

7. With women officers' Dresses which include a cape or bolero, stars are worn thereon—not on the dress.

**0209. NECK DECORATIONS.** With the ceremonial day coat, and with R.M. tunics and frock-coat with stand collar, the first or only badge is worn with the riband inside the coat or tunic collar, emerging between the hook and eye and the bottom of the collar. If a second badge is worn it is suspended from a small eye stitched inside the coat or tunic, on 3 in. of ribbon emerging between the first and second button on the right-hand side.

2. With a turned-down collar and day tie the first or only riband is worn inside the collar and over the tie, with the badge immediately below the knot of the tie. The second riband, if any, is worn on naval-type uniforms immediately below the first, the lower part of the badge resting on the cross of the lapel of the coat. Chaplains may wear neck decorations in a corresponding manner with the clerical collar. On military type uniforms the second riband emerges  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. below the top button of the jacket, being suspended from a small eye stitched inside.

3. With a winged collar and bow tie (only to be worn in the evening) one neck decoration only may be worn and the riband is worn outside the collar but under the tie, the badge hanging as close as possible below the bow.

4. With the white tunic the first or only badge is worn with the riband inside the tunic collar and the badge emerging to hang  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. below the collar, and other badges, if any, are worn emerging between the buttons of the tunic, each 1 in. below the badge above.

5. With the W.R.N.S. white dress the first or only badge is worn with the riband under the fold of the collar of the dress, and the second riband, if any, emerges below the top button.

6. With women officers' dresses which include a cape or bolero the riband is made up into a bow and worn with the badge attached below it on the left side of the cape or bolero, immediately below the medals, which should be moved up as necessary to provide room. When two badges are worn the senior badge is placed above and overlapping the junior. If a star is worn additionally (e.g. by a Dame Commander of an Order) it is positioned below the other decorations.

**0210. MEDALS** (*including badges of the 4th and 5th Classes of Orders and decorations worn as medals*). Medals, suspended from their ribands, are to be worn on the left breast in one horizontal line, with the highest in seniority at the end furthest from the shoulder. Medals awarded by a Society for bravery in saving human life, if specially authorised to be worn, are to be worn on the right breast, similarly to those on the left and on the same horizontal line. All medals are worn obverse outwards, i.e. with the head of the Sovereign showing.

2. The ribands are to be suspended from a bar, which they must completely cover, without gaps. The bar should be disposed centrally in the space available, without projecting outward beyond the shoulder or inward beyond the opening of the coat, or beyond the centre of a tunic or coat without opening. When the medals are too many to be suspended from the bar so as to be fully seen, they are to overlap, the most senior showing in full. In the case of ratings and ranks below officer, medals should, however, overlap whenever three or more are worn, the length of the bar to be  $3\frac{3}{4}$  in. for three medals up to a maximum of  $6\frac{1}{4}$  in. for larger numbers.

3. The bar should be of the brooch type, with the pin inserted through beackets sewn to the garment. It may, if necessary come over the lapel of the garment, except when a rifle is carried, when the bar should be under the lapel, as a protection for the medals.

4. The medal bar is worn immediately above the top row of medal ribbons sewn to the garment, or in the same position, and using the same beackets, as the top row of detachable ribbons (*see* Art. 0212.5).

5. The length of medal riband for medals of normal size is to be  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. When two or more medals are worn, the length of ribands of medals of other than normal size should be adjusted so that the lowest points of the medals are all in line. A  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. medal riband will accommodate four clasps: if more than four are worn the length of riband should be adjusted as necessary, leaving  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. clear riband above the top clasp.

6. When medals are worn with garments on which medal ribbons are sewn, care must be taken that the ribbons are completely covered. If necessary a piece of material can be attached to the medal bar for this purpose.

7. Medals are to be worn loose, unless they are in such a number as to necessitate overlapping, in which case officers may, at their option, wear them in the Court method. In this method the ribbons are mounted on a frame of which the lower edge is in line with the centre of the medals. Commencing from the lower edge of the frame each riband runs over the upper edge and down to the ring of the medal. The medals are stitched down to the ribands. The Court method is only for use by officers, but in other cases ribands, when numerous, may be stitched together low down, as a precaution against undue movement.

8. Badges of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Classes of Orders are *not* worn as medals (other than miniatures—see Art. 0211).

**0211. MINIATURE MEDALS**, half the size of the insignia which they represent and on ribands  $1\frac{1}{8}$  in. long, are worn in the same manner as full-sized medals.

2. With some exceptions, as shown in Appendix 1, miniatures of *all* badges of Orders and decorations are worn with miniature medals.

3. Except as in 4., miniature medals are worn only with Mess Dresses, on the lapel of the mess jacket or on woman officer's mess dress bolero or cape. They may extend over the lapel towards the shoulder but not beyond the lapel on the inner side. The position on R.M. Officers' mess jackets is: Colonels and above, 4 in. below the neck point of the shoulder seam; other officers  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. below the Globe and Laurel badge. On W.R.N.S. Officers' boleros they are worn  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. below the rank badge. On Q.A.R.N.N.S. Officers' capes the bar should be level with the top of the rank badge.

4. Drum Majors in complement billets wear miniature medals on the Drum Major's sash with ceremonial blue dress.

**0212. MEDAL RIBBONS.** When ribbons are worn apart from the Orders, decorations and medals themselves a ribbon is worn for each medal, etc. except the Garter, Thistle and St. Patrick. The ribbon is the same for all Classes of an Order. The ribbon is to be worn from the date of the official notification of the award.

2. Length of ribbons to be worn: R.N., W.R.N.S. and Q.A.R.N.N.S. personnel— $\frac{1}{2}$  in., but with more than five rows ribbons  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. long may be worn. Royal Marines— $\frac{3}{8}$  in. in all cases.

3. The width of the ribbon is to be that of the riband attached to the Order, decoration or medal itself. For Orders, the width is that of the riband of the lowest Class. The normal width in each case is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in.

4. The ribbons are to be sewn on to the garments, ~~except on whites and tropical khaki~~, for which a detachable, brooch-type bar similar to the medal bar is to be used, with the pin inserted through beackets sewn in the correct positions. The ribbons are to be arranged in one or more rows as required, without either gaps or overlapping, in order of seniority as for medals, starting at the inside end of the top or only row. The rows should be  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. apart for officers and Royal Marines and  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. for others, but officers and Royal Marines may reduce the distance apart if necessary to accommodate a large number. The ribbons of Orders, decorations and medals for which only private permission to wear has been given are not to be sewn on to garments.

5. The ribbons are to be worn on the breast, as for medals, positioned as follows:

a. *R.N., W.R.N.S. and Q.A.R.N.N.S. Officers*—Top or only row 1 in. below point of shoulder. When additional rows are sewn to the garment the number of ribbons in each row should be such that all are visible, while preserving as symmetrical an arrangement as possible. The detachable bar may also have more than one row if necessary, in which case no row should be longer than the one above.

b. *Royal Marines*—First row centrally over the breast pocket,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above the top seam of the pocket. Additional rows centrally over the first, with no row shorter than the one above. Not more

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
	<b>BAND OFFICERS</b> White helmet Full Dress cloth tunic Blue trousers Boots (officer pattern) Waist sash Full Dress sword belt and knot Sword with steel scabbard White wash-leather gloves  <b>OTHER OFFICERS</b> Cap Blue R.M. tunic Blue trousers Boots (officer pattern) Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard Blue lanyard Brown cape gloves White shirt and collar and black tie.		

## Orders, Decorations and Medals (all officers)

	Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders Up to 2 neck decorations Medals		
No. 2 BALL DRESS	Scarlet mess jacket Blue mess waistcoat Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie <b>MAJORS AND ABOVE</b> Overalls Wellington boots and spurs <b>OTHER OFFICERS</b> Blue trousers Black shoes Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders One neck decoration Miniature medals	Official or public balls, dinners and evening receptions of a formal nature.	<i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs.  <i>b.</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.

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 4 BLUE DRESS	Cap Blue R.M. tunic Blue trousers Boots (officer pattern) Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard. Blue lanyard Brown cape gloves White shirt and collar and black tie Up to 2 stars of Orders One neck decoration Medals	Inspections by senior officers. Investitures Funerals (unless regarded as state occasions). Memorial services Courts martial Social occasions in uniform. Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 5 or No. 8 Dress is not sufficient. Joint Services functions and launchings when R.N. Officers wear No. 5 Dress. Formal calls on H.M. Ships.	a. Blue cloth belt and shoes to be worn when this dress is worn for social occasions b. Swords and stars, decorations and medals may be omitted when ordered, and are not to be worn for Investitures. c. R.M. Band Officers to wear blue cloth cape on parade with bands on appropriate occasions.
No. 5 LOVAT DRESS	Beret Lovat tunic Lovat trousers Sam Browne belt Sword or Cane as ordered. Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units Khaki shirt, collar and tie Medal ribbons	Ordinary occasions of duty and ceremony ashore and afloat when No. 8 Dress is not sufficient. Informal visits to H.M. Ships Courts Martial on appropriate occasions when ordered by Group Commanders. Swords and medals are to be worn.	a. Band officers to wear the cap on appropriate occasions with bands. b. A lovat forage cap may be worn by Colonels and above on appropriate occasions c. Shoes may be worn instead of boots when not on parade with troops. d. On appropriate occasions cap may be worn in place of beret, when ordered by Commanding Officers.
No. 6 MESS DRESS	As for No. 2 Ball Dress, except that Broad ribbands, Stars of Orders and Neck decorations are not worn.	Mess dinners and evening dances and entertainments, unless No. 2 Dress is ordered.	a. Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs. b. The civilian equivalent is evening dress without decorations.
No. 7 MESS UNDRESS	Scarlet mess jacket Blue mess waistcoat Blue trousers Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie Black shoes Miniature medals	Ordinary evening wear ashore and afloat.	a. Soft evening shirt and collar may be worn as an alternative to stiff on appropriate occasions. b. The civilian equivalent is dinner jacket (without decorations).

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 8 LOVAT UNDRESS	Beret Lovat tunic Lovat trousers Cane Black shoes Cloth belt Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units Khaki shirt, collar and tie Medal ribbons	Routine duties and training when not on parade with troops.	<p><i>a.</i> A lovat forage cap may be worn by Colonels and above on appropriate occasions.</p> <p><i>b.</i> On appropriate occasions cap may be worn in place of beret, when ordered by Commanding Officers.</p>
No. 11 COMBAT DRESS	Beret Combat smock Combat trousers Short Khaki Puttees Composition-soled boots Blue lanyard, with whistle Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units.	For operations and on appropriate occasions of instruction or military training in temperate climates.	<p><i>a.</i> Steel helmet or hood worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Associated items of combat clothing and web equipment worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Army pattern boots may be ordered as an alternative to composition-soled.</p>
No. 13 LOVAT SHIRT SLEEVE ORDER	Beret Khaki shirt Lovat trousers Cane Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units. Corps Pattern Belt	Routine duties during warm weather in place of Nos. 5 and 8 Dresses.	<p><i>a.</i> White web belt to be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Collar to be worn open and sleeves rolled up when on duty with troops.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Khaki tie and black shoes may be worn when not on duty with troops.</p> <p><i>d.</i> In normal circumstances, when it is necessary for any officer to leave the camp or barracks in shirt sleeve order he will wear a tie and roll down his sleeves, but at Senior Officer's discretion, tie may be omitted and sleeves rolled up.</p>

## In Hot Climates

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 1W FULL DRESS KHAKI DRILL	Cap Khaki drill tunic Khaki drill trousers Sam Browne belt Sword with leather scabbard Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Khaki shirt, collar and tie Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders Up to 3 neck decorations Medals	As for No. 1 Dress	White helmet worn when ordered.
No. 2W WHITE BALL DRESS	White mess jacket White mess waistcoat Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie MAJORS AND ABOVE Overalls Wellington boots and spurs OTHER OFFICERS Blue trousers Black shoes Broad riband Up to 4 stars of Orders One neck decoration Miniature medals	As for No. 2 Dress	<p><i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs.</p> <p><i>b.</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.</p>
No. 4W KHAKI DRILL	As for No. 1W, Full Dress, except that the Orders and Decorations are limited to: Up to 2 stars of Orders One neck decoration Medals	As for No. 4 Dress	<p><i>a.</i> Swords and stars, decorations and medals may be omitted when ordered, and are not to be worn for Investitures.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Black shoes may be worn instead of boots when this Dress is worn for social occasions.</p>

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 5 KHAKI DRILL UNDRESS	Cap Khaki drill tunic Khaki drill trousers Sam Browne belt Sword or Cane as ordered Boots (officer pattern) Blue lanyard Khaki shirt, collar and tie Medal ribbons	As for No. 5 Dress	<p><i>a.</i> Medals may be ordered to be worn instead of medal ribbons.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Black shoes may be worn in place of boots when not on parade or wearing a sword.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Khaki bush jacket may be worn as an alternative to the tunic by Lieutenant-Colonels and above.</p>
No. 6W WHITE MESS DRESS	As for No. 2W, White Ball Dress, except that Broad Riband, Stars of Orders and Neck decorations are not worn.	As for No. 6 Dress	<p><i>a.</i> Adjutants may wear overalls, wellington boots and spurs.</p> <p><i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is evening dress without decorations.</p>
No. 7W WHITE MESS UNDRESS	White mess jacket Scarlet kamarband Blue trousers Stiff-fronted evening shirt Winged collar Black evening tie Black shoes Miniature medals	As for No. 7 Dress	<p><i>a.</i> Soft evening shirt and collar may be worn as an alternative to stiff on appropriate occasions.</p> <p><i>b.</i> The civilian equivalent is dinner jacket (without decorations).</p>
No. 8W AND No. 9W TROPICAL DRESS	Cap Khaki shirt Khaki shorts Cane Khaki stockings Sam Browne belt Short khaki puttees Boots Blue lanyard Coloured lanyard (in addition) and Coloured garter tabs for officers of Commando units.	Routine duties ashore and afloat in hot climates.	<p><i>a.</i> Beret may be worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Corps pattern belt may be worn in place of Sam Browne belt at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Officer or army pattern or composition-soled boots as ordered. Black shoes or sandals may be worn when ordered in place of boots and puttees, except when on parade with troops.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Khaki bush jacket may be worn as an alternative to the shirt by Lieutenant-Colonels and above.</p>

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 10W TROPICAL MESS UNDRESS	White tropical shirt Blue trousers Scarlet kamarband Black shoes	Optional Dress for informal evening wear in hot climates at the discretion of the Senior Officer.	
No. 11W TROPICAL COMBAT DRESS	Beret Khaki shirt Denim trousers Boots Web belt Short khaki puttees Blue lanyard and whistle Coloured lanyard (in addition) for officers of Commando units.	For operations and on appropriate occasions of instruction or military training in hot climates.	<p>a. Denison smock and/or jersey pullover may be worn as ordered.</p> <p>b. Army pattern or composition-soled boots as ordered.</p> <p>c. Additional equipment to be worn as ordered.</p> <p>d. Corps Pattern Belt may be worn as ordered.</p>

**0502. DRESS WHEN SERVING WITH R.N. OR OTHER SERVICES.** Royal Marines Officers will conform when possible to the number of the Dress ordered for the Royal Navy. When serving with other Services they are to wear the nearest appropriate Dress.

**0503. ACTION/WORKING DRESS.** R.M. Young Officers under training in the Dartmouth Squadron and R.M. Officers serving in the Amphibious Warfare Squadron or associated with landing craft in Commando ships may wear blue action/working dress shirts and trousers on appropriate occasions. These items will be provided on a loan basis when required, either by the Infantry Training Centre, R.M., or from ships' stocks. The scale is not to exceed two sets per entitled officer.

**0504. KHAKI GABARDINE SERVICE DRESS,** in the form specially prescribed for this purpose, is provided as a summer working uniform for certain officers appointed for service in the United States of America and Canada, in accordance with the instructions in the *Victualling Manual*. It is not to be worn in other circumstances.

**0505. SWORDS.** Officers not in possession of sword and scabbard are not required to provide them at present.

#### ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF UNIFORM WHICH MAY BE WORN

**0506. GREATCOAT AND R.M. RAINCOAT.** To be worn as ordered or appropriate. Lieutenant-Colonels and above may wear British warm instead of greatcoat with Lovat Dress on appropriate occasions.

**0507. GLOVES.** Brown cape gloves are to be worn as follows (except where white gloves are specified in the Dress Table):

- In U.K. always with swords.
- In U.K. from 1st October to 30th April, in all orders of ceremonial and drill. Gloves may be worn in working dress as required.
- On foreign stations in accordance with local orders.



**0508. AIGUILLETES.** Naval type aiguillettes are to be worn by the following Royal Marines Officers in the same manner as prescribed for Naval Officers (Art. 0309) and with equivalent dresses:

*a.* 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.

*b.* Aides-de-Camp to General Officers, Royal Marines Officers appointed as Flag Lieutenants and Aides-de-Camp to Governors or Lieutenant Governors.

2. Officers at *a.* wear aiguillettes as for Aides-de-Camp to the Queen ('Palace' type) and those at *b.* as for Flag Lieutenants ('Staff' type).

3. Aiguillette shoulder straps are not to be worn by Royal Marines officers. In Mess Dresses, 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.

**0509. ROYAL CYPHERS.** Royal Marines Aides-de-Camp to the Queen and Equerries and Extra Equerries to the Queen are to wear the royal cypher and crown, in one piece, below their badges of rank; letters 'R.M.' are not worn. ~~Equerries to other members of the Royal Family wear~~ the cypher of that member in the same manner. In Mess Dresses Equerries and Extra Equerries wear the royal cypher and crown on shoulder straps of self material.

2. The full-sized badge, in either dull silver metal or gilt metal, is worn as follows:

On full dress tunic, blue serge tunic, Atholl grey greatcoat, scarlet mess jacket and white mess jacket—dull silver.

On lovat tunic, khaki tunic, bush jacket, khaki shirt (in Tropical Dress), khaki greatcoat and British warm—gilt.

3. Ex-Aides-de-Camp to the Queen wear the badge similarly but in miniature. Aides-de-Camp to the Queen who vacate the appointment on promotion to the substantive rank of Major General are, however, to cease wearing the badge.

**0510. ADJUTANTS' DRESS.** Officers appointed as Adjutants at R.M. Barracks, Eastney; Depot, Royal Marines and the Infantry Training Centre are to wear breeches, field boots and spurs with Blue and Lovat Dress on appropriate occasions.

**0511. BOAT CLOAK** may be worn optionally with all orders of evening dress.

**0512.-0514.**

## DETAILS OF UNIFORM

**0515. GENERAL OFFICERS.** Articles of uniform for General Officers are of Corps pattern with the following modifications:

*a. Greatcoat.* Army pattern, Atholl grey. In Lovat Dress either a British warm or Corps pattern greatcoat may be worn.

*b. Tunic.* In No. 1 Full Dress (Ceremonial) a blue tunic with stand-up collar (Army pattern No. 1) is worn. The accessories for wear with this Dress comprise gold shoulder cords with silver-embroidered rank badges, crimson and gold waist sash, dress sword with metal scabbard, crimson and gold sword knot, gold sword slings, plain white wash leather gloves. All buttons  $\frac{3}{4}$  in.

*c. Badges and Buttons.* The same cap/beret badges and badges of rank as prescribed for Army General Officers. Letters 'R.M.' not worn. Except where otherwise stated, Corps buttons are worn.

*d. Gorget Patches.* Scarlet patches with gold oak leaf embroidery and small General Officer's button are worn with all orders of dress other than Combat Dress and Mess Dress as follows:

(i) Blue, lovat and khaki drill tunics—Patches to be  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. long and  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in. wide, triangular at the points and shaped to fit the collar.

- (ii) Bush jackets and shirts—Similar in design to (i), but 2 in. long to the point and 1 in. wide. Worn horizontally on each side of the opening of the collar, point to the rear, the top of the patch being  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. from the top of the collar.

*e. Caps*

- (i) White-plastic-topped, Corps pattern, but with gold-embroidered oak leaves all round the peak.

- (ii) Lovat forage cap—pattern as sealed. Similar in design to the Army khaki forage cap but made from lovat material. To be provided as an optional item and worn on appropriate occasions in lovat uniform in place of the beret.

*f. Scarlet Mess Jacket.* Fitted with blue cloth shoulder straps edged with  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. oak-leaf pattern gold lace and fastened at point with small General Officer's button. Silver-embroidered rank badges on shoulder straps. Corps insignia (Art. 0528) on each lapel.

*g. White Mess Jacket.* Fitted with white drill shoulder straps fastened at point with small General Officer's button. Anodised rank badges on shoulder straps. Corps insignia as *f*.

*h. Blue Trousers and Overalls.* Scarlet cloth stripe  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide in place of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. welt.

**0516. BRIGADIERS AND COLONELS.** Articles of uniform for Brigadiers and Colonels are of Corps pattern with the following modifications:

*a. Greatcoat.* As for General Officers.

*b. Badges and Buttons.* The same cap/beret badges and badges of rank as prescribed for Army Brigadiers and Colonels. Letters 'R.M.' not worn. Except where otherwise stated, Corps buttons are worn.

*c. Gorget Patches.* As for General Officers, except that crimson gimp cord is used instead of gold oak-leaf embroidery and 'E.II R. with Garter Emblem' buttons instead of General Officers' buttons.

*d. Caps*

- (i) White-plastic-topped, Corps pattern, but with gold embroidered oak leaves round the front of the peak.

- (ii) Lovat forage cap—As for General Officers.

*e. Mess Jacket.* As for General Officers, except that shoulder straps are edged with  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. staff pattern gold lace and fastened at the points with small E. II R. with Garter Emblem buttons.

*f. Tropical Mess Jacket.* As for General Officers, but with E. II R. with Garter Emblem buttons for shoulder straps.

*g. Blue Trousers and Overalls.* Scarlet cloth stripe  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. wide in place of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. welt.

**0517. COLONELS COMMANDANT AND HONORARY COLONELS.**

*a. Colonels Commandant.* On special occasions Colonels Commandant of the Royal Marines may wear the uniform of their rank on retirement or the approved alternative, which is General Officers' uniform with Colonels' Badges of Rank.

*b. Honorary Colonels RMR.* On special occasions Honorary Colonels of the RMR may wear the uniform of their rank on retirement or the approved alternative which is Corps Uniform (i.e., uniform worn by Lieutenant Colonels R.M. and below) with Colonels' Badges of Rank.

**0518. BAND OFFICERS.** Articles of uniform for officers of the R.M. Band Service are of Corps pattern with the following modifications:

*a. Blue Trousers and Overalls.* Scarlet cloth stripe  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. wide in place of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. welt.

*b. Helmet Badge.* Officers of Group Bands wear the same special insignia on helmet badges (only) as Other Ranks of these bands (Art. 0629.2. and 3.).

*c. Cape.* A blue cloth Admiralty Constabulary pattern cape, modified by fitting a turndown collar trimmed with gold lace, gilded metal lion head and chain neck fastening and scarlet lining, is provided for wear on appropriate occasions as shown in the Dress Table.

*d. Full Dress.* The following are worn with No. 1 Full Dress as appropriate (see Dress Table):  
*either:*

- (i) Blue cloth tunic with stand-up collar (pre-War full dress pattern). The accessories for wear with this Dress comprise gold shoulder cords with silver-embroidered rank badges, crimson waist sash, dress sword with metal scabbard, gold sword knot and sword slings, plain white wash leather gloves; *or*
  - (ii) Blue frock coat with stand-up collar, and crimson sash.
- e. Royal Yacht.* White drill uniform is worn by Band officers in the Royal Yacht on appropriate occasions as for other Band ranks (Art. 0609).

**0519. OTHER OFFICERS.** Brief descriptions of uniform items are given below. For those marked ¶ more detailed descriptions are in Appendix 3. Items marked † are available from Service sources.

## 0520. DESCRIPTIONS OF UNIFORM ITEMS

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2. **Boat Cloak.** Blue cloth, lined crimson. To button four. Lion head fastening and chain at neck. Two pockets inside. Collar 2 in. stand, 3½ in. fall. To be of a length to reach 2 in. above the knee.

### 3. Boots

- a. Black Leather Ankle Boots.* Laced. Plain toe-cap. Leather soled.
- b. Wellington Boots,* without toe-caps or straps, to be worn as ordered.
- c. Field Boots* for Adjutants to be black leather, Army pattern.

4. **Breeches** for Adjutants. Sand-coloured parade pantaloons. Bedford cord, with yellow buckskin strappings. Cut for walking. No pockets. Lapped side seams with two buttons at bottom of seam.

5. **British Warm.** Army pattern. Cloth coat. Light khaki colour. Double-breasted. Leather buttons, to button three. Length to knee. Vent at back. Shoulder straps.

6. **Bush Jacket.** Khaki drill. Single breasted. To button four. Open at neck, with polo collar. Four pockets with flaps. Vent at bottom of each side seam. Long sleeves to button at cuff, or may be rolled up, or short sleeves to elbow, at option of wearer. Shoulder straps.

7. **Cane.** Malacca cane covered with dark brown leather stitched along the length and turned into rounded ends. Overall length 24 in. Overall thickness ¾ in.

¶8. **Cap.** † Peaked cap with scarlet band, white plastic top, chin strap. Peak plain, except for Majors and Lieutenant-Colonels, who have gold-embroidered oak leaves round the front of the peak.

### 9. Collars †

- a. With Blue Uniform*—Plain white stiff collar: naval pattern, Style 1.
- b. With Evening Dress*—Stiff, white, wing collar *or* plain *or* marcella soft white evening collar, *or* collar-attached evening shirt, as required.

10. **Gloves.** † Plain brown cape. One or two buttons.

¶11. **Greatcoat.** Army universal pattern (except that the two rows of front buttons are 11 in. apart at the top instead of 8 in.) Cloth. Khaki drab mixture. Double-breasted. To button four. Length 12 in. from the ground. Shoulder straps. Vent and half belt at back.

12. **Kamarband.** † Scarlet silk barathea. 5¼ in. deep at the front centre. Plain. Fastened at the back with two buckles and buckle straps.

13. **Lanyard, Blue.** † Officers' pattern. Braid: rayon on cotton core. Loop and Turk's head knot. Metal hook and sliding ring. Length of lanyard not less than 34 in. To be worn looped over the left shoulder. The running end is to be passed into the left side of the breast pocket and not allowed to hang loosely in a bight. The whistle is worn on the lanyard.

14. **R. M. Raincoat.**† Single-breasted coat of a wool/nylon foam-backed material in lovat shade, fitted with belt and shoulder straps. Detachable rank badges are worn on slip-on sleeves fitted over the shoulder straps.

#### 15. Mess Jackets

a. *Scarlet Mess Jacket.* Scarlet cloth with blue cloth cuffs  $3\frac{3}{8}$  in. 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.

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

#### 16. Mess Waistcoats

a. *Blue.* Blue cloth. Plain roll collar. Four small gilt metal buttons with mounted Lion and Crown in silver. Pocket each side.

b. *White.*† White drill as for white mess jacket. Same pattern as blue mess waistcoat.

17. **Royal Cyphers.** The royal cypher, surmounted by a crown, in dull silver metal or gilt metal as required. Dimensions (overall): Full size  $1\frac{3}{10}$  in. high,  $1\frac{3}{10}$  in. wide; Miniature  $\frac{4}{5}$  in. high,  $\frac{18}{20}$  in. wide.

#### 18. Shirts†

a. *With Blue Uniform.* Plain, soft-fronted white shirt with double or stiff cuffs.

b. *With Lovat and Khaki Uniform.* Khaki cotton twill shirt with attached collar. (The same pattern as for Other Ranks.)

c. *With Evening Dresses.* Either:

(i) Stiff-fronted evening shirt with two visible stud 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 the Dress Table.

(iii) The white tropical shirt worn in No. 10W Dress is to be of naval officers' pattern but with shoulder straps, secured by small anodised Corps buttons.

#### 19. Shoes

a. *Black Leather Shoes.* Laced. Plain toe-cap.†

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

#### 20. Socks†

a. *With Blue Uniform and Evening Dresses.* Plain black socks.

b. *With Lovat and Khaki Uniform.* Plain khaki socks.

#### 21. Spurs

a. *With Overalls and Wellington Boots.* Box type ceremonial.

b. *With Field Boots (Adjutants).* Light hunting army pattern with black strap and shield.

22. **Sword.** Hilt: steel, half basket, pierced with scroll design and royal cypher and crown chased; black fish-skin grip, bound with three strands of silver wire, back chequered to pommel, with flat part near guard for the thumb. Straight blade, grooved and spear pointed. Blade, full size:  $32\frac{1}{2}$  in. long, 1 in. wide at the shoulder. Hilt: total length  $5\frac{3}{4}$  in. to  $5\frac{7}{8}$  in. Grip: total length, 5 in. to  $5\frac{3}{4}$  in. to suit size of hand. Weight approximately 2 lb. 2 oz. without scabbard. Leather scabbard of army pattern.

23. **Sword belt, Brace, Frog and Knot.**† Sam Browne army pattern. Brown leather with brass fittings. Field and mounted officers to wear the sword knot long, other officers 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.

**24. Ties**

- a. With Blue Uniform.* Plain black, naval pattern (Art. 0428.36).†
- b. With Lovat and Khaki Uniforms.* Light khaki braided.
- c. With Evening Dresses.* Plain black double-ended bow tie.†

**25. Trousers**

- ¶*a. Blue.* Serge.  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. wide scarlet welt down each side seam. Plain bottoms.
- b. Dress overall trousers.* As *a.*, but shaped to the leg, with band under foot.
- ¶*c. Lovat.* Solid wool worsted serge. For wear with or without braces. Bottoms plain but shaped.
- d. Khaki drill.*† Vat dyed, mercerised drill. (Same material as for Other Ranks). Cut to the pattern of the blue serge trousers but self-supporting, and without welt.
- e. Khaki gabardine.*† Worsted gabardine. Pleated. Self-supporting, with waistband extension fastening. Bottoms plain but shaped.
- f. Bottom of leg, except for b.* should normally be 17 in. to 19 in. in measurement according to build of wearer.

**26. Tunics**

- ¶*a. Blue.* Single-breasted. To button four. Step collar. Two cross-patch breast pockets and two bellows pockets, all with flaps. Pointed cuffs with two small uniform buttons on outside seam. Military skirt with vent. Shoulder straps. Detachable cloth belt, 2 in. wide, with anodised buckle.
- b. Lovat.* As *a.*, but in solid worsted serge. Belt of same material, with bronze buckle.
- c. Khaki drill.*† As *a.*, but in vat-dyed, mercerised drill (as trousers), without cuff buttons and without any belt. Buttonholes and eyelets worked for buttons and badges, all detachable. Detachable waist-hooks supported by straps.
- d. Khaki gabardine.*† As *a.*, but in khaki worsted gabardine. Belt of same material, with gilt metal buckle. Detachable waisthooks supported by straps. Buttonholes and eyelets worked for buttons and badges, all detachable.

27. The following items are of the same pattern as for R.M. Other Ranks, and are described in Art. 0625:

Anklets, web	Denim overalls	Lanyards, coloured
Belts, web and Corps pattern	Combat clothing	Puttees
Beret	Garment tabs, coloured	Shorts, khaki
Boots, leather soled (army pattern) and composition soled.	Helmet, white Wolseley	Stockings, khaki
	Jersey pullover	Whistle (but not thong)

28. The following items are of naval pattern:

- Aiguillettes (Art. 0317.1.)
- Sandals (Art. 0428.27.).
- Trunk, steel (Art. 0317.33.).

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## BADGES AND BUTTONS

**0525. CAP/BERET BADGE.** The Corps badge is in two parts: a globe in a laurel wreath and a lion on a crown: the globe in silver, remainder anodised. The beret badge worn with Combat Dress (only) is similar but in bronze. The manner of wearing on cap and beret is as shown in Art. 0628.3.

2. The Corps badge is worn by all officers below Colonel. The Army pattern badge is worn by Colonels and Brigadiers (lion and crown) and General Officers (crossed sword and baton in wreath surmounted by a crown).

**0526. HELMET PLATE.** Officers' pattern. Gilding metal eight-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 garter 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' badge may be worn.

**0527. COLLAR BADGE.** Silver globe in anodised laurel wreath or the same badge in bronze. Worn centrally on the step of the collar of blue, lovat and khaki tunics. Worn in miniature on each lapel of the mess jacket, both scarlet and white, with the centre of the badge  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in. below the neck point of the shoulder seam, by officers below the rank of Colonel.

**0528. CORPS INSIGNIA.** The Corps Badge (Globe, Laurel, Lion and Crown), embroidered in gold, is worn by Colonels and above on each lapel of the mess jacket, both scarlet and white, with the centre of the globe 9 in. below the neck point of the shoulder seam.

**0529. LETTERS 'R.M.'** Block letters. Size  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Worn in the centre of the shoulder straps below badges of rank and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. above the shoulder seam. Not worn on mess jackets, battledress blouses or Band officers' full dress and frock coats or in any dress by Colonels and above.

**0530. BUTTONS**

1. a. *Corps button.* As for other ranks (Art. 0632).

b. *Lion and Crown button.* Raised round button with mounted lion and crown in silver. Worn on caps, mess jackets and mess waistcoats.

c. *E. II R. with Garter Emblem button.* Raised round button with the cypher 'E. II R.' in the Garter emblem. Worn by Colonels and Brigadiers on gorget patches and the shoulder straps of mess jackets.

d. *General Officers' button.* Raised round button with the Royal Coat-of-Arms. Worn by General Officers on gorget patches and the shoulder straps of mess jackets.

2. *Sizes of button.* Tunic and greatcoat foreparts 1 in. Pockets, cuffs and shoulder straps of tunics and greatcoats and forepart of mess jackets  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. Cap, mess waistcoat, gorget patches and shoulder straps of Senior Officers' mess jackets  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.

**0531. RANK BADGES** are worn on shoulder straps, where fitted. On the mess jackets of Officers below Colonel they are worn on both lapels,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above the Corps badge.

The following type of rank badges will be worn in the order of dress shown:

- a. *Bronze:* No. 5 Lovat Dress  
No. 8 Lovat Undress  
No. 13 Lovat Shirt Sleeve Order  
No. 11W Tropical Combat Dress
- b. *Removable Khaki Sleeve* No. 11 Combat Dress  
*with worsted badges* No. 11W Tropical Combat Dress  
*on scarlet background:* (except when in shirt-sleeve order)
- c. *Anodised:* Remaining orders of dress

2. The badges to be worn are: Second Lieutenant—1 star; Lieutenant—2 stars; Captain—3 stars; Major—crown; Lieutenant Colonel—crown and 1 star; Colonel—crown and 2 stars; Brigadier—crown and 3 stars; Major General—crossed sword and baton, star above; Lieutenant General—crossed sword and baton, crown above; General—crossed sword and baton, crown and star above.

3. The devices, as in 2., are Army pattern. The sword and baton device reverses for right and left shoulders, with the point of the sword to the front in each case. The stars, crown and crossed-sword and baton are to be  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. size, except on the mess jackets of officers below Colonel, where they are to be  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. The distance apart of the devices is to be  $\frac{1}{4}$  in.

### 0532. FLYING BADGES.

1. **Naval Pilots' and Observers' badges.** To be worn by entitled Royal Marines officers under the same conditions as naval officers (see Art. 0331). The badges are worn as follows:

On blue, lovat and khaki tunics—The full-sized badge (gold embroidered on blue) is worn in central position  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above the top row of medal ribbons, or if no medal ribbons are worn,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above the left-breast pocket.

On mess jackets—The Observers' badge or miniature Pilots' badge is worn immediately below the Corps badge on the left lapel, miniature medals being lowered accordingly.

2. **Army Pilots' Badge.** To be worn by entitled Royal Marines officers who are qualified as Army Light Aircraft Pilots only. The badge is worn as follows:

On blue, lovat and khaki tunics—Silver embroidered wings with gold lion and crown on navy blue or black background in same position as Naval Pilots' badge.

On mess jackets—Silver embroidered wings with gold lion and crown on red background in same position as Naval Pilots' badge.

On Combat Dress—Light blue wings with gold lion and crown on black background in the same position as on blue, lovat and khaki tunics.

3. R.M. Officers qualified as Light Aircraft Observers do not qualify for and will not wear the Army Observers' badge.

**0533. PARACHUTIST BADGE.** The Army pattern parachutist badge, a parachute with wings, may be worn by officers who are qualified parachutists and are serving or have served in Airborne, Commando or Special Boats units. It is worn on the right arm, 2 in. below the shoulder seam, as follows:

On blue tunics—the full-sized badge in gold on blue.

On lovat tunics—a two-thirds size badge in gold on green.

On mess jackets—the miniature badge (length 2 in., height  $\frac{3}{4}$  in.) gold on scarlet.

On khaki tunics—the full-sized badge in light blue on khaki drill.

**0534. KING'S BADGE.** As for other ranks (Art. 0635.4.). To be worn by entitled officers on all orders of blue, lovat and khaki dress on the left arm, 2 in. below the shoulder seam. A gold-on-scarlet badge may be worn in the same position on the scarlet mess jacket.

**0535. DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S MEDALLION.** As for other ranks (Art. 0635.4.).

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**0536. SHOULDER FLASHES** for battledress. As for other ranks (Art. 0641).

**0537. COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS.** Except where otherwise stated the badges and buttons worn with blue and khaki uniforms, greatcoats and mess Dresses are to be anodised and those worn with lovat and combat Dresses are to be bronze.

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ROYAL MARINES RESERVE

➤ **0541. ROYAL MARINES RESERVE OFFICERS** wear the same uniform as regular R.M. Officers except that:

- a. Until lovat dress is provided, khaki battledress (with medal ribbons) is worn in lieu.
- b. Woven letters 'V.R.' in red on blue are worn immediately below the shoulder flash on the battledress blouse.
- c. Letters 'R.M.R.' are worn instead of 'R.M.'.



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## ORDERS OF DRESS AND OCCASIONS ON WHICH WORN

0601. Table of Dresses. Numbers are assigned to the Dresses for convenience when referring to them.

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 1 CERE- MONIAL BLUE	R.M. OTHER RANKS— JUNIOR MUSICIANS— JUNIOR BUGLERS Cap Blue serge or tartan tunic Tweed trousers Boots White web belt (White buff for Junior Musi- cians and Buglers). White gloves Medals Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only). Dress cords royal (Junior Buglers only). BAND SERVICE AND BUGLERS ON COMPLE- TION OF TRAINING White helmet Blue cloth tunic Tweed trousers Boots White buff belt White gloves Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only) Dress cords royal (Buglers only) Medals	Major ceremonial parades. Occasions of duty and ceremony when No. 2 Dress is not sufficient.	a. Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. b. White helmet to be worn by R.M. Other Ranks, Junior Musicians and Junior Buglers when ordered. c. R.M. Band ranks to wear blue cloth cape when ordered.
No. 2 BLUE DRESS	Cap Serge or tartan tunic Tweed trousers Boots White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only) Dress cords royal (Buglers only) Medals or medal ribbons as ordered.	Ceremonial parades as an alternative to No. 1 Dress. Other formal occasions when especially ordered.	a. Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. When not on parade black shoes may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion. b. R.M. Band ranks to wear blue cloth cape when ordered.

DRRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 3 LOVAT DRESS	Beret Worsted lovat tunic Worsted lovat trousers Khaki shirt and tie White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only) Medal ribbons	Occasions of ceremonial as an alternative to Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses. Sentries and other duty- men. Normal occasions of walking out.  Courts Martial on appro- priate occasions when ordered by Group Commanders. Medals are to be worn.	<p><i>a.</i> The cloth belt may be worn for walking out and at Senior Officer's discretion on appropriate occasions of duty.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn when not on parade at Senior Officer's discretion and are to be worn when walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> On appropriate occasions, cap may be worn in place of beret by formed bodies of men, band ranks, buglers and dutymen, when ordered by Commanding Officers, and for walking out by ranks not entitled to wear a green beret.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p> <p><i>e.</i> Dress cords royal to be worn by Buglers for ceremonial and appropriate occasions of duty, and when ordered, by Junior Buglers for walking out.</p>

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 3A LOVAT SHIRT SLEEVE ORDER →	Beret Khaki shirt Lovat trousers Boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only). Corps Pattern Belt	During hot weather in U.K. and on appro- priate occasions abroad as ordered.	<p><i>a.</i> Collar to be worn open and sleeves rolled up when this dress is worn for drill, by dutymen and for normal work inside barracks or unit lines. In normal circumstances tie to be worn and sleeves rolled down when walking out and from home to duty, but at Senior Officer's discretion tie may be omitted and sleeves rolled up, provided all men are dressed alike.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Lovat worsted or serge trousers may be worn for drill and normal work inside barracks. Lovat worsted trousers to be worn by dutymen and for walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots as ordered. Black shoes to be worn for walking out and may also be worn at Senior Officer's discretion when not on parade or on duties for which boots would be more appropriate.</p> <p><i>d.</i> White web or buff belt may be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>e.</i> On appropriate occasions, cap may be worn instead of beret by formed bodies of men, band ranks, buglers and dutymen, when ordered by Commanding Officers.</p> <p><i>f.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p>

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 4 LOVAT UNDRESS	Beret Lovat serge or worsted tunic. Lovat serge or worsted trousers. Khaki shirt and tie Cloth belt Boots Coloured lanyard (Commando units only) Medal ribbons	On normal occasions of work and drill as an alternative to Nos. 3 and 8 Dresses. As night clothing in H.M. Ships.	<p><i>a.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots to be worn as ordered. Black shoes may be worn when not on parade.</p> <p><i>b.</i> White web or buff belt may be worn in place of the cloth belt for drill.</p> <p><i>c.</i> On appropriate occasions, cap may be worn instead of beret by formed bodies of men, band ranks, buglers and dutymen, when ordered by Commanding Officers.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p>
No. 6 KHAKE DRILL	Cap Khaki drill tunic Khaki drill trousers White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers). Boots Scarlet sash (S.N.C.O.s only) Medals or medal ribbons as ordered.	Abroad in hot weather for ceremonial, walking out and on other occasions when ordered as an alternative to Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses.	<p><i>a.</i> White helmet to be worn in place of cap when ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn when walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> White gloves may be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Buglers to wear dress cords royal for ceremonial and as ordered for other occasions of duty.</p>
No. 7 TROPICAL UNDRESS	Cap Khaki shirt Khaki drill trousers White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Boots Coloured lanyard (Commando units only).	In hot weather as ordered.	<p><i>a.</i> Beret to be worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army or naval pattern boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn for walking out.</p> <p><i>c.</i> In normal circumstances tie to be worn and sleeves rolled down when walking out and from home to duty, but at Senior Officer's discretion tie may be omitted and sleeves rolled up, provided all men are dressed alike.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Scarlet sash to be worn by S.N.C.O.s as appropriate and ordered.</p>

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 8 NAVAL WORKING DRESS	Beret Blue action working dress shirt Blue action working dress trousers Corps Pattern Belt Naval pattern boots	Action stations and working parties afloat in temperate climates.	<p><i>a.</i> Black shoes may be worn as an alternative to boots as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Windproof working jacket to be worn when ordered. (Not for Band or Buglers.)</p>
No. 8A MILITARY WORKING DRESS	Beret Khaki shirt Denim overall trousers Waist belt Short Khaki Puttees Boots	Working parties and fatigues ashore in temperate climates.	<p><i>a.</i> Web or Corps Pattern waist belt may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army pattern or composition-soled boots as ordered.</p> <p><i>c.</i> Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.</p>
No. 9 OVERALL DRESS	Beret Boots Blouse/Jacket Overall Trousers Overall	Refitting and other dirty work afloat. Fatigues and training ashore.	<p><i>a.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots to be worn as ordered. Shoes may be worn at Senior Officer's discretion.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Short khaki puttees and web equipment may be worn as ordered for training.</p>
No. 10 TROPICAL DRILL	Cap Khaki shirt Khaki drill shorts Stockings Short khaki puttees Boots White web belt (White buff for Band and Buglers) Coloured lanyard and Garter tabs (Commando units only).	Routine duties ashore and afloat in hot weather.	<p><i>a.</i> Beret to be worn as ordered.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Army, naval or composition-soled boots as ordered. Black shoes may be worn as an alternative to boots and puttees at Senior Officer's discretion.</p>

DRESS	DESCRIPTION	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR	NOTES
No. 10A NAVAL TROPICAL WORKING DRESS	Beret Blue action working dress shirt. Blue shorts Sandals	In place of No. 8 Dress afloat in hot weather.	Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.
No. 10B MILITARY TROPICAL WORKING DRESS	Beret Khaki shirt Khaki shorts Sandals Corps Pattern Belt	In place of No. 8A in hot weather.	Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.
No. 11 COMBAT DRESS	Beret Combat smock Combat trousers Composition-soled boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only). Short Khaki Puttees	In temperate climates for operations and training in the field.	a. Army pattern boots may be worn as an alter- native to composition- soled boots when ordered. b. Associated items of combat dress and web equipment to be worn as ordered. c. Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered.
No. 12 TROPICAL COMBAT DRESS	Beret Khaki shirt Denim trousers Short khaki puttees Boots Coloured lanyard (Com- mando units only). Web belt	In place of No. 11 Dress in hot weather.	a. Denison smock and/ or jersey pullover may be worn in addition when ordered. b. Other web equipment to be worn as ordered. c. Army pattern or com- position-soled boots to be worn as ordered. d. Army pattern lanyard and clasp knife to be worn when ordered. e. Corps Pattern belt may be worn as ordered.

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## 0602. ASSOCIATED ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT

ITEM	BY WHOM WORN	OCCASIONS FOR WEAR
Sam Browne belt	Regimental Sergeant Major.	Always with Nos. 1, 2 and 6 Dresses. As ordered and appropriate with Nos. 3, 3A, 4, 7 and 10 Dresses.
Infantry sword		Always with No. 1 Dress. As ordered and appropriate with Nos. 2, 3, 3A, 4, 6, 7 and 10 Dresses.
White buff sword belt and staff sergeant's sword with steel scabbard and buff sword knot.	Quartermaster Sergeant, Staff Bandmaster, Bandmaster, Drum Major, Bugle Major, Provost Sergeant.	Staff Bandmaster, Bandmaster, Drum Major and Bugle Major always with No. 1 Dress and on ceremonial occasions with No. 6 Dress.
Brown leather sword belt		Quartermaster Sergeant and Provost Sergeant as available and appropriate with Nos. 1 and 6 Dresses. Always with No. 2 Dress and with No. 6 Dress when the white buff sword belt is not worn.
Staff sergeant's sword with steel scabbard and brown leather sword knot.		Provost Sergeant always with No. 10 Dress. As appropriate and ordered with Nos. 3, 3A, 4, 7 and 10 Dresses.
White web bayonet frog and sidearms.	R.M. Other Ranks of the rank of Colour Sergeant and below.	As available and appropriate on occasions when the brown leather sword belt is worn.
White buff band equipment	R.M. Band Service below Bandmaster.	With the white web belt for ceremonial and drill as ordered and appropriate. On ceremonial occasions with Nos. 1 and 6 Dresses and when ordered with No. 2 Dress.

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## SPECIAL DRESSES

**0604. DESPATCH RIDERS.** Pantaloon M.C.; coat, rubber-proofed, M.C.; boots, M.C.; goggles, M.T.; helmet, D.R.

**0605. PHYSICAL TRAINING INSTRUCTORS' WORKING DRESS.** Serge trousers; elastic belt; gymnasium vest (trimmed with red); sweater; track suit (green); gymnasium shoes.

**0606. COOKS' WORKING DRESS.** As for corresponding naval ratings (Art. 0406), except that S.N.C.O.s are provided with Cook's caps C.P.O./P.O. pattern for wear instead of uniform caps and are not entitled to a loan issue for cookery demonstrations and exhibitions.

**0607. R.M. OFFICERS' ATTENDANTS AND OFFICERS' MESS STAFF: MESS CLOTHING.** White stewards' tunic; blue serge or tweed trousers; white gloves.

**0608. GROOMS' WORKING DRESS.** Pantaloon, bedford cord; puttees, khaki, ordinary; spurs, jack.



**0609. ROYAL YACHT UNIFORM.** Royal Marines other ranks embarked in the Royal Yacht wear the following special dresses:

*a. Working Dress (General service ranks only).* Seamen's jersey with red chevrons or khaki shirt, as ordered, worn with blue serge trousers and gym shoes.

*b. White Uniform.* Made-to-Measure white drill uniform, white gloves and white canvas shoes for wear on appropriate occasions instead of khaki drill.

*c. Blue Uniform.* A blue cloth tunic is issued on personal loan to ranks (other than Band ranks and Buglers who already have one) for wear with tweed trousers and boots, glace, Royal Yacht. R.M. orderlies to the Royal Party are to wear a tartan tunic when required to carry out a period of Royal Duty ashore.

*d. Flashes 'Royal Yacht'.* These are provided for wear on all uniform tunics and on working Dress garments.

2. Full details of the scale of gratuitous and personal loan issues are shown in the Victualling Manual, BR.93.

**0610. FUNCTIONAL CLOTHING** is also provided for men employed on special duties such as swimmer canoeists, sentries, dining hall attendants, etc.

**0611. EVENING DRESS FOR SENIOR N.C.O.s.** A scarlet or white mess jacket may be worn on certain formal occasions on an optional basis by:

*a.* All S.N.C.O.s serving in R.M. Establishments and units.

*b.* Colour Sergeants and above serving in H.M. Ships and R.N. Establishments both home and overseas.

*c.* Sergeants serving in H.M. Ships and R.N. Establishments in tropical areas.

The scarlet or white mess jacket may be worn in temperate climates and white mess jackets in tropical climates. The following will constitute the order of dress:

Scarlet or white mess jacket (see Article 0625.28)

Black bow tie

Soft, white, plain, day shirt or pique-fronted or marcella-front evening shirt with soft collar to match.

No. 1 dress blue trousers

Black socks

Black leather shoes uniform pattern

Scarlet silk kamarband

Miniature globe and laurels on each lapel

Miniature medals on left lapel

Miniature badges of rank, embroidered gold on scarlet on right sleeves, chevrons to be 2 in. wide on scarlet background.

Miniature King's Badge, embroidered gold on scarlet on left sleeve, and Light Aircraft Pilot's badge, silver and gold on scarlet, on left lapel (below Globe and Laurel), for those entitled.

2. The evening tie, shirts, collars, kamarband, and Globe and Laurel Badge to be of the patterns prescribed for R.M. officers.

3. Approval for the wearing of this dress is to be on the same basis as for Chief Petty Officers (see Article 0412.4).

**0612.-0614.**

#### ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF UNIFORM WHICH MAY BE WORN

**0615. JERSEY PULLOVERS** may be added to appropriate orders of dress for operations, training and other duties within unit lines.

**0616. GREATCOATS** may be ordered to be worn as required, including occasions of ceremonial and for dutymen. The web belt or web belt and side arms may be worn outside the greatcoat: the half belt of the greatcoat is then to be unbuttoned and tucked inside. R.M. Band ranks are to wear the buff belt beneath the greatcoat on all occasions: the cross belt and music pouch are, however, to be worn outside for ceremonial.

→ 0617. **WATERPROOF CLOTHING.** R.M. Other Ranks are to wear the R.M. raincoat or groundsheet, R.M. Band ranks and Buglers the R.M. raincoat, groundsheet, waterproof cape or blue Band cape as appropriate.

### 0618. GLOVES

1. **Regimental Sergeant Majors** are to wear brown leather gloves and as a general rule are to follow the same instructions about wearing gloves as officers (Art. 0507).
2. **Quartermaster Sergeants, Bugler Quartermaster Sergeants, Staff Bandmasters, Bandmasters, Drum and Bugle Majors.** White gloves to be worn as specified in the Dress Table. When gloves are ordered on other occasions, these S.N.C.O.s may wear brown leather gloves.
3. **Colour Sergeants and below.** White gloves to be worn as specified in the Dress Table. When gloves are ordered on other occasions khaki woollen are to be worn, except that Sergeants and above may wear brown leather gloves when walking out in uniform.

0619.-0621.

## DETAILS OF UNIFORM

0622. **REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJORS.** Articles of uniform for Regimental Sergeant Majors are of R.M. Other Ranks pattern with the following modifications:

- a. *Blue uniform*—Officers' material and pattern, but with stand-up collar
- b. *Cap and collar badges*—Officers' pattern
- c. *Blue lanyards*—Officers' pattern
- d. *Boots, ankle*—Officers' pattern, i.e. with plain toe-caps.

0623. **R.M. BAND SERVICE AND BUGLERS.** Articles of uniform for Other Ranks of the R.M. Band Service and Buglers are of R.M. Other Ranks pattern with the following modifications:

- a. *Blue trousers*—R.M. Band ranks wear a broad scarlet strip (1½ in.) on tweed trousers, except Junior Musicians who have not completed training at R.M. School of Music, who wear the normal scarlet welt.
- b. *Band cape*—A blue cloth cape, fastening at the neck, is provided for wear by Band ranks with No. 1 Dress on appropriate occasions.
- c. *Ceremonial dress tunics*—A yellow-braided cloth tunic is provided for wear by Band ranks and Buglers with No. 1 Dress on appropriate occasions. For Band Sergeants and above the tunic is gold-braided. Drum Majors in complement billets are issued with a special ceremonial tunic.
- d. *Royal Yacht Band orchestral tunic*—In addition to the present full dress tunic, R.M. Band ranks of the Royal Yacht are provided with the pre-war Divisional Band full dress tunic for wear during orchestral engagements when embarked. These tunics are issued on loan from a small pool held at R.M. Barracks, Eastney.
- e. *White equipment*—Band ranks and Buglers wear white buff equipment, as appropriate, instead of white web equipment.
- f. *Dress cords, royal*—silk for Bugle Majors, worsted for other Buglers—are worn as ordered. The method of wearing is as follows:

The hook at the tassel end is to be secured to a becket sewn underneath the left shoulder strap at the front, as near to the point of the shoulder as practicable. The tassels when secured should lie naturally at the front of the left shoulder. The running end should then be taken across the upper chest over the right shoulder beneath the shoulder strap, the cord between the shoulders lying in a natural curve, being secured to the third button on cloth tunics, second button on serge and khaki drill and the top button on lovat, between the two toggles provided. Securing of the cord is completed by bringing the running end round the back of the right shoulder, under the armpit, and, except for the lovat tunic, securing the eye at the end to the top button of the tunic. On the lovat tunic, the eye is to be secured to a small hook sewn under the right lapel 3½ in. above

the top button. The plait below the eye should curve naturally towards the right armpit. If a drum carriage is worn, the loop across the chest should be underneath and that part of the cord running from the right armpit secured over the top of the carriage.

*g. Wellington boots and overalls* (Officers' pattern) may be worn by Drum Majors on ceremonial parades provided all Drum Majors present are dressed alike.

**0624. R.M. OTHER RANKS GENERALLY.** Brief descriptions of uniform items are given below. All items of compulsory kit are available from Service sources. Uniform items differing from the Service pattern are not to be worn and will not be accepted as part of kit. Copies of the detailed specifications for items of Royal Marines clothing are normally held by all R.M. Units holding clothing accounts.

#### 0625. DESCRIPTIONS OF UNIFORM ITEMS

1. **Bag, Linen, Brown.** Drab drill. Fitted with hem and draw tape. Size: 19½ in. base; 14 in. from crown to base. Used for storage of white helmet or cap.

2. **Belts, Waist, Corps Pattern.** Belts in Corps colours (red, green and gold on blue), width 2¾ in.

3. **Berets.** Blue or green as required. As for naval air ratings (Art. 0428.3.), except that the R.M. blue beret has a scarlet cloth patch, 2½ in. wide, 2 in. deep, rounded at the top, sewn to the beret in a position to coincide with the stiffener. Worn with leather band level round the head, 1 in. above the eyebrows, crown pulled to the right, braid adjuster tied in a knot with ends tucked in. The blue and green berets are worn as follows:

Blue—While under training

Green—(i) On completion of Commando training, or if not required to carry out this training, on reaching an equivalent standard.

(ii) 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 units, whichever is the sooner.

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5. **Boots, Ankle.** Black leather. With toe-cap. Leather-soled (army pattern) or composition-soled as required. Lacing, with six eyelets each side.

6. **Cap** with white top to be worn in all climates all the year round. Peaked cap with scarlet band, white plastic top, chin strap. Plain peak.

7. **Combat Clothing.** Army pattern combat cap, combat smock, combat trousers, hood, etc. as required.

8. **Denim Overall Blouse.** Army pattern. Drab denim material. Shoulder straps. Flap pockets. No uniform buttons.

9. **Garter tabs.** Double tabs of coloured cloth, each 1½ in. wide and 4¼ in. from top to point, on an elastic garter. The two tabs to be slightly offset, with the outside tab in front. To be worn by men on the posted strength of Commando Units as follows:

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

10. **Gloves.** *Brown*—Officers' pattern (Art. 0520.10.). *White*—cotton, knitted, with button. *Khaki*—Army pattern, knitted wool, without buttons.

11. **Greatcoat.** Drab cloth. Double-breasted. To button four, with five buttons and buttonholes on each forepart. Convertible stand collar and lapels. Shoulder straps. Two hip pockets with flaps. Two-piece back with vent and fitted with two half belts across waist with slit at each side seam for belts. Formed cuff on sleeves. Sleeves and upper part of the back of the coat lined.

12. **Helmet.** White, Wolseley pattern, sun helmet, built upon a natural cork foundation, fitted with a detachable headband and a threaded, lacquered, gilding metal ventilator and with gilding metal ball ornament, front plate and chin chain.
13. **Holdall.** Olive drab cambric material. Overall dimensions 23 in. by 9½ in. Divided into seven pockets. Secured with tape.
14. **Jersey, Pullover.** Sleeved jersey with V neck, knitted from olive drab worsted yarn.
15. **Lanyards.** Cotton braid. Length 32/33 in. Loop and Turk's-head knot each end. Plain (army pattern) lanyard for all ranks. Coloured lanyard for men on the posted strength of Commando Units: the colours as for garter tabs (*see* 9. above). Lanyards are worn on the right shoulder, except that when both the plain lanyard and a coloured lanyard are worn the plain lanyard is worn on the left shoulder. Worn in an ordinary loop with the running end passed directly into the side of the pocket without forming a bight.
16. **Mug.** Green. Polypropylene.
17. **Pantaloon.** For grooms. Khaki bedford cord.
18. **Puttees.** Army pattern. Khaki wool/worsted. Ordinary—112 in. long: Short—42 in. long.
19. **Sash.** For S.N.C.O.s. Scarlet worsted, 3½ in. wide. Tassels 9 in. long. Worn over the right shoulder under the shoulder strap, so that it lies naturally and closely across the chest. The sash is to be adjusted so that the ends of the tassels are in line with the bottom of the tunic: this length may be adjusted where the tassels join the sash by cutting and rejoining. The sash and tassels are to cross over just below the waist and when viewed from the side, the front portion should lie on top of the other. The sash should be pinched together at the waist with two bar tacks ½ in. long and ½ in. apart, to allow the waist hook to be inserted and ensure anchorage of sash. Diagrams illustrating the correct fitting of the sash are held by all R.M. Clothing Officers.
20. **Shirt, Khaki.** Cotton twill. Open-front, buttoning to neck, with neckband and attached collar. Long sleeves, with buttoning vent and cuff. Mitre point buttoning shoulder straps. Two breast pockets with button-through flaps. Whole back with pleat over each shoulder blade fitted into yoke. Khaki flannel shirts, with and without collar, of previous pattern now obsolescent, also continue in issue while stocks last.
21. **Shorts, Khaki Drill.** Pleated into waistband, 3½ in. at front tapering to 3 in. at seat seam. Four belt loops. Two side pockets. Bottom of leg 25 in. to 28 in. round. Length approx. 3 in. above centre of kneecap.
22. **Socks.** Thick wool or polyester fibre, grey or khaki.
23. **Stockings, Khaki.** Ribbed, knitted, thin wool.
24. **Spurs.** For grooms. Ordinary steel jack spurs with black leather straps and tabs.
25. **Swords and Sword Belts**
  - a. Regimental Sergeant Majors—Sam Browne assembly and infantry sword with leather scabbard as for R.M. Officers (Art. 0520, 22. and 23.).
  - b. Other S.N.C.O.s above Colour Sergeant—Brown leather or white buff sword belt, Staff Sergeant's sword with steel scabbard and brown leather or white buff sword knot worn as in Art. 0602. All these S.N.C.O.s are issued with the brown sword belt, but the number of white buff sword belts and swords available is very limited and they are principally for the use of Band and Bugler S.N.C.O.s, although a small pool may be available in U.K. units for the use of other eligible S.N.C.O.s.
26. **Tie, Khaki.** Drab worsted braid.
27. **Trousers**
  - a. *Blue* tweed, with ⅝ in. wide scarlet stripe down each side seam. Bottom of legs shaped and plain. Fly front. Two side pockets.
  - b. *Lovat*—Serge, lovat, solid worsted, or Serge, lovat, woollen and worsted, as required. Pleated. For wear with or without braces, with fitted cloth belt. Bottom of legs shaped and plain. Fly front slide fastener closure. Two slant side pockets and one buttoning hip pocket.

- c. *Khaki drill*. Vat-dyed, mercerised drill. Pleated. For wear with or without braces, with waistband extension. Fly front. Bottom of legs plain. Two side pockets. Four belt loops.
- d. *Denim*. Army pattern overall trousers to match the blouse (8). Drab denim material.
- e. Bottom of leg to be 17 in. to 19 in. in measurement according to build of wearer.

### 28. Tunics and Mess Jackets (S.N.C.O.s.).

- a. *Blue*. Serge or tartan as required. Single-breasted. To button five. Stand collar. Pleated patch breast pockets with flaps. Jetted hip pockets with flaps. Shoulder straps. Pointed cuffs.
- b. *Lovat*. Serge, lovat, solid worsted or Serge, lovat, woollen and worsted, as required. Single-breasted. To button four. Step collar. Pleated patch breast pockets and 'blind' hip pockets, all with flaps. Shoulder straps. Pointed cuffs. Detachable cloth belt 2 in. wide with bronze buckle.
- c. *Khaki drill*. Vat-dyed, mercerised drill. Single-breasted. To button five. Stand collar. Pleated patch breast pockets with flap (No hip pockets). Shoulder straps. Pointed cuffs.
- d. *Scarlet mess jacket S.N.C.O.s.* Scarlet cloth with blue cloth roll collar and facings; set in sleeves with blue cloth cuffs  $3\frac{1}{8}$  in. deep. Patrol back and under collar of scarlet body cloth. Jacket fully lined; scarlet lining to body and cream lining to sleeves. Chest padded. No shoulder straps, front fasteners, button holes or show buttons to be fitted. Jacket to be slightly roached over the hips with a rounded peak at back.

- e. *White mess jacket S.N.C.O.s.* Plain White Drill of the pattern prescribed for R.M. officers.  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. anodised Corps buttons.

### 29. Whistle. Nickel silver. Naval stores pattern: Whistle, mouth. Worn on plain leather thong attached to top button of tunic, etc.

### 30. The following items are of naval ratings pattern and are described in Art. 0428:

Action/working dress shirt and trousers	Shirt, knitted, cook's
Bag, travelling	Shirt, white, tropical
Boots, ankle, naval pattern	Shoes, black leather
Braces, trouser	Shoes, gymnasium
Case, attaché	Shorts, blue drill, tropical
Case, suit	Towel
Housewife	Underwear
Knife, clasp	Wallet for paybook
Sheet and pillow slip	White drill trousers (for cooks)
Sandals	Windproof working jacket

### 31. R.M. Raincoat. As for Art. 0520.14.

0626.-0627.

## BADGES AND BUTTONS

**0628. CAP/BERET BADGES.** The Globe, Laurel, Lion and Crown badge, anodised or bronze as appropriate, is worn by all Other Ranks in one piece except as follows:

- a. R.S.M.s, Q.M.S.s and equivalent ranks wear a divided badge, i.e., Lion and Crown separate from and above the Globe and Laurel. (R.S.M.s wear officers pattern.)

- b. On the cap only, other ranks of the Portsmouth Group Band wear 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 worn on the cap immediately above the cap badge.

- c. On the cap only, other ranks of the Plymouth Group Band wear the anodised divided cap badge as a. with the Prince of Wales Plumes in silver between the Globe and Laurel and the Lion and Crown.

### 2. The composite badge is worn:

- a. Centrally in front of the cap, with the top of the red band running through the crown.
- b. On berets, immediately over the left eye: blue beret—centrally within and  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. above the bottom of the red patch; green beret— $\frac{1}{8}$  in. above the leather band.
3. The divided badge is worn on the cap with the tips of the wreath level with the top of the scarlet band and the crown  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. above, and on the beret as in 2.b. but with the crown  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. above the globe.

**0629. WHITE HELMET ORNAMENTS.** In addition to a polished ball ornament and a polished or bright anodised chin chain, Other Ranks wear a polished or bright anodised helmet badge on the white Wolseley pattern helmet. The badge is an eight-pointed star with dead and bright rays and a crown above; on the star a laurel wreath on the inside of which is a garter with the regimental motto 'Per Mare Per Terram'; above the garter a scroll 'Gibraltar' and below it an anchor; in the centre a globe. The badge is to be worn centrally on the front of the helmet with the bottom central point fitted approximately halfway over the band round the helmet, so that the points either side rest on the top of the band.

2. The Portsmouth Group Band wear two royal cyphers in silver attached to the helmet badge: the cypher G.R. V over the anchor and below the globe and the cypher E. II R./P.P. below the crown.

3. The Plymouth Group Band wear the Prince of Wales Plumes centrally upon the helmet badge above the globe and partially covering the crown.

**0630. COLLAR BADGES.** Other Ranks wear the metal or embroidered Globe and Laurel on blue and lovat uniforms, except Junior Musicians under training, who wear bright anodised or bronze lyre collar badges as appropriate. On blue tunics, the badges are to be set  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. above the collar seam with the centre of the badge 2 in. from the end of the collar. On lovat tunics, these badges are to be worn centrally on the step of the collar, the bottom of the laurel wreath  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above the edge of the step. Not worn on other garments.

**0631. LETTERS 'R.M.'** Block letters, size  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Worn centrally on the shoulder seams  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. above the seam. Not worn on overalls or smocks or on Band and Buglers' full dress tunics.

**0632. BUTTONS.** Corps button—raised round button. At the centre a fowl 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 in. and  $\frac{3}{4}$  in.: the smaller button for pockets and shoulder straps.

**0633. RANK BADGES.** Except for the greatcoat and combat dress, where they are worn on both arms, and the R.M. raincoat, where they are worn on detachable slip-on sleeves fitted over the shoulder straps, rank badges are worn on the right arm only, as follows:

RANK	BADGE	HOW WORN
Regimental Sergeant Major Quartermaster Sergeant Staff Bandmaster	Royal Arms Crown in laurel wreath Lyre in laurel wreath, surmounted by crown. (But on greatcoat and wrist strap the Q.M.S. badge is worn.)	Bottom point of badge $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash on tunic sleeve or cuff on greatcoat. In all shirt sleeve Dresses the badge is worn on a wrist strap.
Bandmaster	Lyre with oak leaves below and crown above.	
Bugler Q.M.S., Bugle Major, Drum Major.	Four chevrons, point upwards, with bugle or drum, as appropriate, above.	On tunic, inner angle of lowest chevron $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above point of slash of sleeve. On greatcoat, bottom of badge $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above cuff seam. In all shirt sleeve Dresses the badge is worn on a wrist strap.
Bandmasters of Portsmouth and Plymouth Group Bands and R.M.S.M. Staff Band.	Three chevrons, point upwards, with Royal Academy lyre above. (But with khaki drill and on wrist strap the metal Bandmaster badge is worn.)	
Provost Sergeant	Three chevrons, point upwards.	

RANK	BADGE	HOW WORN
Colour Sergeant	On blue uniform—three chevrons, point downwards, surmounted by a globe on crossed flags having a crown above and a foul anchor below and surrounded by a laurel wreath.	Except for greatcoat, bottom point of lowest chevron to be $10\frac{1}{2}$ in. below shoulder seam. On greatcoat, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above cuff seam.
Sergeant	On other uniform — three chevrons, point downwards, surmounted by a crown.	
Corporal	Three chevrons, point downwards.	
Lance-Corporal	Two chevrons, point downwards. One chevron, point downwards	

**0634. GOOD CONDUCT BADGES.** V-shaped stripes,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide. White and khaki 5 in. across top of V, others 6 in. Worn point upwards on the left arm with the inner angle of the lowest stripe  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. above the point of the sleeve slash. When more than one badge is worn the distance between them is to be  $\frac{3}{16}$  in., measured perpendicularly.

2. Good conduct badges are only to be worn by Marines, Musicians and Buglers and then only on the blue serge, white and khaki drill tunics. They are not worn on the Band ranks' and Buglers' blue cloth tunic.

#### 0635. BRANCH, SPECIALIST QUALIFICATION, SKILL AND SPECIAL BADGES

CATEGORY	BADGE	HOW WORN
<b>1. Branch badges</b>		
Radio Technician (Light)	Circle with three lightning flashes each side.	<p>a. S.N.C.O.s above Colour Sergeant do not wear branch badges.</p> <p>b. Colour Sergeants — right arm, <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above point of slash.</p> <p>c. N.C.O.s below Colour Sergeant—right arm, above the chevrons, fitted as close as possible into the 'V'.</p> <p>d. Marines, Musicians and Buglers—right arm, 6 in. below shoulder seam.</p>
Other Tradesmen	Crossed hammer and pincers	
R.M. Band	Metal lyre with oak leaves below and crown above.	
Bugler	Embroidered drum	

CATEGORY	BADGE	HOW WORN
<b>2. Specialist Qualification badges</b>		
Assault Engineer	Letters AE in wreath	<p><i>a.</i> S.N.C.O.s above Colour Sergeant do not wear SQ badges.</p> <p><i>b.</i> Colour Sergeants — right arm, <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above point of slash.</p> <p><i>c.</i> N.C.O.s below Colour Sergeant with Instructor or 1st Class S.Q. badge—right arm, above the chevrons, fitted well into the 'V' (Lower end of crossed guns, etc. to be <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above back-cloth of chevron). P.T. Instructor's badge also worn centrally on chest of gymnasium vest and sweater.</p> <p><i>d.</i> Other N.C.O.s and Marines —left arm <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above point of slash.</p> <p><i>e.</i> Not more than one S.Q. badge is to be worn.</p>
Clerk	Letter C in wreath	
Cliff Leader	Letters CL in wreath	
Cook	Letter K in wreath	
Drill and Platoon Weapons	Crossed rifles	
Driver	Steering wheel	
Gunnery	Crossed guns. Letters below as for naval ratings, viz.	
	Quarters QR	
	Quarters Armourer QA	
	Gunlayer GL	
	Gunlayer Armourer GA	
	Fire Control Armourer FC	
Heavy Weapons	Letters HW in wreath	
Landing Craft	Letters LC in wreath	
Physical Training	Crossed clubs	
Provost	Letters MP in wreath	
Signaller	Crossed flags	
Swimmer Canoeist	Letters SC in wreath	
<b>3. Skill badges</b>		
Marksman	Crossed rifles	<p>Left arm, <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above point of slash, unless an S.Q. badge is worn in this position, in which case the skill badge is worn <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above the S.Q. badge.</p>
Sniper	Crossed rifles with letter S above.	
R.M. Observer	Single wing of gold embroidery lifted to the right and attached to a silver 'O' surmounted by a crown.	
<b>4. Special badges</b>		
Light Aircraft Pilot	The Army Pilots' Badge—wings (extended) surmounted by lion and crown.	<p>The same badge as for officers (Art. 0532.2.) worn in the same position, viz. <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above top row of medal ribbons or <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> in. above left breast pocket if no medal ribbons worn.</p> <p>Right arm, 2 in. below shoulder seam.</p> <p>Left arm, 2 in. below shoulder seam.</p> <p>Left arm, 2 in. below shoulder seam, on blue and lovat uniform. Worn by recruits under training appointed Section Leaders.</p>
Parachutist	Parachute with wings	
King's Badge	Royal cypher 'GR V' in a laurel wreath.	
Section Leader's Diamond	Scarlet diamond	



RANK	BADGE	HOW WORN
Duke of Edinburgh's Medallion.	Designed in the form of a brooch depicting crossed rifles and sub-machine gun in a circular centre piece surrounded by a laurel wreath surmounted by a coronet, the whole 1.4 in. diameter.	Centrally on the pleat of the right breast pocket in blue, lovat and khaki drill dresses, with the top of the coronet $\frac{1}{4}$ in. below the bottom of the pocket flap. Only to be worn on occasions when the Duke of Edinburgh visits R.M. units in his capacity as Captain-General, or, at the discretion of the Commanding Officer, on a purely Regimental parade when medals are worn.
Royal Yacht	Embroidered badge lettered 'Royal Yacht' and surmounted by a crown.	Right arm 1 in. below the shoulder seam. Worn by ranks embarked in the Royal Yacht and by the Portsmouth Group Band.

**0636. STARS AND CROWNS** are added to the basic specialist qualification badges shown in Art. 0635.2. to indicate the classes of qualification, as follows:

Instructors—crown above basic device and two stars below

First Class—crown above basic device

Second Class—star above and star below basic device

Third Class—star above basic device

When there are both a letter and a star below the basic device, the letter is below the star.

**0637. BADGES AWARDED DURING FORMER SERVICE** in R.N., Army or R.A.F. are not to be worn unless they are badges currently authorised for wear by R.M. other ranks; provided also that the privilege of wearing the badge has not been withdrawn.

#### **0638. BADGES AND BUTTONS TO BE WORN WITH THE VARIOUS DRESSES**

DRESS	BADGES WORN	COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS
Blue tunic (Nos. 1 and 2 Dresses)	Collar badges Letters R.M. (not on Band and Buglers' cloth tunics). Rank, King's, Parachutist, Pilot's and Royal Yacht badges. Good conduct badges (not on Band and Buglers' cloth tunics) Branch badge (Band and Buglers only).	Buttons and metal badges anodised, except collar badges on Band and Buglers' full dress tunics, which are embroidered. Chevrons and good conduct badges gold on scarlet. Other badges gold on blue, except Band branch badge, which is to be metal and U.L.A. Pilots Badges which are silver embroidered on a blue/black background.

DRESS	BADGES WORN	COLOUR OF BADGES AND BUTTONS
Khaki drill tunic (No. 6 Dress)	Letters R.M. Rank, King's, Parachutist, Pilot's, Royal Yacht and Good Conduct Badges. Branch badge (Band and Buglers only).	Buttons and metal badges anodised. Arm badges khaki on khaki drill, except: R.S.M. and Bandmaster rank badges and Band branch badge —metal. Staff Bandmaster— gold on blue. Bugle Q.M.S., Bugle Major, Drum Major— gold on scarlet chevrons, gold on blue bugle or drum. Royal Yacht badge—white on blue. Parachutist badge—light blue on khaki drill. Pilot's badge (on breast)—gold and silver on blue as for R.M. officers (Article 0532.2).
Lovat tunic (Nos. 3 and 4 Dresses)	Collar badges Letters R.M. Rank, branch, S.Q., skill and special badges (S.Q. and skill badges are optional for the second lovat tunic).	Buttons, collar badges and letters R.M. bronze. Cap/beret badge anodised. Arm badges gold on green, two-thirds size of those worn on blues, except Band branch badge, which is to be anodi- sed and full size. Pilot badge gold and silver on blue, full size as for R.M. officers (Article 0532.2).
White tunic (Royal Yacht)	Letters R.M. Rank, good conduct, King's and Royal Yacht badges.	Buttons and metal badges ano- dised. Gold on blue rank, Royal Yacht and King's badges. Red on white good conduct badges.
Combat dress smock (No. 11 Dress)	Rank badge Pilot's badge	Beret badge bronze. Rank badges khaki on khaki serge. Pilot's badge light blue and gold on khaki.
Khaki shirt (Nos. 3A, 7, 8A, 10, 10B and 12 Dresses)	Letters R.M. Rank badge	With No. 12 (Tropical Combat Dress) only, beret badge and letters R.M. are to be bronze and wristlet badges, when worn, khaki on khaki cloth. Otherwise ano- dised metal badges and white on khaki arm badges are worn.
Light blue shirt (Nos. 8 and 10A Dresses)	Letters R.M. Rank badge	Metal badges anodised. Arm badges red on blue.
White shirt (Cooks' working dress)	Rank badge	Metal badges anodised. Arm badges red on white.
Denim overall blouse (No. 9 Dress)	Rank badge	Metal badges anodised. Arm badges khaki on khaki serge.
Greatcoat	Letters R.M. Rank badge	Buttons and metal badges ano- dised. Arm badges khaki on khaki serge.
→ R.M. raincoat	Rank badge	Badge white on lovat.
P.T.I.'s Gymnasium vest and sweater.	S.Q. badge	Badge red on white.

NOTE. Ranks issued with gilt buttons and badges may continue to wear them, on the appropriate uniforms in lieu of anodised, but only until 31st March 1966.

**0639. BACKGROUND AND ATTACHMENT OF BADGES.** The instructions in Art. 0442, as regards naval ratings' badges, are also applicable, so far as appropriate, to Royal Marines badges.

**0640. ARMLETS**

1. **R.M. Provost.** The 'M.P.' armband, as provided for the Royal Military Police, to be worn immediately above the right elbow. When chevrons are worn on the upper arm, the arm band should just cover the lower point of the bottom chevron, with the letters 'M' and 'P' on either side of the apex of the chevron.

2. **Unit Police.** Ranks on Unit Police duties are to wear the authorised armlet—'N.P.' 'R.P.' or 'R.M.' as appropriate—on the left sleeve immediately above the cuff of the tunic or greatcoat, or in a similar position on other uniform.

**0641.-0645.**

**ROYAL MARINES RESERVE**

**0646. ROYAL MARINES RESERVE OTHER RANKS** wear the same uniform as regular R.M. other ranks except that:

- a. Khaki battledress (with medal ribbons) is worn instead of lovat dress.
- b. Woven letters 'V.R.' in red on blue are worn immediately below the shoulder flash on the battledress blouse.
- c. Letters 'R.M.R.' are worn instead of 'R.M.'.