

General

There is a requirement in the Royal Marines for Cliff Loaders. Such specialists will be employed in Commandos (being dispersed in Fighting Troops) and at Commando School RM.

2. There are four standards for this specialist qualification:-

(a) CL 1 (Cliff Assault Instructor)

- (i) Able to reconnoitre and climb a new climb of several pitches up to severe standard without assistance.
- (ii) Capable of instructing and supervising instruction on all aspects of troop cliff assault landing, including the use of air photographs, projection, simple haulage, rocky landings and canoe reconnaissance.

(b) CL 2 (Cliff Assault Leader)

- (i) Able to lead a climb of several pitches not previously known to him up to very difficult standard without assistance or other guidance other than a general description of the route or an air photograph.
- (ii) Fully understands troop cliff assault procedure and the tactics of a sub-section in cliff assault; capable of acting as No.1 on a complex cliff assault, reconnoitring and preparing sub-section routes, ropes and covering positions.
- (iii) Able to prepare and operate 2" Mortar and Schermuly rocket equipment and to take charge of a team in simple haulage.
- (iv) Capable of instructing a rope of climbers and a class in rocky landings and in canoe reconnaissance.

(c) CL 3 (Potential Cliff Leader)

- (i) Able to lead a climb of several pitches not previously known to him up to difficult standard without assistance or guidance other than a general description of the route or an air photograph.
- (ii) Have a sound knowledge of cliff assault procedure and be able to act as No.2 in a difficult cliff assault. Capable of acting as No.1 on a simple cliff assault.
- (iii) Able to prepare and use 2" Mortar and Schomuly rocket projection equipment and to take his place in simple haulage.
- (iv) Ability to act as No.2 in rocky landings and in a canoe reconnaissance.

(d) Passed Basic Cliff Assault Course

Able to climb up to a moderate standard and can take his place behind leaders in a cliff assault of a more difficult standard than practicable for normal commando troops.

Courses

3. Qualifying courses are carried out at Commando School RM.

4. Details of courses are as follows :-

<u>Type of Course</u>	<u>Duration</u> (weeks)	<u>Qualification</u> obtained
Cliff Assault Instructor	8	CL 1
Cliff Assault Leader	8	CL 2
Potential Cliff Leader	3	CL 3
Basic	4	Passed Cliff Assault

Documentation

- 5. (a) PROW will keep a list of names of all ranks with CL qualifications.
- (b) Commando School RM is to publish Part II Orders in respect of ranks attaining CL qualifications.
- (c) Results of courses will be entered on Training and Employment Sheets.

Drafting Instructions

6. As laid down in RMRI.

(RM 228/50 is cancelled)

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