of the coronet $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the bottom of the pocket flap.

- (i) *Flashes, Amphibious Warfare*.—Embroidered in red on blue background. To be worn on khaki battledress by all officers serving on the complement of Amphibious Warfare units. The flash is to be worn centrally on each arm with the top of the device 1 inch below the bottom of the "Royal Marines" arm badge. The position of the King's, parachute, or rank badges are not to be altered to enable the Amphibious Warfare flash to be worn: in cases where it clashes with the wearing of other badges, the flash will not be worn.

2. *Mourning*.—On all occasions on which mourning has been specially ordered or is authorised in Queen's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, officers are to wear a piece of black crepe 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide round the left arm and above the elbow; no other mark of mourning is ever to be worn unless specially ordered.

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

4. *Jewellery*.—Watch chains, pencil clips, tiepins, or other trinkets are not to be visible when worn with uniform.

5. *Obsolete Uniforms*.—Officers in possession of the following items of uniform may wear them on the occasions shown below:—

Articles	Occasions when worn
Khaki Service Dress	{ In place of khaki battle dress when not on parade with troops. Brown shoes are to be worn with this dress.
Khaki Cloth Belt	
Forage Cap, Service Dress	{ When Khaki Service Dress is worn.
Caps, F.S. Blue	{ Optionally in Nos. 2, 6, 7, 2W, 6W and 7W Dresses.

SECTION III

ORDERS, DECORATIONS AND MEDALS—MANNER OF WEARING

1. *Orders, decorations and medals* are to be worn in the manner laid down for Naval officers, except that:

- the medal bar is to be positioned directly over any ribbons already stitched to the garment;
- miniature medals are always to be worn by entitled officers on the lapel of the mess jacket $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the Corps badge;
- when Naval officers wear miniature medal ribbons Royal Marines officers are to wear miniature medals.

2. *Medal Ribbons*.—When medals are not worn, ribbons $\frac{1}{2}$ inch long are to be worn without intervals on the left breast pocket of blue uniform, khaki drill, blue battledress and khaki battledress.

Order of precedence of wearing is to be from right to left, starting with the top row. Normally, if the total number of ribbons does not exceed five, they are to be worn in one row, but in no case is the row to extend to the right further than the outer edge of the lapel or to the left further than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch from the shoulder seam. The row is to be sewn $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the top seam of the left breast pocket, centrally above the pocket button. With khaki drill, the ribbons are to be worn on a metal bar or bars.

When more than five ribbons are worn or where the

space available does not permit five ribbons being worn in one row, any additional rows are to be worn above the first row, the lower row to be full. Rows of ribbons are to be $\frac{1}{2}$ inch apart, but this may be reduced if rendered necessary by the number of rows and the space available. The additional row (or rows) is to be sewn as nearly centrally above the pocket button as practicable, but it is in no case to extend beyond the ends of the bottom row.

3. *Neck Orders*.—In day dress an officer in possession of one badge is to wear it round the neck with the riband under the shirt collar and the badge over the tie. An officer in possession of badges of more than one Order is to wear the badge of the highest grade as described above, and the second is to be worn below the other, suspended from a riband emerging about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the top button of the jacket, the riband being fastened by a hook to a small eye stitched inside the jacket. In evening dress one neck order only is to be worn, over the collar, with the badge hanging as close as possible below the bow tie.

4. The maximum numbers of insignia of Orders, decorations and medals which may be worn in the several orders of dress are to be as laid down in the Tables of Dress for Naval officers.

SECTION IV

SCALES OF INITIAL UNIFORM OUTFITS FOR OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL MARINES AND R.M.F.V.R.

Part 1.—General Service Officers

Articles other than those in italics are obtained from Service sources.

	No.
<i>Boots, ankle, black, plain toe-caps</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Cane, regulation</i> ..	1
<i>Greatcoat</i> ..	1
<i>Jacket, Mess</i> ..	1
<i>Stars, worsted, for battledress and denim overalls</i> ..	2 Sets
<i>Stars, gilt, for greatcoats</i> ..	1 Set
<i>Ties, khaki</i> ..	2
<i>Trousers, blue serge</i> ..	2 Prs.
<i>Tunics, blue serge</i> ..	2
<i>Waistcoat, mess, blue</i> ..	1
<i>Anklets, web</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Badges, cap; Globe and Laurel</i> ..	1
<i>" " Lion and Crown</i> ..	1
<i>Beret, blue</i> ..	1
<i>Blouse, battledress, khaki</i> ..	1
<i>" " blue</i> ..	1
<i>" " overall, denim</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Boots, ankle, Army pattern</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Cap, plastic, R.M. Officers', complete with badge</i> ..	1
<i>Collars, semi-stiff, khaki</i> ..	4
<i>" " white, stiff</i> ..	12
<i>" " winged</i> ..	6
<i>Gloves, brown cape</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Lanyard, blue</i> ..	1
<i>Mackintosh, Army pattern</i> ..	1
<i>Sam Browne belt, right brace and frog</i> ..	1 Set
<i>Shirts, evening, stiff fronted</i> ..	3
<i>" " khaki flannel, collar attached</i> ..	2

<i>Shirts, khaki poplin, R.M. officers'</i> ..	2
<i>" " white, soft double cuffs</i> ..	4
<i>Shoes, black leather, with toe-caps</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Socks, black, officers'</i> ..	6 Prs.
<i>Socks, khaki</i> ..	3 Prs.
<i>Ties, black</i> ..	2
<i>Tie, evening, double-ended</i> ..	1
<i>Towels, terry cotton, hand</i> ..	3
<i>Trousers, battledress, khaki</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>" " serge</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>" " overall, denim</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Trunk, steel</i> ..	1
<i>Whistle, infantry</i> ..	1
<i>Pillow slips, cotton</i> ..	4
<i>Sheets, cotton, single</i> ..	4

Issued on personal loan

TROPICAL OUTFIT

<i>Badges, collar, Globe and Laurel</i> ..	2 Prs.
<i>Buttons, large (for tunic)</i> ..	4
<i>" " small (for tunic)</i> ..	6
<i>" " (for white mess jacket)</i> ..	4
<i>Letters, "R.M." (for tunic)</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Stars, gilt (for tunic)</i> ..	1 Set
<i>" " (for white mess jacket)</i> ..	1 Set
<i>Jackets, mess white</i> ..	3
<i>Kamarband, scarlet</i> ..	1
<i>Sandals, leather</i> ..	1 Pr.
<i>Shirts, khaki cellular</i> ..	2
<i>Shorts, drill, khaki</i> ..	3 Prs.
<i>Stockings, khaki</i> ..	4 Prs.
<i>Trousers, drill, khaki</i> ..	3 Prs.
<i>Tunics, drill, khaki</i> ..	2

Part 2.—R.M.F.V.R. and National Service Officers

	No.
Stars, worsted, for battledress and denim overalls	2 Sets
Tie, khaki	1
Trousers, blue, serge	1 pr.
Tunic, blue serge	1
Beret, blue	1
Blouse, battledress, khaki	1
† Boots, ankle, Army pattern	1 Pr.
• " " composition soled	1 Pr.
Cap, plastic, R.M. Officers', complete with badge	1
Collars, semi-stiff, khaki	4
• " white, stiff	4
Gloves, brown cape	1 Pr.
Lanyard, blue	1
Mackintosh, Army pattern	1
Sam Browne belt, right brace and frog	1 Set
†† Shirt, khaki flannel, collar attached	1
Shirts, khaki poplin, R.M. officers'	2
• " white, soft double cuff	2
Shoes, black leather, with toe-caps	1 Pr.
Socks, black, officers'	2 Prs.
• " khaki	2 Prs.
Tie, black	1
• Towels, terry cotton, hand	3
Trousers, battledress, khaki	1 Pr.

	No.
Whistle, Infantry	1
* Pillow slips, cotton } Issued on	4
† Sheets, cotton, single } personal loan	4
TROPICAL OUTFIT (National Service Officers, R.M.)	
Badges, collar, globe and laurel	1 Pr.
Buttons, large (for tunic)	4
• " small (for tunic)	6
Letters "RM" (for tunic)	1 Pr.
Stars, gilt (for tunic)	1 Set
Shirts, khaki, cellular	3
Shorts, drill, khaki	3 Prs.
Stockings, khaki	4 Prs.
Trousers, drill, khaki	3 Prs.
Tunics, drill khaki	2

Notes

* For issue only to National Service Officers R.M. during full time National Service.

† Not for issue to R.M.F.V.R. officers appointed to Small Boat Sections or Commando Wing on entry.

† For issue only to National Service officers (except those promoted within 12 months of entry as other ranks) and to R.M.F.V.R. officers appointed to Small Boat Sections and Commando Wing on entry.

†† 2 for National Service officers R.M.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS FOR NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE ROYAL MARINES

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SECTION I ORDERS OF DRESS

1. Numbers and descriptions of dresses, and occasions on which to be worn

(Numbers of Dresses correspond to Dresses for Seamen as far as practicable)

Dress No.	Occasions on which to be worn	Description of Dress	Articles to be worn optionally or when ordered
1 Ceremonial Blue	Ceremonial duties. On Sundays in harbour. On shore leave on Sundays when caps, and, in the case of the Band Service, serge tunics are to be worn.	White Cap, serge tunic, tweed trousers, white web belt, white gloves, medals, gold chevrons and badges. Senior N.C.O.s—Sashes. Band Service and Buglers—Blue cloth tunic, buff belt and band equipment. Buglers—Dress cords, royal.	Helmet when ordered. Black shoes and blue socks—optional for walking out. Brown leather gloves—optional for Senior N.C.O.s for walking out.
2 Undress	Minor ceremonial. On Sundays when at sea and by dutymen in harbour on weekdays. Walking out and shore leave on weekdays. On draft between ships and units in U.K. (See also No. 3 Dress.)	As for No. 1 except:— Band Service to wear serge tunic. No medals or white gloves.	Black shoes and blue socks—optional for walking out. Brown leather gloves—optional for all Senior N.C.O.s when walking out and by Senior N.C.O.s of the Band Service when on duty.
3 Drill	Routine duties and training. As alternative to No. 2 Dress for baggage parties and drafts in U.K. at C.O.s discretion.	Cap, serge tunic and tweed or serge trousers, red chevrons and badges. Web belt.	Beret when specially ordered.
3A Battledress	Military training ashore and afloat, and active service ashore.	Beret, khaki battledress. Web belt. Khaki chevrons and badges.	
3B Shirt Sleeve Order	Ashore in U.K. only, in hot weather, as ordered.	Beret, khaki flannel shirt, khaki battledress trousers, web belt, white tape chevrons.	Cap and tweed or serge trousers when ordered.
4 Night clothing	When off duty and after working hours ashore and afloat. Bad weather afloat.	Beret, serge tunic, tweed or serge trousers. N.C.O.s—Red chevrons.	
6 Ceremonial Khaki Drill	In place of No. 1 in hot weather.	White cap, khaki drill tunic and trousers, white web belt, khaki on khaki drill chevrons, medals. Senior N.C.O.s—Sashes. Buglers—Dress cords, royal. Band Service—Buff belt and band equipment.	Helmet when ordered. Black shoes—optional for walking out.
6A Khaki Drill	In hot weather as ordered.	White cap, khaki drill tunic and trousers, white web belt, khaki on khaki drill chevrons, medal ribbons. Senior N.C.O.s—Sashes. Buglers—Dress cords, royal. Band Service—Buff belt and band equipment.	Black shoes optional for walking out.

SECTION I. ORDERS OF DRESS—continued

Dress No.	Occasions on which to be worn	Description of Dress	Articles to be worn optionally or when ordered
7 Tropical Undress	In place of No. 2 in hot weather.	White cap, khaki cellular shirt, letters R.M., khaki drill trousers, white web belt. N.C.O.s—White tape chevrons. Senior N.C.O.s—Sashes. Buglers—Dress cords, royal.	Black shoes with trousers or black shoes with khaki stockings and shorts—optional for walking out. Medals to be worn when ordered. Beret to be worn when ordered.
8 Working Dress	Working parties and action stations afloat.	Beret, khaki flannel shirt, khaki drill trousers. N.C.O.s—White tape chevrons.	Blue or denim trousers to be worn when ordered.
8A Working Dress	In place of No. 8 for Landing Craft Crews only.	Beret, action/working dress shirt, blue trousers, web belt, gym shoes. N.C.O.s—Red on blue chevrons.	Seamen's blue jersey to be worn when ordered.
9 Overall Dress	Refitting and other dirty work afloat. Fatigues and training ashore.	Beret, denim suit. N.C.O.s—Khaki chevrons.	Web belt, anklets, shoes } As ordered.
10 Tropical Drill	Routine duties ashore and afloat in hot weather.	White cap, khaki cellular shirt, letters R.M., khaki drill shorts, hosetops or khaki stockings, web belt, anklets. N.C.O.s—White tape chevrons.	Beret to be worn when ordered.
10A Tropical Working Dress	In place of No. 8 in hot weather. This Dress may also be worn as a Working Dress when serving in Shore Establishments in hot climates at the discretion of the Senior Officer.	Beret, khaki cellular shirt, khaki drill or blue trousers or khaki drill shorts. N.C.O.s—White tape chevrons.	Either (a) khaki stockings and black shoes of (b) sandals are to be worn with shorts.
11 Tropical Battledress	In place of No. 3A in hot weather.	Beret, khaki cellular shirt, letters R.M., khaki drill trousers, web belt, anklets. N.C.O.s—White tape chevrons.	See Amplifying Orders.

2. Amplifying Orders

When necessary the following orders may be added after the number or name of a dress with the meaning shown:—

Order	To be worn or carried
"Greatcoats"	Greatcoats. For duty web belts are to be worn over the coat. For leave—belts are to be worn below. R.M. Band Service—belts to be worn below the coat on all occasions. The cross belt and music pouch will be worn over the coat.
"Gloves"	Khaki woollen gloves.
"Pullovers"	Khaki pullovers without blouse or over khaki drill dress; web belts outside pullovers.
"Capes"	Ground Sheets. Band ranks are to wear capes W.P. Officers and Regimental Sergeants-Major are to wear waterproof coats.
"Shorts"	Shorts khaki drill and hosetops or khaki stockings in place of trousers khaki drill.
"Shoes"	Khaki stockings and black shoes in place of boots (and hosetops).

3. Boots are always to be worn unless otherwise indicated. Special orders will be issued when required on whether sea service, shore service or composition soled boots are to be worn.

SECTION II
Occasions and Methods of Wearing Certain Articles of Dress

1. Berets are to be worn by all other ranks, with appropriate orders of dress, so that the leather binding is level round the head and 1 inch above the eyebrows, with the crown pulled to the right, as follows:—

- (i) Blue—whilst under training.
- (ii) Green—
 - (a) on completion of Commando training or, if not required to carry out this training, on reaching an equivalent standard;
 - (b) by all other ranks of the R.M. Band Service and Buglers on attaining Adult 1st Class status or on first draft to H.M. Ships, R.N. Establishments or Commando Formations or Units, whichever is the sooner.

2. Coloured Lanyards and Garter Tabs are to be worn by the following:—

HQ, 3 Cdo. Bde.	Green.
40 Commando	Light Blue.
41 Commando	Old Gold.

- ✓ 42 Commando .. White.
 43 Commando .. Old Gold and Scarlet.
 45 Commando .. Scarlet.

The coloured lanyards are to be worn on the right shoulder with khaki uniforms only. They are not to be worn in Nos. 6 or 7 Dresses.

3. *Swords and Sam Browne Belt* are to be worn by R.S.M.s when Officers wear swords and Sam Browne belts, etc., in their corresponding dress.

4. *Brown leather sword belt* is to be worn in Nos. 1, 1A, 2, 3, 3B, 6, 6A and 7 Dresses by Q.M.S.s, Staff Bandmasters, Bandmasters, Drum Majors and Bugle Majors.

5. *Swords* are to be worn in Nos. 1 and 6 Dresses by Q.M.S.s, Staff Bandmasters, Bandmasters, Drum Majors, Bugle Majors and Provost Sergeants if ordered.

6. *Khaki Battledress*. Khaki battledress blouses are to be worn open at the neck with shirt and tie of regulation pattern on all occasions when the wearing of khaki battledress is authorised. No tie pins or collar pins are to be worn.

7. *Blue Battledress*. Men in possession of blue battledress may wear it in lieu of blue serge tunics in No. 4 Dress when ordered by Commanding Officers.

8. *Sashes* when worn are to be fitted over the serge tunic passing under the right shoulder strap so that they lie naturally and closely across the chest. The ends of the tassels are to be in line with the bottom of the tunic. When not wearing a tunic the sash will be worn in the same relative position.

9. *Mourning*.—If men, for private reasons, wish to wear mourning they may cover the second button of the tunic with crepe.

10. *Despatch Riders and Grooms* are to wear the special clothing issued on all occasions of duty.

11. *Police*. Ranks on Unit Police duties are to wear the authorised armband on the left sleeve immediately above the cuff of tunic, blouse or greatcoat.

12. *Knife Lanyards* are to be worn with Nos. 3A and 11 Dresses on the right shoulder in an ordinary loop with the running end passed directly into the left side of the pocket without forming a bight.

13. R.M. Cadets (Upper Yardmen) are to wear the uniform of their rank with the addition of a curved white flash 1 inch × 4 inches on both sleeves of blue uniform suits in a position immediately below the seam of the sleeve and the shoulder.

14. *Evening Dress for Senior N.C.O.s*. The following dress may be worn on certain formal evening occasions on an optional basis by:—

- (a) all S.N.C.O.s serving in R.M. Establishments and Units, and
 (b) Colour Sergeants and above serving in H.M. Ships and R.N. Establishments in tropical climates:—

White mess jacket of Officers' pattern.
 Evening tie.
 Shirts, either soft white or soft with marcella front and cuffs or soft with ribbed front and cuffs.
 Collar, soft, turned down (to match shirt front).
 Trousers, blue uniform.
 Shoes, black leather, uniform pattern.
 Socks, black.
 Scarlet silk kammarband (R.M. Officers' pattern).
 Globe and laurel badge, Officers' pattern (on lapel of mess jacket).
 Buttons, gilt R.M., small 4 No. (on front edge of mess jacket).
 Miniature medals.
 Badges of rank on right sleeve as follows:—

R.S.M.s, Q.M.S.s, Staff Bandmasters, Bandmasters
 Embroidered gold on scarlet.

Colour Sergeants
 Miniature gold chevrons 2 inches wide on scarlet background with small embroidered gold on scarlet crown above.

Sergeants

Miniature gold chevrons 2 inches wide on scarlet background.

King's Badge (see Section III, Note 18).

Approval for the wearing of the Dress will in every instance be at the discretion of the Commanding Officer or the Senior Officer where more than one ship or establishment is concerned and will normally be given only in respect of organised evening social functions taking place in, or sponsored by, H.M. Ships or Establishments or in other Services, Messes and at functions organised by Civic authorities for the Services as appropriate.

SECTION III

Badges

1. *Cap Badges* consisting of globe and laurel with lion and crown above are to be worn centrally in front of the cap, with the top of the red welt running through the crown and level with the 2 holes in the crown. A composite gilding metal badge is worn by Corporals and below, a composite gilt badge by Bandmasters, Colour Sergeants and Sergeants, and a separate gilt lion and crown badge is worn above a gilt globe and laurel badge by Regimental Sergeants-Major, Quartermaster Sergeants and Staff Bandmasters. Cap Badges as described above are also worn on berets by all ranks positioned immediately over the left eye as follows:—

(a) R.S.M.s, Q.M.S.s and Staff Bandmasters—see Section II Part 3 (d) of the regulations for Officers.

(b) ranks other than those at (a) above:—

(i) *Blue Berets*—centrally within and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the bottom of the red patch.

(ii) *Green Berets*— $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the leather band.

(See Section V for special cap badges worn by R.M. Band Service ranks.)

2. *Collar Badge* consisting of globe and laurel, in gilt for Senior N.C.O.s and gilding metal for Corporals and below, is to be worn on each collar of the blue tunic. The badge is to be set $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the collar seam with the centre of badge 2 inches from the edge of the collar.

(See Section V for special collar badges worn by Junior Musicians.)

3. *Letters R.M.* in gilt for Senior N.C.O.s and gilding metal for Corporals and below are to be worn on blue tunics, greatcoats, tunics khaki drill. The letters are to be set in the centre of the shoulder strap, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above shoulder seam.

4. *Badges, arm, lettered ROYAL MARINES* embroidered in red on a blue background are to be worn on khaki battledress, except by Commando ranks (see paragraph 5 below). The badges are to be worn on both arms centrally below the shoulder strap, with the upper edge of the badge 1 inch below the shoulder seam.

5. *Badges, arm, lettered, "Royal Marines Commando" and the Commando Formation Sign ("Dagger")* embroidered in red on a blue background are to be worn on khaki battledress by all ranks serving on the posted strength of a Commando Formation, Unit or Sub-Unit.

The Arm badge is to be worn centrally on the upper arm with the top 1 inch below the shoulder seam; the "Dagger" vertically below, the top of the device being 1 inch below the bottom of the Arm badge.

6. *Flashes, Amphibious Warfare* embroidered in red on a blue background are to be worn on khaki battledress by all ranks serving on the complement of Amphibious Warfare Units.

The Flash is to be worn centrally on each arm with the top of the device 1 inch below the bottom of the "Royal Marines" arm badge.

7. Rank Badges

The badges indicating rank are as follows:—

Lance Corporal	Chevron 1 bar
Corporal	Chevrons 2 bar
Sergeant	Chevrons 3 bar
Colour Sergeant	Chevrons 3 bar with crown above
Quartermaster Sergeant ..	Crown and Wreath
Regimental Sergeant-Major ..	Royal Arms
Bandmaster	Lyre, Wreath and Crown
Bandmasters of Portsmouth, Plymouth and R.M. Schools of Music Staff Bands	3 inverted chevrons with lyre above
Staff Bandmaster	Crown and Wreath
Bugle Major	4 inverted chevrons with bugle above
Drum Major	4 inverted chevrons with drum above
Provost Sergeants	3 inverted chevrons

These badges are worn on all dresses, with the exception of greatcoat, above the elbow by Colour Sergeant and below, and below the elbow by Bandmasters, Staff Bandmasters, Bandmasters of Staff Bands, Provost Sergeants, Drum Majors, Bugle Majors, Quartermaster Sergeants and Regimental Sergeants-Major as follows:—

Colour Sergeants and below centrally between the sleeve seams, the bottom point of the lower chevron being 1½ inches from the shoulder seam. *Bandmasters, Staff Bandmasters, Quartermaster Sergeants and Regimental Sergeants-Major* centrally between the sleeve seams, the bottom point of the badge to be approximately ½ inch from point of slash, except on khaki battledress when the distance is to be 2 inches above top of cuff seam.

Drum Majors, Bugle Majors, Bandmasters of Staff Bands and Provost Sergeants centrally between the sleeve seams, the inner angle of the lower chevron to be approximately ½ inch from the point of slash, except on khaki battledress when the distance of bottom point of the lower chevron is to be 2 inches above top of cuff.

When the above badges are worn on the greatcoat they are to be worn below the elbow by all ranks, the bottom point of the lower chevron or badge to be approximately ½ inch from top of cuff.

8. Chevrons and badges of rank are to be worn on the right arm with all orders of dress except as follows:—

(a) on khaki battledress and greatcoats these badges are worn on both arms.

(b) Regimental Sergeants-Major, Quartermaster Sergeants and Staff Bandmasters are to wear metal badges of rank on a leather strap with all orders of tropical dress and in shirt sleeve order. The same arrangement is applicable to Bandmasters, except when wearing khaki drill tunics (see paragraph 9 below).

9. *Colour Sergeants and below*: chevrons of rank are to be gold on scarlet for wear on Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses, red on blue for wear on other serge tunics, khaki on khaki for wear on greatcoats, khaki battle dress and denim suits, khaki on khaki drill for wear on khaki drill tunics and white tape on khaki drill for wear on khaki cellular and khaki flannel shirts.

Bandmasters, Staff Bandmasters, Quartermaster Sergeants and Regimental Sergeants-Major: badges of rank are to be gold on blue for wear on all blue tunics; khaki on khaki for wear on greatcoats, khaki battledress and denim suits; and gilding metal badges for wear with all other dresses, except that Bandmasters are to wear khaki on khaki drill on tunics khaki drill.

Drum Majors, Bugle Majors and Bandmasters of Staff Bands: chevrons and insignia of rank are to be gold on blue for wear on all blue tunics and khaki on khaki for wear on greatcoats and denim suits. *Provost Sergeants*: chevrons are to be gold on scarlet for wear on all blue tunics. On other dresses, chevrons are to be as for Bandmasters, etc., above.

10. *Good Conduct Badges* are not worn by non-commissioned officers but are worn by all other ranks entitled to them. The possession of one or more good conduct badges by these ranks is indicated by corresponding number of chevrons worn point up on the left arm, with the inner angle of the lower chevron ½ inch from point of slash, except on khaki battledress when the bottom point of the lower chevron is to be 2 inches above top of cuff.

Good conduct badges are to be worn on serge tunics, khaki battledress and khaki drill tunics only.

Good conduct badges are to be gold on scarlet for wear on best blue uniform suits, red on blue for wear on other blue uniform suits, khaki on khaki for wear on khaki battledress and khaki on khaki drill for wear on khaki drill tunics.

11. A descriptive list of specialist badges is given in paragraph 12 below. Stars and crown are to be added to specialist badges to denote the following standards of qualification:—

One star (above the basic device)	3rd Class specialist qualification.
Two stars (1 above and 1 below the basic device)	2nd Class specialist qualification.
Crown (above the basic device)	1st Class specialist qualification.
Crown above and 2 stars below the basic device	Men qualified as Gunnery, Physical Training or Signal Instructors.

12. The following is a descriptive list of specialist badges to be worn by Colour Sergeants and below:—

Branch	Device	Remarks
Assault	Letters AE in wreath	
Engineer	Letter C in wreath	
Clerk	Letter C in wreath	
Cliff Leader	Letters CL in wreath	
Cook	Letter K in wreath	
Drill & Platoon weapons	Crossed Rifles	
Driver	Steering wheel	
Gunnery	Crossed guns	Badges of design worn by Naval rates (P.O. and below) holding corresponding qualifications.
Heavy Weapons	Letters HW in wreath	
Landing Craft	Letters LC in wreath	
Physical Training	Crossed Clubs	P.T.Is and P.T. wear red on white badges on the centre of the chest on P.T. vests and sweaters.
Signaller	Crossed Flags	
Swimmer	Letters SC in wreath	
Canoeist	wreath	

13. The following is a descriptive list of skill or other special badges to be worn by Colour Sergeants and below:—

Badge	Device
Drummer	Drum.
Marksman	Crossed Rifles.
Musician	Lyre, wreath and crown.
Parachutist	Parachute and wings.
Sniper	Crossed Rifles, letter S above.
Tradesmen (Group "A" and "B")	Crossed Hammer and Pincers.
Tradesmen (Radio or Telegraphic Mechanic)	Circle with 3 lightning flashes on either side.

14. N.C.O.s wearing chevrons qualified as Instructors or 1st Class in any category or Specialist Qualification are to wear their badges as follows:—

Colour Sergeants: on the right arm $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the point of the cuff.

Sergeants and below: above the chevrons, the bottom of the badge to be inserted into the "V" of the top chevron or to be fitted as close to it as possible depending on the amount of back-cloth upon which the badge is embroidered. The position of badges comprising a basic device of crossed guns, clubs, rifles and flags is to be such that the lower ends of these basic devices are $\frac{1}{2}$ inch distant from the top edge of the back-cloth of the chevrons.

15. Tradesmen are to wear the Tradesman badge (crossed Hammer and Pincers or Circle with 3 lightning flashes on either side) on their right upper arm. N.C.O. Tradesmen as for Instructors and 1st Class S.O. badges. Musicians/Buglers are to wear their badges in the same relative position as for Tradesmen. Parachutist badges are to be worn below the point of the right shoulder by N.C.O.s and men who are qualified parachutists and who are serving or have served in Airborne, Commando or Small Raid Units and formations.

16. Except as provided above all other skill and specialist badges are to be worn on the left arm $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the point of cuff or good conduct badge respectively (2 inches from the cuff seam on blouses, battledress, khaki and 7 inches from the bottom of the sleeve on jackets, service dress, O.R.s R.M. Grooms only). Where skill and specialist badges are worn together a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch is to be left clear between each badge, and badges are to be in the following order commencing at the bottom:—

Current specialist badge.

Skill (Marksman or Sniper)

Not more than 1 specialist badge is to be worn by any rank. Badges awarded during former service in the Army or Royal Air Force are not to be worn unless such badges are authorised for wear by other ranks R.M. (e.g., parachute badge).

17. Specialist, skill or other special badges are to be embroidered in gold on blue for wear with best blue uniform suits, in red (blue or yellow) on blue for wear with other blue uniform suits, in khaki (or blue) on khaki serge for wear with khaki battledress and in khaki (or blue) on khaki drill for wear with khaki drill tunics. The musicians badge will be provided in gilding metal only and will not be worn on full dress tunic.

18. *The King's Badge* consisting of the Royal Cypher, "G.R. V." surrounded by a laurel wreath, is to be worn below the point of the left shoulder, in gold on Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses, red on blue on other serge tunics, in khaki on khaki on khaki battledress, in khaki on khaki drill on khaki drill tunics and gold on scarlet on S.N.C.O.s evening dress.

19. *The Duke of Edinburgh's Medallion* is designed as a brooch and depicts crossed rifles and sub-machine gun in a circular centre piece surrounded by a laurel wreath surmounted by a Coronet, the whole 1.4 inches in diameter. It is to be worn centrally on the pleat of the right breast pocket in all orders of blue, khaki and khaki drill dress, with the top of the Coronet $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the bottom of the pocket flap only on occasions when the Duke of Edinburgh visits R.M. Units in his capacity as Captain General.

20. *Duke of Edinburgh's Award.* Juniors who receive this award may, whilst serving in training establishments, wear the embroidered (pocket) badge of the Award in the same manner as skill badges, viz., on the left forearm.

SECTION IV

Medals and Medal Ribbons

1. *Medals.*—Medals are to be worn in the manner laid down for Naval Ratings except that:—

- (a) the length of the ribbons of medals is normally to be 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches, irrespective of the number of rows of medal ribbons worn;

- (b) where 3 or more medals are worn the length of the medal bar is normally to be as shown below:—

3 medals ..	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches
4 " " "	5 "
5 or more medals	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Men of small build having 5 or more medals may wear a 5-inch bar.

- (c) with No. 1 Dress, the medal bar is to be attached to the tunic immediately above the medal ribbons by beackets sewn on the garment.
- (d) with Nos. 5 and 6 Dresses, the medal bar is to be attached to the khaki drill tunic or bush jacket by the eyelet holes used for the medal ribbon bar.

2. *Medal Ribbons.*—Are to be sewn on blue tunic, and on blue and khaki battledress blouses. On the drill tunic and bush jacket ribbons are to be worn on a bar or bars. The ribbons are to be $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in length, sewn in the proper sequence, the senior Decoration or Medal commencing from the inner edge of the top row; they are not to overlap and when there is not sufficient room to wear them in 1 row they are to be worn in 2 or more rows. Normally 5 or less medal ribbons are to be worn in 1 row, but this is dependent upon the physique of the individual and type of garment (i.e., with closed or open neck). The bottom edge of the lowest row is to be $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the upper edge of the pocket with $\frac{1}{2}$ inch interval between rows. This distance may be reduced if rendered necessary by the number of rows and space available. The ribbons are to be sewn centrally above the button of the pocket flap but there is to be a space of not less than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch between outer ribbon and the sleeve seam. When 2 or more rows are worn, the upper rows are to be completed last. When there is a smaller number of ribbons in the second or subsequent rows the shorter rows are to be arranged centrally above the button of the pocket flap.

SECTION V

Dress for R.M. Band Service

1. *Badges.*—The same as in Section III except as follows:—

- (a) *Junior Musicians* until completion of training at R.M. School of Music are to wear the "Lyre" collar badge set with the centre pin 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches from the front edge of the tunic collar.
- (b) *Bandmasters of the Portsmouth, Plymouth and R.M. School of Music Staff Bands* are to wear inverted chevrons and lyre on the bottom of the sleeve of the right arm in lieu of the badge of rank of Bandmaster.
- (c) *Portsmouth Staff Band.* The helmet plate has two Royal Cyphers in silver attached to it; the cypher G.R. V over the anchor and below the globe on the helmet plate, and the cypher E. II R/P.P. below the crown. The cap badge consists of a gilt grenade on which is mounted the cypher G.R. V and crown in silver, surrounded by a laurel wreath. The cypher E. II R/P.P. with crown in silver is to be worn on the cap immediately above the cap badge.
- (d) *H.M. Yacht Band* wear the woven arm badge "Royal Yacht" which is sewn 1 inch below the seam of the right shoulder.
- (e) *Plymouth Staff Band.* The Prince of Wales's plume is worn upon the regimental badge of helmet plate and cap.

2. *Medals* are to be worn as in Section IV except that Drum Majors are to wear miniature medals on the drum sash on ceremonial occasions.

3. *Trousers* are to have a broad red stripe except that Junior Musicians are to wear trousers with a narrow red stripe until completion of training at R.M. School of Music.

SECTION VI

Scales of Kit

1. Compulsory Kit

Initial free issues on entry

Badges:—

	Globe and Laurel, Lion and Crown, G.M.	2 No.
(a)	Globe and Laurel GM	4 No.
	Letters "R.M." GM	6 No.
(k)	Drums, Gold on Blue	1 No.
	Yellow on Blue	1 No.
(h)	Lyre, Wreath and Crown GM	2 No.
	Bag, Linen, brown	1 No.
	Belt, waist, blue RM	1 No.
(u)	Beret, blue	1 No.
(b)	Blouse, battledress, khaki	1 No.
	overall, denim	1 No.
	Boots, ankle, Army pattern	1 Pr.
(n)(f)	composition soled	1 Pr.
	Braces, trouser	1 Pr.
	Brush, button	1 No.
	hair	1 No.
	shoe, cleaning	1 No.
	polishing	1 No.
	tooth	1 No.
	Brass, cleaning	1 No.
	Cap, plastic, R.M.	1 No.
	white, R.M.	1 No.
(s)	Collar, khaki flannel	1 No.
	Comb, hair	1 No.
	Disc, identity, red	1 No.
	Disc, identity, green	1 No.
	Cord for disc	1 No.
(r)	Drawers	3 Prs.
	Fork	1 No.
	Gloves, knitted, khaki	1 Pr.
	cotton, white	1 Pr.
	Greatcoat	1 No.
	Holdall	1 No.
	Housewife, filled	1 No.
	Jersey, pullover	1 No.
(d)	sports	2 No.
	Knife	1 No.
(n)	clasp	1 No.
(n)	Lanyard, Army pattern	1 No.
	Mug, enamel	1 No.
(d)	Polish, liquid, metal	1 Tin
(e)	Pyjamas, seamen's	2 Suits
(p)	Pillow slips	2 No.
	Sheets, ratings	3 No.
	Shirts, khaki flannel, collar attached	2 No.
(s)	Shirt, khaki flannel, without collar	1 No.
(f)	Shirts, knitted, cooks	4 No.
	Shoes, black leather	1 Pr.
(c)	gymnasium	1 Pr.
(d)	Shorts, recreational	2 Prs.
	Socks, worsted	4 Prs.
	Spoon	1 No.
(g)	Stockings, blue, thick	2 Prs.
(o)	Thread, worsted, military grey	2 Balls
(b)	Tie, worsted, braid, drab	1 No.
	Towels, hand	2 No.
(b)	Trousers, battledress, khaki	1 Pr.
	overall, denim	1 Pr.
(g)	serge	1 Pr.
	tweed:—	
(l)	Royal Marines	1 Pr.
(q), (h)	RM Band Service	2 Prs.
(f)	Trousers, white drill	4 Prs.
(g)	Tunics, serge	2 No.
	Type	1 No.
(r)	Vests	3 No.
	Wallet for paybook	1 No.

Items issued on personal loan

(f)	Aprons, cooks	4 No.
	Bag, kit, seamen's	1 No.
	universal	1 No.
(j)	Ball, ornament, GM	1 No.
(h)	Cape, WP, band	1 No.
(f)	Caps, cooks	4 No.
(j)	Chain, chin, GM	1 No.

(h)	Device for pouch	1 No.
(h)	Dress, cords, "Royal," worsted	1 No.
(j)	Front plate, GM	1 No.
(j)	Helmet, WP	1 No.
	Net camouflage, helmet	1 No.
(m)	Sheet, ground	1 No.
(n)	Tunic, cloth, yellow braided	1 No.

Notes.—

- (a) Junior Musicians are to be given 4 No. Lyres GM in lieu of Badges Globe and Laurel.
- (b) Not to be issued to Band Ranks or Buglers.
- (c) Ranks entered before 1st September, 1959, may be in possession of boots, ankle, Navy pattern and shoes, brown canvas, in lieu.
- (d) Not compulsory after initial training.
- (e) Issued to men and to juniors entered for the first time on or after 1st July, 1951.
- (f) To be issued immediately prior to commencing Cooks qualifying course only.
- (g) Issue to be restricted to juniors.
- (h) Band Ranks only.
- (j) Buglers only.
- (j) Buglers and Musicians only.
- (i) Buglers are to be provided with 2 prs.
- (m) To be issued to:—
- (i) All Musicians and Junior Musicians on being rated Musician;
- (ii) Junior Buglers who are sufficiently well trained to play in bands;
- (iii) Ex-Buglers and other ranks in H.M. Ships who perform in bands on ceremonial occasions.
- (n) Not to be issued to Band Ranks.
- (o) After issue this item will form part of the housewife.
- (p) Issued on personal loan to National Service ranks.
- (g) Junior Musicians to be issued with trousers and tunics as follows:—
- (i) On entry
- Trousers serge 2 Prs.
- Trousers tweed 1 Pr.
- Tunics serge 2 No.
- (ii) On completion of 2 years' service
- Trousers tweed 1 Pr.
- Tunics serge 1 No.
- (r) Underwear to be of optional pattern at the ranks choice.
- (s) Band Ranks and Buglers, when issued with Tunic, cloth, yellow braided, may, alternatively, maintain 2 shirts, knitted, cooks, in lieu.
- (f) Musicians are to be given one pair boots, ankle, Navy pattern and Junior Musicians one extra of boots, ankle, Army pattern, in lieu.
- (u) Not compulsory after issue of green beret.

2. Tropical Clothing

Free issues of tropical clothing to men on drafting to a ship or station where tropical clothing is required or to U.K. based Commando Units (see Note (viii)).

Scale (a)—Men drafted for the first time.

	Tunics, drill, khaki	2 No.
(ii)	Trousers, drill, khaki	3 Prs.
(ii)	Shirts, khaki, cellular	3 No.
(ii)	Shorts, drill, khaki	3 Prs.
(iii)	white, drill	2 Prs.
(iii)	Stockings, khaki	3 Prs.
(vii)	Boots, ankle, Navy pattern	1 Pr.
	Sandals, leather	1 Pr.

Scale (b)—Men drafted for a second (or subsequent) time—Previous issues, Scale (a) above or Scale (c) below.

	Tunic, drill, khaki	1 No.
	Trousers, drill, khaki	1 Pr.
	Shirts, khaki, cellular	1 No.
(iv)	Shorts, drill, khaki	2 Prs.
	Stockings, khaki	3 Prs.

Scale (c)—Men drafted for a second (or subsequent) time who have not previously received issues under Scale (a) above.

	Tunics, drill, khaki	2 No.
	Trousers, drill, khaki	2 Prs.
(v)	Shirts, khaki, cellular	2 No.

(ii) Shorts, drill, khaki	3 Prs.
(iii) " white drill	2 Prs.
Stockings, khaki	3 Prs.
(vii) Boots, ankle, Navy pattern ..	1 Pr.
(vi) Sandals, leather	1 Pr.

Notes

(i) The following items are to be regarded as compulsory kit:—

Tunics, drill, khaki	1 No.
Trousers, drill, khaki	2 Prs.
Shirts, khaki, cellular	2 No.
Boots, ankle, Navy Pattern ..	1 Pr.
Sandals	1 Pr.

(ii) Two for Cooks.

(iii) For Cooks only.

(iv) One for Cooks.

(v) Three if previous draft to Commandos.

(vi) Issued only to men previously drafted to Commandos.

(vii) Not to be issued to National Servicemen. All ranks entered before 1st September, 1959 are to be given shoes, black leather in lieu.

(viii) Tropical clothing issued to U.K. based Commandos will count against any entitlement on next embarkation or draft abroad unless special instructions to the contrary are given. Reference to this note (in addition to the scale of issue) is to be made on Kit History Sheets.

3. Optional Kit

Belts, waist, blue	1 No.
Berets, blue or green as appropriate	1 No.
Blouses, B.D., khaki	1 No.
Blouses, overall, denim	1 No.
Boots, ankle	1 Pr.
Brushes, boot	1 No.
" clothes	1 No.
" shaving	1 No.
(i) Canes, walking out	1 No.
Caps, white	2 No.
Cases, attaché	1 No.
" suit or bags, travelling ..	1 No.
Drawers	4 Prs.

(ii) Gloves, brown, leather	1 Pr.
" knitted, khaki	1 Pr.
Handkerchiefs, white, cotton ..	8 No.
Jersey or pullover, sleeveless ..	1 No.
Pillows	1 No.
Pillow slips	2 No.
Pyjama suits	1 Suit
Raincoats, double-breasted, R.M.	1 No.
Razors	1 No.
Sandals, leather	1 Pr.
Scissors	1 Pr.
Sheets	1 No.
Shirts, khaki, flannel	3 No.
" tropical, cellular, N.P. ..	2 No.
Shoes, black leather or	1 Pr.
" brown canvas, leather soled	
" gymnasium	1 Pr.
Shorts, khaki drill	2 Prs.
Socks, wool, thick, grey or blue ..	4 Prs.
(ii) Sticks, walking, black ebony ..	1 No.
Stockings, wool, thin, khaki	2 Prs.
Ties, worsted, braid, drab	1 No.
(iii) Toilet bag	1 No.
Towels, terry cotton, hand	2 No.
or	
Towels, bath	1 No.
(iv) Trousers, action/working dress ..	2 Prs.
" B.D., khaki	1 Pr.
" khaki, drill, R.M.	3 Prs.
" overall, denim	1 Pr.
" tweed or serge	2 Prs.
Tunics, khaki, drill	2 No.
" serge	2 No.
Vests or singlets, knitted cotton ..	2 No.

Notes

(i) Corporals only.

(ii) Sergeants and above only. Sticks, walking, black ebony are not supplied from Service sources and their value for compensation purposes is to be taken as £1 10s.

(iii) Not supplied from Service sources. Value for compensation purposes to be taken as 1s. 6d.

(iv) May be purchased only by ranks serving afloat.

4. Special Issues

Scale	To whom issued	When issued	Items
A	Physical Training Instructors.	In accordance with Victualing Manual (B.R.93) Appendix 62 (iv).	
B	Wardroom Attendants (or Officers' Attendants in 3 Commando Brigade).	On first appointment.	1 Pr. trousers, blue serge 3 No. tunics, stewards 3 Prs. gloves, white, cotton, marked
C	All Ranks (except Musicians and Buglers) drafted to H.M. Ships.	On drafting.	†1 helmet WP †1 ball ornament GM †1 front plate GM †1 chain, chin, GM
D	Other Ranks drafted for service in Commando Units.	(a) On first drafting. (b) On arrival in Unit and subsequently on transfer between Units.	2 Flashers "Royal Marines Commando" 2 R.M. Commando Formation Signs (Dagger) 1 Lanyard, coloured 1 Pr. Garter tabs (not to be issued in U.K.)
E	Musicians and Buglers drafted to a Commando Unit.	On first drafting to a Commando Unit.	1 blouse, battledress khaki 1 Pr. trousers, battledress khaki 1 tie, worsted, braid, drab
F	Butchers.	On selection to qualify.	3 shirts, action/working dress 3 Prs. trousers, action/working dress
G	Grooms.	On first appointment.	1 cap, service dress A.P. complete 1 jacket, service dress, A.P. 2 Prs. puttees, ordinary 2 Prs. pantaloons, bedford cord †1 Pr. spurs, jack, ordinary, complete
H	Other Ranks drafted to Landing Craft.	On first drafting to serve as Landing Craft Crew.	1 jersey, seamen's 2 shirts, action/working dress 3 sets of red rank badges (N.C.O.s only)

4. Special Issues—cont.

Scale	To whom issued	When issued	Items
I	Drivers Class I. Armament Artificers. Vehicle Mechanics. Electricians, Vehicle and Plant. Sheet Metal Workers.	On qualification.	Overalls, denim, one piece, 2 No. (See Note (d))
J	R.M. Officers' Attendants employed as Officers' Mess Staffs at R.M. Establishments.	On first appointment.	1 Pr. trousers, blue serge (see Note (e)) 3 Prs. gloves, white cotton, marked.
K	Other ranks drafted to Amphibious Warfare Units.	On joining the complement.	2 Flashes Amphibious Warfare
L	All Ranks.	On completion of training to the appropriate standard (see Section II para. 1(ii)).	1 Beret, green

Notes

(a) Except as provided for in notes (b), (c) and (d) below the articles are issued gratuitously on first appointment or drafting only and are to be maintained by the men concerned, replacements being taken up on repayment.

(b) Articles in Scales A, B, and J are issued gratuitously on first appointment and, except for trousers, blue serge for W.R.A.s and R.M.O.A.s which are issued under the conditions in Note (a), free replacement may be allowed as follows:—

(i) Physical Training Instructors—see B.R.93 (51), Appendix 62(iv).

(ii) W.R.A.s & R.M.O.A.s

1 tunic, stewards
3 prs. gloves, white marked
In an period of 18 months

(c) Articles marked † are issued on personal loan under the general arrangements set out in B.R. 93 (51) Art. 235.

(d) One denim overall suit to be withdrawn on issue of overalls, denim, one-piece.

(e) R.M.O.A.s appointed for the first time to Officers' mess staffs are not to be issued with trousers, blue serge, if they have previously received an issue of mess clothing as a W.R.A.

5. Initial Gratuitous Issues on Promotion, etc.

On promotion to	Articles to be issued	On appointment to	Articles to be issued
Corporal	1 whistle, infantry* 1 thong*	Drum-Major	2 tunics, tartan† 1 tunic, cloth, gold braided, Drum-Major's pattern*.\$
Sergeant	1 sash, worsted	(Bands of H.M. Royal Marines, Portsmouth and Plymouth Groups, Staff and Junior Wing Bands of the Royal Marines School of Music, Deal)	2 prs. trousers, tweed†† (R.M. Band Service)
Sergeant Cook	4 shirts, white, tropical	Bugle-Major	2 tunics, tartan† 1 Dress Cord, Royal, Silk*
Band Sergeant	1 sash, worsted 1 tunic, cloth, gold braided*.\$		
Bandmaster	2 tunics, tartan††		
Staff Bandmaster			
Quartermaster Sergeant			
Regimental Sergeant-Major	1 pr. gloves, brown cape 3 shirts, taffeta, lightweight, or Officers', poplin 6 collars, taffeta, lightweight, or Officers', semi-stiff 1 mackintosh		

Notes

* To be issued on personal loan and withdrawn on discharge.

† To be issued on substantive promotion only.

‡ 2 tunics, serge, to be withdrawn on issue of tunics, tartan.

†† 1 pr. trousers, tweed, and 1 pr. trousers, serge, to be withdrawn on issue of trousers, tweed, R.M. Band Service.

\$ 1 tunic, cloth, yellow braided to be withdrawn on issue of tunic, cloth, gold braided.

6. Equipment

(1) Item	(2) Denomination	(3) R.S.M.s and Q.M.S.s	(4) Other Ranks R.M.	(5) Buglers	(6) Musicians	(7) Officers
Anti-Gas Equipment						
Respirator, A/G, complete	No.	1	1	1	1	1
Ointment, A/G	Tin	1	1	1	1	1
Eyeshields	No.	6	6	6	6	6
Cotton Waste	Ozs.	1	1	1	1	1
Bugle	No.	—	—	1	—	—
Drum, side, complete	No.	—	—	1	—	—
Drum, case for	No.	—	—	1	—	—
Sticks, drum	Prs.	—	—	1	—	—
Helmet, steel	No.	1	1	1	1	1
Web Equipment, Pattern 1937 (White)						
Belts, waist	No.	1	1 (b)	—	—	1
Frogs, bayonet	No.	—	1 (b)	—	—	—

6. Equipment—cont.

(1) Item	(2) Denomination	(3) R.S.M.s and Q.M.S.s	(4) Other Ranks R.M.	(5) Buglers	(6) Musicians	(7) Officers
Lockets, union	No.	—	1	—	—	—
Slings, rifle	No.	—	1	—	—	—
<i>White Buff Equipment</i>						
Apron, leg	No.	—	—	1	1(a)	—
Belt, waist	No.	—	—	1	1	—
Belt, cross band	No.	—	—	—	1(c)	—
Pouch, music, band	No.	—	—	—	1(c)	—
Carriage, drum	No.	—	—	1	1(a)	—
<i>Sword Equipment</i>						
Belt, sword, brown, leather	No.	1(d)	—	—	—	—
Sam Browne equipment (belt, right brace and frog)	Set	1(e)	—	—	—	—

(a) RM School of Music Drummers only.

(b) Recruits under training will hold 1 Black in addition until completion of training.

(c) Band Sergeants and below.

(d) QMS.s, Bandmasters, Staff Bandmasters, Drum Majors, Bugle Majors and Provost Sergeants only.

(e) RSM.s only.

NOTE

(i) All items shown in the scale are to be returned on discharge.

(ii) Helmets, Steel, Anti Gas Equipment and Sheets, Ground are to be returned to store by ranks prior to draft to Commando units.