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## 2927 DRESS REGULATIONS: OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES.

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

#### I.—GENERAL REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO BOTH ROYAL MARINE ARTILLERY AND ROYAL MARINE LIGHT INFANTRY.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Armlets will be of cloth  $2\frac{1}{2}$  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 Brigade Majors and W.T. Officers, will wear an aiguillette (Army pattern) in Review Order.

4. An Officer of the Royal Marine Artillery or Royal Marine Light Infantry who is A.D.C. to the Sovereign wears the same uniform as is prescribed by Army Regulations for an Artillery or Infantry A.D.C. respectively.

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

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

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

Badges of rank to be  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.

6. *Belts, "Sam Browne" Pattern* as prescribed by Army Regulations

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

7. *Boots.*

(a) Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant only Black leather butcher boot Army pattern.

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

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

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

8. Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant will conform as closely as possible to the regimental uniform, with such modifications as are demanded by their status and indicated in these regulations.

## 9. Full Dress Head Dress.

Commandants and second Commandants.—Cooked Hat and Plumes as laid down in Army Regulations.

For other Officers.—*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 1-inch wide.

The head piece let in with zigzag ventilator.

Brown leather chin straps, gilt side hooks.

At top of helmet a gilt collet 1-inch wide to receive ball and base. Gilt ball in a leaf cap on a bright gilt dome base, the diameter of which is 1½ inches full, and the circumference at point of contact with helmet 6 inches. A zinc button, covered with white cloth is worn on all occasions when the ball is not used.

The plate to be a gilt 8-pointed star with dead and bright rays with crown above; on the star to be painted 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.

## 10. Gloves.

(a) For dress occasions.—White kid with two buttons.

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

11. Collars.—White double collars, not to exceed 2 inches or be less than 1½ inches in height, and white shirts to be worn with the blue serge frock. Soft white double collars may be worn on the occasions laid down in the orders of dress, page 2331a.

11a. Tie.—A black silk tie to be worn with the blue serge frock, to be fastened in a "sailor's knot."

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

## 13. Leggings.

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

Other Officers.—Khaki puttees.

14. Spurs.—With Wellington boots mounted Officers will wear steel awl back 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.

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

15. Whistle and Cord.—Whistle: White metal (Army Pattern). Cord: (Army Pattern), the colour being blue for R.M.A., and green for R.M.L.I. When worn, the cord to be looped over the left shoulder, the whistle being carried in the left breast pocket.

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

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

19. Drab Service Dress.—As laid down for Officers of the Army vide Dress Regulations for the Army; Cap and Collar badges as described in paras. 27, 28, 24 and 25, but in bronze (Patterns of badges can be seen at Admiralty Pattern Rooms).

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

## II.—HORSE FURNITURE.

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

Brow bands and rosettes to be red for the R.M.A. and blue for R.M.L.I.

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

Officers in possession of saddlery of the old pattern may continue to use it until worn out.

(a) Paymasters, Barrackmasters, and Quartermasters are to wear the same pattern uniform as other Officers of corresponding rank.

(b) 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.

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

(c) 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.

Decorations, &c., are to be worn with khaki drill under the regulations laid down for Naval Officers with white clothing on page 2300.

(d) 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.

(e) For mourning a band of crape, 2½ inches wide, is to be worn above the left elbow.

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

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### III.—UNIFORM FOR ALL OFFICERS OF ROYAL MARINE ARTILLERY NOT INCLUDED IN I, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

**23. Cap.**—Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant to wear the cap as described below for other officers, but with no scarlet welt round crown and gold embroidered lion and crown badge.

Cap, forage, universal (Army) pattern. Blue cloth with scarlet band and welts, scarlet welt round crown. The gilt buttons to be of the lion and crown pattern. 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 cross guns 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 Crossed Guns in bronze metal.

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

**23. 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, 18 inches for a man 5 feet 9 inches, varying in proportion to height; step collar, depth of opening about 3 inches; two cross-patch breast-pockets above, 4 inches wide and 7 inches deep to top of the flap, box pleat in centre 2 inches wide, three-pointed flap 4 inches wide and 2 inches deep; two expanding pockets below the waist plate at the sides, 9 inches wide at the top and 10 inches 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 inches deep, 10 inches wide. The top of the pocket should be sewn down at the corners in such a manner that on service the pocket can be expanded at the top also; inside watch pocket with leather tab above for chain or strap. Two brass waisthooks, four regimental ball buttons down front, the bottom one just below the bottom edge of belt when worn. Gilt metal letters "R.M.A." on shoulder-straps. Pointed cuffs, 3 inches wide rising to 8 inches at the point; with 2 small buttons on outside seam; shoulder straps of the same material as the frock, fastened with a small regimental button; badges of rank in metal. Collar badge, gilt metal grenade with motto, "Per Mare per Terram," to be worn on the step of the collar. To be lined or not, as required, with lining of similar colour to the frock.

Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant will wear scarlet gorget patches with crimson gimp cord and small buttons. No letters "R.M.A."

**24. Frock Coat**—Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant only.—Blue cloth, double-breasted, with stand-up collar, and round cuffs 3 inches deep. A slash with three points and three small regimental buttons on each sleeve; the slash to be 6 inches long at the forearm seam and 6 inches long at the end points, and to be 2 inches broad at the narrowest parts and 2 inches broad at each of the three points. Two rows of regimental ball buttons down the front, six in each row, 8 inches apart at top and 4 inches apart at the waist. A side edge behind on each skirt half the depth of the skirt, two regimental ball buttons on each side edge and one at each side of the waist. Shoulder-straps to be attached by an underpiece passed through a loop on the lower part of the shoulder, fastened at the top by a small regimental button which passes through both underpiece and strap; the top of the strap is triangular,

the sides being about 1½ inches long and the bottom about ½ inch from the centre point. Badges of rank to be embroidered in gold on the shoulder straps. Collar badges the same as for the tunic. Collar, cuffs, slashes, and shoulder-straps to be of the same material as the coat.

With the frock coat the full dress waist belt is to be worn.

**25. Great Coat**—Drab mixture cloth, milled and waterproofed, double breasted, to reach just below the point of the knees, 18 to 20 inches slit at back, with small saddle flap. Turn down collar 2½ inches deep, with lapel and slip, fastening with an hook and eye; four large buttons on each side, three to button and one under turn; two bottom pockets with flaps, one inside breast pocket at each side; sword slit at left side; loose turnback cuffs, single material, 4 inches deep, shoulder-straps of the same material as the garment, and fastened with small button. Badges of rank and buttons in gilt metal. Gilt letters, "R.M.A." on shoulder straps. The collar is provided with a cloth tab to button across the opening at the throat when required. The coat is lined with drab fannel.

**26. Mess Dress.—Jacket.**—Blue cloth, single breasted jacket; pointed cuffs with two buttons rolled collar, plain blue cloth facings, and one row of four gilt buttons, with lion and crown mounted in gilt. Gilt grenades with motto, "Per Mare per Terram," on lapels. Plain cloth shoulder-straps, no button. Badges of rank on shoulder-strap to be ½ inch.

**Vest**—Blue cloth, plain roll collar; four small gilt buttons with lion and crown mounted in gilt pocket each side.

**White Mess Jacket and Waistcoat.**—Plain drill of same pattern and badges as Cloth Jacket and Vest.

**27. Riding Breeches** (for Mounted duties only).—Blue cloth of present Service Dress pattern, a scarlet stripe ½ inch wide down each side seam.

**28. Sword.**—Half-basket steel hilt, with 2 fluted bars on the outside; black fish-skin grip, bound with silver wire; slightly curved blade 35 inches long and 1½ inches wide, having Corps' device, grooved and spear-pointed.

**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.

**29. Sword Belt—Full Dress.**—Red morocco leather covered with 1½-inch gold lace, with 1-inch slings fitted with buckles and billets without swivels, double oval front, with silver lion and crown mounted on plain snake hook fastening. When the sword is not carried the slings are to be taken off.

**Undress.**—Sam Browne as described in Army Dress Regulations.

**30. Sword Knot—Full Dress.**—Plain red morocco with acorn and sliding keeper of similar material.

**Undress.**—Sam Browne as described in Army Dress Regulations.

**31. Trousers.**—Blue serge or tartan, with a scarlet stripe ½ inch broad down each side seam. Overall, blue cloth with scarlet stripe as above, and black leather foot straps are to be worn when Wellington boots are worn.

32. *Tunic*.—Blue cloth, single-breasted, edged with scarlet cloth piping down the front; scarlet cloth collar, square in front, edged round top with scarlet piping with  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace inside, gold Russia braid on collar seam; an embroidered gold grenade  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches long at each end,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ths of an inch from the inner point of the gold lace, and half way between the top and bottom edges of collar; nine buttons up front; skirts square in front; a two-pointed blue cloth slash on each skirt behind, with 8 large regimental buttons, one at each point and one at the waist seam, and edged with scarlet piping with  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace inside; a narrow edging of scarlet cloth down centre of back skirts, the bottom edge of slashes to reach  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch from bottom of skirt; blue slash with three buttons edged with scarlet piping with  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace inside top of cuff edged with scarlet piping and one row of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace inside.

Shoulder straps for all Officers to be of blue cloth with scarlet piping and  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace inside. Gilt metal badges of rank.

Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant to have 2 rows of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace round cuff, and a row of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold wire lace along the bottom of the collar, instead of the gold Russia braid on collar seam.

33. *Khaki Drill Tunic*.—To be made of khaki drill of the same pattern as Blue Serge Frock, para. 23. All badges as on Blue Serge Frock.

## IV.—UNIFORM FOR ALL OFFICERS OF ROYAL MARINE LIGHT INFANTRY NOT INCLUDED IN I., UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

34. *Cap*.—Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant of the same pattern as for R.M.A., *vide* para. 23.

Other Officers, as described in paragraph 23, the cross guns being replaced by a gilt metal bugle. On the Service Dress Cap the badge will be a globe and laurel surmounted by a bugle in bronze metal.

35. *Frock, Serge*.—The same as described in para. 23, except that the buttons, will be of regimental pattern; Letters R.M.L.I. on shoulder straps; collar badges, gilt metal laurel surrounding silver globe; badges of rank in gilt metal. Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant will wear scarlet gorget patches with crimson gimp cord and small buttons. No letters R.M.L.I.

36. *Frock Coat*.—Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant the same pattern and material as described in paragraph 24, but with R.M.L.I. large buttons down the front and at the back, and small buttons on the cuff slash and shoulder straps. Badges of rank and collar badge the same as on Serge Frock.

Full Dress Belt and Sash will be worn with Frock Coat.

37. *Great Coat*.—The same pattern as described in paragraph 25, with R.M.L.I. regimental buttons and letters R.M.L.I. on shoulder straps.

38. *Mess Dress—Jacket*.—Scarlet cloth, blue cloth cuffs and roll collar (no shoulder-straps); cuffs round,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches deep; four small buttons gilt with lion and crown mounted in silver in front, dummy button holes. Corps' badges and badges of rank in gilt metal on each side of roll collar, except the globe, which will be silver. Mouthpiece of bugle to be worn inwards.

*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.

39. *Riding Breeches (for mounted duties only)*.—Blue cloth of present service dress pattern with  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch scarlet welt down each side seam.

40. *Sash*.—Commandants and Second Commandants—As laid down in Dress Regulations for Army, page 26.

All other Officers.—Crimson silk net folded with two pleats the sash  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches at the buckles. Round loose silk twisted ends,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long, round the waist of the tunic or frock coat, the tassels hanging from the left side.

41. *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 toommel with flat part near guard for the thumb, straight blade, grooved and spear-pointed.—Blade, full size— $32\frac{1}{2}$  inches long and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch wide at the shoulder; hilt, total length,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches; grip, total length, 5 inches to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches to suit the size of the hand; Weight, from 11 lb. 11 oz. to 11 lb. 12 oz., without scabbard.

Scabbard.—As described in paragraph 23.

42. *Sword Belt*.—Full Dress.—Plain web waist belt, with leather furniture and brass dees for slings and brass hook for sword. The slings of gold lace,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide, of infantry 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 scarlet tunic when the sword is carried.

*Undress*.—Sam Browne as described in Army Dress Regulations.

43. *Sword Knot*.—Full Dress.—Red morocco strap, with acorn and sliding keeper of same material.

Undress sword knot for use with undress sword belts to be the same as described in paragraph 20. To be worn loose.

44. *Trousers*.—Blue serge or tartan, with a scarlet welt  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch wide down each side seam.

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

45. *Tunic*.—Scarlet cloth, single breasted, edged with white piping down front, with eight buttons up the front at equal distances, skirts closed behind with two back slashes, with three large regimental buttons on each, the slashes and back skirts edged with white piping. Collar of blue cloth, square in front, with a row of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold wire lace along the top and ends inside white edging, and tracing of gold Russia braid along the bottom of the collar. The Corps' badge in metal at  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from each end of the collar, and resting the thickness of the Russia braid from the bottom of the collar. Shoulder-straps of blue cloth with  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace round side edges, gilt metal badges of rank, small button in top loop. Round cuffs of blue cloth  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches deep, with one band of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold wire lace on the top edge of the cuff, edged with white piping along the top. On each cuff a blue cloth slash with three points edged with white piping, with  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace tracing inside except along the forearm seam; the slash to be 6 inches long at the forearm seam and  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches at the end points of the opposite side, 2 inches broad at the narrowest parts and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches at each of the three points. On each slash there are three large regimental buttons at equal intervals.

Colonels Commandant and Second Commandant to have 2 rows of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold lace round cuff, and a row of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gold wire lace along bottom of the collar, instead of the tracing of gold Russia braid.

46. *Khaki Drill Tunic*.—To be made of khaki drill of the same pattern as Blue Serge Frock, para. 23. All badges as on Blue Serge Frock.

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## V.—SECOND LIEUTENANTS.

47. Will wear the uniform prescribed for other Officers of the branch of the Corps to which they belong.

(See page 2346a for particulars as to when the various articles of clothing are to be provided.)

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

Will be dressed similarly to Officers of the branch to which they belong with the following exceptions:—

### R.M.A.

48. *Trousers*.—Overalls will not be worn.

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

50. *Sword Belt, Full Dress*.—Plain red morocco.

51. *Cloth Tunic*.—As described in paragraph 22 but with lace round cuffs to be half the width of that laid down therein.

### R.M.L.I.

52. *Trousers*.—Overalls will not be worn.

53. *Boots*.—Wellington boots will not be worn. Black patent leather Oxford shoes will be worn in lieu.

54. *Sword Belt, Full Dress*.—As described in paragraph 42 with slings of plain red morocco.

55. *Cloth Tunic*.—As described in paragraph 45 but with lace round cuffs to be half the width of that laid down therein.

## VII. SCHOOLMASTERS.

56. *Cap*.—As described in paragraph 22, with gilt metal laurel surrounding silver globe, no crossed guns or bugle.

57. *Serge Frock*.—As described in paragraph 35, with globe and laurel collar badges, no shoulder letters.

58. *Mess Dress*.—

*Jacket*.—As in paragraph 28, but of No. 1 Blue Serge. Globe and laurel collar badges.

*Vest*.—As in paragraph 28, but of No. 1 Blue Serge.

59. *Trousers*.—As in paragraph 44, but overalls will not be worn.

60. *Boots*.—As in paragraph 7, but Wellington boots will not be worn. Black patent leather Oxford shoes will be worn with Mess Dress in lieu.

61. *Tunic*.

62. *Great Coat*.—As described in paragraph 25, no shoulder letters.

## VIII. ROYAL MARINE BAND.

63. *Cap*.—As described in paragraph 22, with welt round crown of same material as cap and scarlet band. Badge, gilt metal laurel wreath surrounding silver globe, and surmounted by gilt metal lyre.

64. *Serge Frock*.—As described in paragraph 25, with "Royal Marine Band" buttons, collar badge, gilt lyre with motto "Per Mare per Terram," on scroll, letters "R.M.B." on shoulder straps.

65. *Mess Dress*.—As described in paragraph 28, with buttons and collar badges as for Serge Frock.

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

66. *Boots*.—As in paragraph 7. Wellington boots will not be worn by Warrant Officers, who will wear black patent leather Oxford shoes with Mess Dress in lieu.

67. *Trousers*.—As in paragraph 44.

Overalls will not be worn by Warrant Officers.

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

69. *Great Coat*.—As described in paragraph 25, but with R.M. Band buttons and letters "R.M.B." on shoulder straps.

70. *Cloth Tunic*.—As described in paragraph 22, 8 gilt R.M. Band buttons up front. Embroidered gold lyre collar badges. Gold lace of Naval pattern.

Warrant Officers of same pattern, but with gold lace round cuffs half the width.

71. *Sword Belt, Full Dress*.—Black morocco with two gold lines  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide gold lace, gilt Col buckles.

Warrant Officers, plain black morocco.

72. *Sword Knot, Full Dress*.—As described in paragraph 30 but of black morocco.

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

## MEDALS AND MEDAL RIBBONS.

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

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

*Other ranks*.—Medals are to be worn on Service Dress (blue or khaki), when Review order is ordered. Medals will be worn in the order laid down in K.R. and A.I., Art. 167, suspended from a single bar which is to be attached to the garment immediately above the Medal Ribbons, so as to cover them.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## ORDER OF DRESS, OFFICERS, ROYAL MARINES—*contd.*

Dresses.	Occasions when to be worn.	Remarks.	
No. 5—Review Order in Hot Climates	Full Dress Head Dress. Tunic, khaki drill. Trousers, khaki drill. Drab Soft Collar. Drab Soft Shirt. Drab Tie. Full Dress Sword Belt and Knot. Sword and Steel Scabbard. Gloves, brown dogskin. Black Boots.	As for No. 1.	Mounted Officers—If mounted Drab Riding Breeches. Black Ankle Boots, Leggings, Spurs.
No. 6—Drill Order in Hot Climates	As for No. 5, but with Sam Browne Belt, no Sword, articles of equipment being added as required. Helmet or Forage Cap as ordered.	As for No. 3.	Trousers or Riding Breeches and Puttees as ordered
No. 7—White Mess Order	White Mess Jacket. White Mess Vest. Blue Cloth Trousers. Black patent leather Oxford Shoes. Black Socks. Shirt, Collar and Tie as in No. 4.	As for No. 4.	—
No. 8—Fighting Order	Head Dress as ordered. Drab Service or Khaki Drill. Tunic as ordered. Drab Riding Breeches, or drill shorts. Puttees. Sam Browne Belt or Web, Equipment as ordered.	Active Service, Training. Landing Parties.	Mounted Officers—Black Leggings, Spurs.

### NOTES.

- 1.—In Review Order Sword Scabbards will not be hooked up, except when carrying the Colours.
- 2.—Tassels of Sash are to be just behind the front sling of Sword Belt.
- 3.—Sam Browne Belt will be worn with one brace over right shoulder, except in No. 3 or No. 8 Dress, when two braces will be worn
- 4.—Spurs will not be worn on board Ship.
- 5.—Officers on General Staff of Corps serving at Admiralty, on staffs of Commander-in-Chief and Admirals ashore and afloat, and Brigade Majors will wear Regimental Uniform. They will wear Armlets (see para. 2, page 2327) when in Undress. In Review Order they will wear Aiguillettes, except Brigade Majors and W.T. Officers.
- 6.—Officers of the Special Reserve will provide themselves with Dress No. 3 and 8 only. For Mess Order, full Evening Dress (Plain Clothes), or Mess Dress will be optional.
- 7.—Letters R.M.A. and R.M.L.I. in gilt metal to be worn on shoulder straps, below badges of rank, on Blue and Khaki Undress and Great Coat.
- 8.—Swords will be worn by all Officers except those holding Temporary Commissions, in accordance with para. 1708 (ii) and (iii) K.R. and O.A.

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

In England and Temperate Climates.

In Hot Climates.

No. of Dress	Dress.	Articles.	Corresponding Seamen's Dress.	Occasions when worn.	No. of Dress.	Articles.	Corresponding Seamen's Dress
1	Review Order.	Full dress head dress, cloth tunic, tweed trousers, waist belt (buff). Staff Sgts., Cr. Sgts. and Sgts. sashes. Great coat. } Rifle. } As Side arms. } ordered. Equipment. }	1	State ceremonies, special inspections, Guards of Honour, Naval and General Courts Martial. Funerals—(a) when at Head Quarters on Sundays; (b) when serving afloat only during Divisions and Church on Sunday on board in harbour. On other occasions when seamen wear No. 1. R.M. wear No. 2.	6	Khaki drill tunic and trousers, remainder as in No. 1. Staff Sgts., Cr. Sgts. and Sgts. sashes.	6
NOTE.—At Church parades side arms will be worn.							
2	Undress Order.	Forage cap, blue serge tunic, tweed trousers, waist belt (buff), Cr. Sgts. and Sgts. sashes.	2	Picquets, Escorts and Orderlies, D.C.M. and Garrison duties with web belts and side arms in place of buff belt. On leave on week-days, Church parade and Sundays at sea and after Church on board in harbour.	6a	As for No. 3, but with khaki drill, forage cap and white cover or helmet as ordered.	7
3	Drill Order.	Forage cap, blue serge tunic, serge trousers, waist belt, two braces, two cartridge carriers, Rifle. Side arms. Puttees if ordered.	3	All ordinary drills and parades ashore and afloat. Guards, afloat, to wear waist-belts and side-arms only.	8	As for No. 3 but with khaki drill. Forage cap with white cover or helmet as ordered.	8
4	Night Clothing.	Cap, blue serge tunic, serge or tweed trousers.	4	Night clothing and wet weather.	—	—	—
5	Fatigue Dress.	Forage cap and white cover, khaki drill suit.	5	Working parties, fatigues, and other duties when better clothing would be spoiled.	—	—	—
9	Overall Dress.	Blue jean combination suit.	9	Coaling, refitting and dirty work afloat, and Artificers in barracks, gunnery on board.	—	—	—
10	Marching Order.	Forage cap, full dress head dress if ordered, blue serge tunic, tweed trousers, khaki puttees (when specially ordered) rifle, side arms, full equipment.	—	Inspections, embarkations, changes of station, guards on shore and as ordered.	10a	As for No. 10 but with khaki drill. Forage cap with white cover or helmet as ordered.	—
11	Fighting Order.	Cap, service dress, helmet or shrapnel helmet as ordered, drab service suit, puttees. Equipments as for No. 10, with or without pack as ordered.	—	Active service, manoeuvres, landing from ships and as ordered.	11a	As for No. 11 with khaki drill in lieu of drab serge. Helmet with khaki cover or as ordered.	—



## NOTES.

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

1a. *Helmets* will be worn on changes of station, embarking, and disembarking. Afloat they will always be worn for guards and divisions when No. 1 dress is ordered, and in all orders of dress if ordered. On service abroad the helmet will take the place of the cap when ordered. The metal ball is to be worn when serving on shore at home. The buckle of leather chin strap is worn on right cheek and the strap is always worn on duty. When serving afloat the metal ball is to be worn on all ceremonial occasions, i.e., when No. 1 or No. 6 Dress is worn. The zinc top is to be worn on all other occasions when the white helmet is worn. The khaki helmet cover is for wear with No. 11A dress. When the helmet is worn, the cap may be packed in the canvas bag, kit bag or pack, or carried in the haversack, as ordered.

3. *Equipment*.—The buff belt (and frog) will be used for all ceremonial occasions and leave. When the buff pouch is worn, it will be in centre of back for ceremonial and drill, and on right side when ammunition is carried.

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

5a. *Gloves* will only be worn on duty in cold weather. Sergeants and above, may have the option of wearing brown leather gloves for walking out. Band Masters 1st and 2nd Class, R.M.B., may also wear such gloves on duty.

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

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

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

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

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

9. *Naval Ploquets or Patrols*.—No. 2, with web belts. Frogs, puttees, etc., when specially ordered.

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

11. *Liberty Men*.—Caps will be worn for walking out in temperate climates. No. 2 or No. 6A dress will be worn for leave. The greatcoat may be worn in wet or cold weather. Short canes are to be carried when walking out. Bundles are not to be carried in the streets; when it is necessary to take a few things on shore, the haversack, kit bag or pack may be utilised, or a small neat paper parcel be carried.

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

13. —Postmen are to be properly dressed in No. 2 or 8 dress without belts. It is permissible to wear black oilskins in bad weather.

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