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With reference to Board minute of 18/1/23 conveying the directions of His Majesty that proposals as to uniform were to be submitted, the following Memoranda has been prepared :-

1. The patterns approved by His Majesty in 1920 are the same for both branches of the Corps, and are in process of being introduced with the exception of the articles named below, for which new proposals are submitted.

2. It is desired to substitute for the crossed guns and bugle or a combination of both these badges as suggested in my original memo, the badge of the Lion and Crown which is at present one of the badges of the Corps.

3. OFFICERS.- FULL DRESS TUNIC, SWORD BELTS, CROSS BELT OR SASH.

No decision is at present required, in view of the fact that the provision of a Ceremonial Dress for the Corps is not at present approved.

CAP.

The Gilt Metal crossed Guns, and the Gilt Metal Bugle to be replaced by a Gilt Lion & Crown.

BUTTONS.

Gilt Metal Buttons, inscribed "ROYAL MARINES".

COLLAR BADGES

Globe & Laurel of present pattern.

TROUSERS & PANTALOONS.

Scarlet Welt down each side seam for all Officers.

MESS DRESS.

Jacket-Blue Cloth, Cuffs and roll collar, (no shoulder straps); cuffs round 3.3/8" deep; four small buttons gilt with Lion & Crown, mounted in silver in front, dummy buttonholes; Corps Badge, Globe & Laurel (with Globe in silver), and badges of rank in Gilt metal on each side of roll collar.

Mess Vest.- Blue Cloth, plain roll collar, four small buttons, pocket each side.

WHISTLE CORD.

Blue for all Officers.

SWORD.

Infantry Pattern. (Officers in possession of Artillery Pattern to wear same during service).

SHOULDER LETTERS.

R.M., in Gilt metal.

SCHOOLMASTERS AND ROYAL MARINE BAND OFFICERS.

No alteration.

COLONELS COMMANDANT & 2ND COMMANDANT.

Frock Coat of present R.M.L.I. pattern, with Gold Crimson sash, sword belt and sword knot as laid down in present regulations.

All Officers to be permitted to wear patterns of uniform <sup>(except Badges)</sup> now in their possession until 1st January 1929, with the exception of those articles of pre-war pattern which in accordance with present regulations are allowed to be worn until 1st January 1926.

4. NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND MEN.

As the issue.

the issue of a Cloth Tunic to the Corps is not approved, the decision as to the colour of this garment may be deferred for the Corps generally, but it is necessary that a decision shall be given at once with regard to the Cloth Tunic of the Divisional Bands at R.M. Headquarters and of the Detachment of H. Yacht, as to whether His Majesty desires that they should be clothed in Blue or Scarlet Tunics.

TUNICS.

Present pattern, but inscribed "ROYAL MARINES".

CLASICAL BADGES.

Globe & Laurel, present pattern.

P.

Present pattern, but the red braid on front, now worn by H. Artillery only, removed.

P. BADGE.

Globe & Laurel surmounted by Lion & Crown badge.

TROUSERS.

Scarlet welt down side seams for all ranks, except Divisional Bands to retain broad stripes as at present.

SHOULDER TITLES.

R.M.

SERGEANTS SASHES.

To be retained for Sergeants, Colour Sergeants and Staff Sergeants.

5. The present pattern Uniform and Badges for the Royal Marine Band Service (R.N. School of Music) are not affected.

Adjutant General, R.M.  
5th Feb. 1923.