



# **ARMY DRESS REGULATIONS (ALL RANKS)**

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## **Part 7 - Dress Regulations for the Reserve Forces and University Officer Cadet Training Corps**

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## SECTION 1 - GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

### INTRODUCTION

**07.101 Scope.** This Part of Army Dress Regulations details the Dress Regulations for all ranks of the Reserve Forces including the Army Reserve and Cadets.

**07.102 Layout.** This pamphlet is divided into 2 sections:

- a. Section 1 - General Instructions.
- b. Section 2 - Dress.
  - (i) Annex A - No 1 Dress for Authorised Army Reserve Bands.
  - (ii) Annex B - Authorised Army Reserve Corps of Drums, Bugles and Pipes.
  - (iii) Annex C - Tartan Pattern Skirts.
- c. Section 3 - University Officer Training Corps (UOTCs)
  - (i) Annex A - Universities Authorised to Maintain UOTCs.

### ARMY DRESS COMMITTEE

**07.103 Function.** The Army Dress Committee considers all proposals affecting authorised orders of dress and embellishments for soldiers and approves the wearing of new pattern clothing; no deviation from any authorised pattern of clothing is permitted.

**07.104 Dress Proposals.** Proposals for Regiments and Corps of the Army Reserve are to be forwarded through the appropriate Regimental and Corps HQ to the Secretary Army Dress Committee copied to the appropriate branch in ARMY HQ.

**07.105 Proposal Guidelines.** To assist the Committee Secretariat in any research and to avoid any unnecessary delay or correspondence, originators are to observe the following guidelines in the preparation of proposals which should include:

- a. Reasons for proposal and historic precedent.
- h. Agreement of the Colonel or Colonel Commandant of the regiment or corps, and of the Honorary Colonel and the Colonel in Chief, if appropriate.
- c. Agreement of other regiments or corps, if necessary.
- d. Total personnel involved, by ranks, within authorised establishments and estimated cost of the proposal.
- e. A sketch indicating the design, colour, size and required finish, or, preferably a sample.

### CHANGES OF SCALE

**07.106 Proposals for Changes in Scaling.** Scales for all Reserve Forces personnel are contained in Scales for the Army. Any proposals to change scales of issue of any item of clothing or accoutrements are to be addressed to Logistic Support Branch ARMY HQ.

### CATEGORIES OF ARMY RESERVE PERSONNEL

**07.107 Categories of Army Reserve Personnel.** The Army Reserve, raised under the Reserve Forces Act, comprises:

- a. **Group A.** Independent and Specialist headquarters, units and posts, including

bandsmen, required to provide a national reserve. This Group is available for employment on specific tasks at home and overseas.

h. **Group B.** Officers Training Corps (OTC), OTC Special Officers Pool, Expeditionary Forces Institute (EFI) (Group B), Engineer and Transport Staff Corps that have varying liabilities for call out.

c. **Group C.** Personnel who have voluntarily joined the Army Reserve because of their civilian employers' obligation for the provision and maintenance of agreed services in an operational environment. Sponsored Reservists will have an obligation to train in peacetime and are liable to be mobilised at short notice, prior to the mobilisation of other elements of the Reserve Forces.

d. **General List Army Reserve.** (Officers only).

e. **Unposted List Army Reserve.** (Groups A & B).

f. **Non Regular Permanent Staff (NRPS).** NRPS personnel are entitled to the Army Reserve scales of clothing shown in Scales for the Army according to their rank. They are to wear to uniform and accoutrements of their current unit and are not to wear any item of clothing from any former unit with the exception of qualification badges. Former officers who are commissioned into the Army Reserve as members of the NRPS are not entitled to receive an initial outfit allowance or any other grants.

g. **Civil Service Military Support Function (MSF) and Full Time Reserve Service (FTRS).** MSF and FTRS officers and soldiers are to be scaled according to the unit's scales of uniform and clothing including No 2 Dress. They may wear the uniform and rank insignia of their former Regiment or Corps with the agreement of RHQ of their former Regiment or Corps and with the agreement of their current unit or they may wear the uniform of their current unit. This may be dictated by the FTRS contract. By default, they are to wear the rank appropriate to their appointment though individuals may wear previously attained rank but only with the authority of the local commander. MSF and FTRS officers and soldiers are not entitled to any military grants but may be issued with ceremonial uniform and accoutrements if required for their appointment. These are all to be returned on completion of any engagement/contract. If the current unit requires an MSF or FTRS officer to wear the unit's No 2 Dress in the course of his/her duties, then as there is no allowance or grant for the individual to purchase the appropriate Forage Cap or leather belt (Sam Browne or Cross Belt), it is the unit's responsibility to provide some form of subsidy but only from non-public funds. The uniform and the individual's conduct in uniform is to conform in all respects to Army Dress Regulations, AGAIs and QR(A).

h. **Cadet Forces Adult Volunteers (CFAV) Officers.** Officers of these forces are commissioned into the Army Reserve General List, Section B but have no Army Reserve responsibilities. Dress for these officers is contained in Part 8 of these Regulations.

## ORDERS OF DRESS

**07.108 Authorised Orders of Dress.** Authorised orders of dress for all ranks of the Army Reserve are as follows

- a. No 1 Dress - Temperate ceremonial uniform.
- b. No 2 Dress - Service Dress (temperate parade uniform).
- c. No 8 Dress – Combat Uniform (all regions).
- d. No 10 Dress - Temperate mess dress.
- e. No 12 Dress - Protective clothing.
- f. No 13 Dress – Barrack Dress with jersey.
- g. No 14 Dress - Shirt sleeve order.

## SECURITY

**07.109 Wearing of Uniform.** Military uniform may be worn in public both on and off duty in accordance with the guidelines contained in AGAI Volume 2 Chapter 59 including lectures, social functions, band concerts and charity events. Members of the Army Reserve travelling to and from their place of military duty may wear uniform unless there are restrictions in place from the local regional Brigade. However all Reserve personnel are to be aware of the occasions when uniform is NOT to be worn.

## EQUIPMENT

### Personal Equipment (Webbing and Bagpipe items).

- a. **Personal Equipment.** Members of the Army Reserve are issued with the web equipment authorised in Scales for the Army. Local policy may dictate the issue and storage of these items.
- b. **Buff Equipment.** Army Reserve units are entitled to use the pool of buff equipment (bayonet frogs, belts and rifle slings) administered by Log Sp Branch ARMY HQ.
- c. **Bagpipe Covers, Cords and Ribbons.** Authorised Corps of Pipes and Drums (see JSP 813) may purchase replacement bagpipe covers, cords and ribbons from regimental suppliers; payment is effected through the local Brigade HQ.

## SPECIAL CLOTHING ISSUES

**07.110 Clothing Issues to Recruits.** Recruits are to be issued only with the minimum basic clothing to enable them to be adequately dressed for training duties (see Annex A to Section 4). Immediately before reporting for recruit basic training, recruits are to be issued with additional clothing to bring them up to the full scale.

**07.111 Clothing in Warm Weather Areas.** Units and individuals who need warm weather clothing are to apply to their local regional Brigade for the appropriate clothing.

**07.112 Clothing in Cold Weather Areas.** Units with a requirement for cold weather clothing are to apply to their local regional Brigade for the appropriate clothing.

**07.113 Ceremonial.** Army Reserve units entitled to ceremonial items for special occasions, are to apply to their local regional Brigade for initial issue and guidance on replacement and repair.

**07.114 Stable Belts and Side Hats.** These items may be worn at the discretion of COs on suitable occasions in any form of working dress. Stable belts and side hats are not provided at public expense and no officer or soldier is to be ordered to provide himself with these items. Patterns must be approved by the Army Dress Committee.

**07.115 Skin Sensitivity.** Soldiers suffering from epidermic disorders considered to be brought about by the contact of military clothing or equipment with their skin, are to report to their unit medical centre in accordance with unit Standing Orders.

**07.116 Army Reserve Civilian Staff.** Civilians employed by RFCAs may be issued with waterproof and working clothing if the circumstances are such that issue would be justified for MOD employees. Clothing issued in this way is to be held and accounted for in the same manner as unit clothing.

## MAINTENANCE OF CLOTHING

**07.117 Tailoring.** The tailoring of authorised uniforms issued to Army Reserve personnel is carried out under the tailoring contract arranged by the regional Brigade.

**07.118 Dry Cleaning.** Army Reserve soldiers (but not officers) may use the dry cleaning facilities under contract arrangements made by the regional Brigade. When this is not possible, dry cleaning is to be paid for by the individual and the cost reclaimed on presentation of the receipted bill to the Regimental Administrative Officer (RAO).

## RETENTION PROCEDURE

### **07.119      Transfer to the Regular Army.**

- a.        The Army Reserve unit is not to issue items not normally held in order to equip the individual up to the Regular Army clothing scale; additional scale items are to be supplied by the receiving Regular Army unit.
- b.        Regimental items and clothing peculiar to the Army Reserve are to be withdrawn prior to transfer.

**07.120      Clothing Retained on Discharge.** Individuals may keep certain items on discharge as a Free Retention Scale (FRS), provided they have served at least 3 years and are not discharged, on disciplinary grounds or for misconduct.

**07.121      Clothing Exchanges for Personnel in Their Last 6 Months of Service.** Clothing exchanges in the last 6 months of service are to be restricted to essential clothing items only. Serviceable part worn items are to be issued where possible.

**07.122      – 7.129 Reserved**

## SECTION 2 - DRESS

### ORDERS OF DRESS

**07.201 Authorised Orders of Dress.** The orders of dress authorised for all ranks of the Army Reserve are listed in Section 1. The following paragraphs contain additional detail on specific items of dress

#### NO 1 DRESS

**07.202 Limitation on Wearing No 1 Dress.** Although No 1 Dress is an authorised order of dress for the Army Reserve it is not ordinarily scaled and is only to be worn when specifically authorised by the Army Dress Committee. The list of those units and personnel who are authorised to wear No 1 Dress may be found in Part 10 of these Regulations.

**07.203 Provision for Musicians.** The Bands, Corps of Drums, Bugles or Pipes listed in JSP 813 are authorised by the Army Dress Committee to wear No 1 Dress. Providing funds are available, the Committee will approve the issue of No 1 Dress either at public or unit expense, subject to the following conditions

- a. Only the patterns of dress and embellishments approved by the Army Dress Committee are to be worn.
- b. The manning strength within its approved complement is at a level to maintain acceptable musical standards.

**07.204 Regimental Patterns and Embellishments.** Regimental patterns of No 1 Dress and embellishments to be worn with Nos 1 and 3 Dress are shown in Part 4 of these Regulations. Where the pattern of No 1 dress worn by an Army Reserve unit is different from that worn by its Regular Army parent regiment or there is no Regular Army regiment, details of the ceremonial items to be worn are given in Part 9 of these Regulations.

**07.205 Aiguillettes.** Aiguillettes are authorised for issue to Army Reserve officers for wear with ceremonial uniform in the following appointments:

- a. Equerries within the Royal Household, ADC and Honorary ADC to The Sovereign – Aiguillettes No 1
- b. Personal staff to senior officers in command – Aiguillettes No 3

On cessation of the appointment Aiguillettes are to be signed over to the new incumbent or returned to the formation Log Sp staff.

**07.206 Officer Pattern Items for WO1.** WOs 1 may wear officer pattern No 1 Dress and accoutrements when the parent Regiment/Corps so authorises.

**07.207 Pools of No 1 Dress.** Army Reserve units, other than bands, authorised to hold and maintain pools of No 1 Dress are listed in Section 4, Part 10 of these Regulations.

#### NO 2 DRESS

**07.208 Entitlement.** No 2 Dress is a personal issue for the following:

- a. **Army Reserve officers, WOs and Sgts (Groups A and B).** The free issue includes jacket and trousers, all badges and buttons, shirts, tie, socks and a pair of black shoes. WOs and Sgts also receive free issue of caps and belts.
- b. **Musicians.** Members of authorised bands, corps of drums, bugles and pipes as listed in JSP 752.

**07.209 Pools of No 2 Dress.** No 2 Dress for Cpls and below is to be held in unit pools. Holdings are not to exceed 50% of unit establishment and may be less according to need. Exceptionally, selected

units may exceed the permitted limit but only when specifically authorised by Log Sp ARMY HQ through the appropriate regional Bde HQ.

## **NO 2 DRESS FOR OFFICERS**

### **07.210 Grants.**

a. **Initial Outfit Grant.** If an officer is commissioned after 1 Apr 13 into a Group A unit, caps and Sam Browne belts are to be provided from the Initial Outfit Grant but maintained thereafter by the individual. See Section 2, Part 10 of these Regulations.

b. **Non-Standard Belt Grant.** Officers commissioned after 1 Apr 13 into Group A units and into regiments or corps that do not wear the standard brown Sam Browne Belt may claim the Non-Standard Belt Grant. See Section 2, Part 10 of these Regulations.

**07.211 Upkeep Grant.** Officers commissioned after 1 Apr 13 into Group A units and who received the Initial Outfit Grant may claim the Uniform Upkeep Grant of £50 annually on each anniversary of receiving the Initial Grant. Claims for this grant are to be made manually and receipts are not required.

## **NO 8 DRESS – COMBAT UNIFORM**

**07.212 Personal Clothing System – Combat Uniform (PSC CU).** PCS-CU is issued to all Army Reserve personnel for wear on operations, training and in barracks. Exceptionally it may be worn on formal parades by Army Reserve personnel; medals are not to be worn in this order of dress with the exception of campaign medals presented at a medal parade. Other medals may only be worn on Combat Uniform with the personal approval of GOC Support Command in consultation with PS12(Army).

## **NO 10 DRESS**

**07.213 Mess Dress.** For officers commissioned prior to 1 Apr 13 and SNCOs promoted from Cpl before 1 Apr 13, Mess Dress is an optional item of clothing. For those officers commissioned after 1 Apr 13 into Group A units and for SNCOs promoted into Group A units from Cpl after 1 Apr 13, Mess Dress is provided from Grant and is to be worn as ordered. For officers this is the remaining elements of the Initial Outfit Grant and for SNCOs the grant is the SNCO Mess Dress Grant. See Part 10 of these Regulations for details. Junior NCOs should be discouraged from purchasing Mess Dress. Mess Dress is to be in the pattern approved for each regiment and corps by the Army Dress Committee.

**07.214 Upkeep Grant.** For those officers commissioned after 1 Apr 13 into Group A units and for SNCOs promoted into Group A units from Cpl after 1 Apr 13, a Uniform Upkeep Grant is available. Officers receive £50 from which to maintain both No 2 Dress and Mess Dress. SNCOs receive £25 annually on each anniversary of receiving the SNCO Mess Dress Grant. Claims for this grant are to be made manually and receipts are not required.

**07.215** Reserved.

## **BARRACK DRESS**

**07.216 No 13 Dress – Barrack Dress Winter Order.** This order of dress consists of regimental jerseys (if so authorised) or Jersey Heavy Wool, shirt, tie, khaki trousers of Trousers Lightweight and shoes. Stable belts may be worn according to regimental/corps custom.

**07.217 No 14 Dress – Barrack Dress Summer Order.** As for No 13 Dress less jersey and tie.

## **FOOTWEAR**

**07.218 George Boots.** George Boots without spur housing are authorised for those bandsmen, who are entitled to wear Cavalry pattern trousers.

## **TARTAN PATTERN SKIRTS**

**07.219 Tartan Pattern Skirts.** Territorial Army female officers and soldiers in certain headquarters and units in Scotland are authorised to wear tartan skirts at public expense. These skirts are issued on a

loan basis and are to be returned to store when the officer or soldier is no longer serving in Scotland. The authorised tartan patterns applicable to the units concerned are shown in Part 10 of these Regulations. The Maclaren tartan authorised for 117 HQ Sqn, 71 (AS) Engineer Regiment (Volunteers) is not provided at public expense.

## **MATERNITY WEAR**

**07.220 Maternity Wear.** Maternity Wear is available for Army Reserve female personnel when it becomes inappropriate for normal uniform to be worn.

**07.221 Maternity Clothing Items.** Army Reserve female personnel are entitled to the following items, however this should be viewed as a maximum and units should only demand items which are likely to be worn:

- a. All Female Servicewomen, less Nursing/Dental staff:
  - i) 1 x cardigan.
  - ii) Maximum of 4 "tops" in any combination of dress and short sleeve shirt (with slacks), determined by the individual according to the role they are fulfilling.
  - iii) e.g. 2 dresses, 2 shirts, 1 pair of slacks or 1 dress, 3 shirts, pair of slacks or 4 shirts, 2 pairs of slacks.
- b. Female Nursing/Dental Staff:
  - i) 1 x cardigan.
  - ii) 4 Clinical (White) dresses or combination of items.

## **CLOTHING AND ACCOUTREMENTS OF RELIGIOUS OR CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE**

**07.222** These may be worn according to Annex B to AGAI Vol 2 Ch 59.

**07.223** – 7.229 Reserved.



## SECTION 3 - UNIVERSITY OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (UOTC)

### GENERAL

**07.301 Introduction.** This section deals with the issue of personal clothing to Army personnel of UOTCs. Except where specifically indicated it does not deal with clothing matters for the permanent staff or for regimentally sponsored commissioned officers undergoing a university degree course, who are attached to UOTCs. The universities authorised to form UOTCs are listed at Annex A to this section.

**07.302 Initial Issue.** The authorised scale of initial issue clothing is detailed within Scales for the Army. Clothing in excess of this scale is not to be issued without Log Sp ARMY HQ authority. The issue allows for the provision, on an individual basis, of combat clothing for field training and clothing for barrack wear. It also includes No 2 Dress clothing for cadets required to wear that uniform.

**07.303 Unit Clothing.** Unit clothing may be authorised in the unit ET scale or held on the unit Miscellaneous Stores Account (MSA). When necessary advice on this matter should be sought from the regional Brigade Log Sp staff.

### NO 2 DRESS

**07.304 General.** No 2 Dress is required to be issued to those personnel attending the Commissioning Course at RMAS. A No 2 dress is not required to be issued in respect of the Territorial Army Preparatory Course (TAPC) except that this course is sometimes run in the week preceding attendance the Commissioning Course. No 2 dress, whether standard pattern or Scottish pattern is issued on a loan basis and is subject to reissue on subsequent occasions as necessary. No 2 Dress may be worn on certain ceremonial occasions as ordered by Commanding Officers.

**07.305 Unit Pools.** In order to facilitate the issue of No 2 Dress uniform a pool of these uniforms numbering up to 50% of the total cadet strength may be held in unit stores. The issue of this uniform to individuals is to be on a temporary basis, the uniform being returned to the unit pool following the duty for which it was issued. The pool is to consist of the following items:

- a. No 2 dress uniforms (standard pattern) c/w buttons (regimental).
- b. No 1 dress cap (pattern as appropriate to regiment).

**07.306 Scottish Pattern No 2 Dress.** Where authorised Scottish pattern No 2 dress may be worn by cadets. Where authority exists for Scottish pattern No 2 dress to be worn, shoes highland are authorised for issue.

**07.307 Head Dress.** Other than when issued to cadets for attendance on the Commissioning Course or when required for ceremonial parades, No 1 Dress caps are not to be issued. No 2 Dress caps are not to be issued to officer cadets. The approved headdress is the standard issue blue beret except where specifically a regimental pattern beret or Tam O'Shanter has been authorised by the Army Dress Committee. In No 2 Dress a bonnet or glengarry is worn as authorised.

### INDIVIDUAL ITEMS OF CLOTHING AND BADGES

**07.308** The Army Dress Committee has approved certain items of clothing and badges for particular UOTC. Details of these items can be found in Part 9 of these Regulations.

**ANNEX A TO SECTION 3****UNIVERSITIES AUTHORISED TO MAINTAIN UOTCs**

| <b>University<br/>(a)</b> | <b>Title of Officer Training Corps<br/>(b)</b> |
|---------------------------|--|
| Aberdeen                  | Aberdeen Universities OTC                      |
| Birmingham                | Birmingham University OTC                      |
| Bristol                   | Bristol University OTC                         |
| Cambridge                 | Cambridge University OTC                       |
| City of Edinburgh         | City of Edinburgh Universities OTC             |
| East Midlands             | East Midlands Universities OTC                 |
| Exeter                    | Exeter Universities OTC                        |
| Glasgow and Strathclyde   | Glasgow and Strathclyde Universities OTC       |
| Leeds                     | Leeds University OTC                           |
| Liverpool                 | Liverpool University OTC                       |
| London                    | London University OTC                          |
| Manchester and Salford    | Manchester and Salford Universities OTC        |
| Northumbrian              | Northumbrian Universities OTC                  |
| Oxford                    | Oxford University OTC                          |
| Queen's                   | Queen's University OTC                         |
| Sheffield                 | Sheffield University OTC                       |
| Southampton               | Southampton University OTC                     |
| Tayforth                  | Tayforth Universities OTC                      |
| The University of Wales   | The University of Wales OTC                    |