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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 02 October in which you requested the following information:


“Uniform guidelines or dress regulations of the King's Royal Hussars.”

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. The following has been extracted from Part 4 - Royal Armoured Corps of the Army Dress Regulations.

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
1	Cap Badge	Black Hawk wearing a gold crown and gold letters FR on its breast. The hawk is holding a gold staff with smaller hawk mounted on the top in left claw and gold orb in its right claw (ORs Forage Cap only). Gold Hawk worn in Beret.
2	Collar Badge	POW Plumes (small on No 2 Dress / Large on No 1 Dress).
3	Facing Colour (Dress)	Crimson (Cavalry)
4	Tunic Buttons	Flat circular brass engraved with KRH in block capitals with crown above.
5	TRF	50x32mm 3 vertical bars of Crimson / Primrose / Crimson.
6	Lanyard	White lanyard on left shoulder (less Officers and WO's).
7	Stable Belt	Alternate horizontal crimson and primrose stripes with double buckle.
8	Special Arm Badge Special Distinction	Not applicable to KRH

Brief Details of Uniform under Orders of Dress

Nos 1 and 3 Dress

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)	
9	Headdress Officers ORs	Crimson No 1 Dress hat. Gold braid peak, small KRH buttons, Cap badge. Crimson No 1 Dress Hat, Small KRH buttons, Black Hawk Cap Badge. Note same head dress for male and female officers and ORs.	
10	Tunic Collar Badge Special Arm Badge (<i>if any</i>) Tunic Buttons	Officers Dress Jacket. Standard design, double vent, large POW collar dogs, 5/8" brass screw-in pips on chain mail, large KRH buttons on front, medium on sleeves and breast pockets, embroidered kukris on each arm (the top Kukri should point rearwards), ORs Standard RAC pattern Collar Badge (POW Plumes - Lge) Chain Mail, RAC pattern KRH Buttons (Large) KRH Buttons (Medium) Breast pocket Crossed Kukris (cloth style) on sleeves Female version to be the same style cut to the female form but without breast pockets.	
11	Rank Badges	Oval Prussian Eagle badge on crimson backing worn above chevrons on right arm only. (SSGT crown above). Oval Prussian Eagle on crimson backing worn below rank badge for WO1 and WO2.	
12	Trousers	Crimson overalls with double primrose stripes (Officers and WOs). Crimson skirt (female)	

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
		Crimson trousers for remainder.
13	Accoutrements	<p>Officers Cross Belt RH or 14/20H patterns (and predecessor Regts). Sword (1912 Cavalry Officer's pattern), Incl Sword Belt with long and short slings.</p> <p>Sam Browne - cavalry pattern (worn by Officers and Warrant Officers).</p> <p>ORs Belt White plastic waistbelt with brass buckle and KRH cap badge.</p>
14	<i>Sword Including scabbard & sword knot</i>	<p>(1912 Cavalry Officer's pattern), Incl Sword Belt with long and short slings.</p> <p>Gold Sword Knot for Officers, White Knots for ORs.</p>
15	Footwear <i>Including spurs</i>	<p>Officers Mess Wellingtons, boxed with 2.5" swan necked spurs. Females wear black Gibson style shoe for parades or black court shoes.</p> <p>ORs George Boots (Spurs worn by SNCOs when in Ceremonial Dress). Females to wear black Gibson style shoes on parade or black court shoes.</p>
16	Gloves	White Cotton

Nos 2 and 4 Dress

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
	<p><i>Items in same order as above - as appropriate (Jacket vice Tunic etc)</i></p>	<p>Officers Male and Female: Jacket as issued.. Small POW collar dogs, brass kukris on each arm, 5/8" brass pips and KRH shoulder titles, large KRH buttons on front, medium on sleeves, epaulettes and all pockets. Crimson trousers Black Oxford pattern shoes. Females – as for No 1 Dress</p> <p>ORs Standard No 2 Dress Collar Badge (POW Plumes - small) KRH Shoulder titles KRH Buttons (large) on front KRH Buttons (medium) on epaulettes and breast pockets</p> <p>Silver Crossed Kukris on sleeves White lanyard on left shoulder (less WO's) OR's: No 2 Dress shirt & khaki braid tie WO's & SNCO: Cream coloured officer pattern shirt and cream braid tie. Crimson trousers – skirt for females Black Oxford pattern shoes (WOs) George Boots Court shoes for females</p>



Nos 5 and 8 Dress (Warm Weather/Temperate)


Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
	<p><i>As above</i></p>	<p>No 8 Dress Combat suit (CS 95) Name tag above left breast pocket KRH Flash: worn on upper right sleeve 5cm from shoulder seam Issued green roll neck (Norwegian) as required.</p>

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
		Beret complete with beret badge on rising sun crimson backing Green belt webbing Socks Green/Black GS (issue) Boots Combat High (& elastics) Rank: All rank insignia to be worn on rank slide epaulette

No 10 Dress

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
	<i>As above</i>	<p>Officers Male and Female: Mess jacket, embroidered kukris on each arm (the top Kukri should point rearwards). Scarlet embellished waistcoat.</p> <p>SNCOs / JNCOs Male and Female Blue jacket high open collar twisted braided shoulder cords no collar badges. Scarlet waistcoat</p> <p>Embroidered crossed kukris on top of sleeves</p> <p>Crimson Overalls with primrose double stripe</p> <p>George Boots, with 2.5 “ swan necked spurs</p>



Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
		<p>Rank:</p> <p>a. WO's: Embroidered crowns on crimson backing with gold embroidered Prussian eagle on crimson backing below</p> <p>b. NCO's: Twisted gold thread style chevrons on rectangle of crimson backing with gold embroidered</p> <p>c. Prussian eagle on crimson backing above</p> 

No 11 Dress

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
	<i>As above</i>	<p>Officers White rope epaulettes with embroidered badges of rank and KRH buttons (medium), no collar dogs are worn.</p> <p>SNCOs As per No 10 Dress, with the exception: White cotton drill Jacket with Crimson Facings, Crimson Cumberbund (replaces Waistcoat).</p>

Nos 13/14 Dress

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
	<i>As above</i>	<p>Officers Forage Hat, (Side Hat may be worn, but not on Parade), Shirt and Braid tie, Regimental Pullover, cloth patch epaulettes (with pips sewn on), Crimson trousers, Black-punched Oxford shoes with Black socks, Brown leather Cane.</p> <p>ORs</p> <p>WO's and SNCO Jersey with crimson epaulettes sewn into shoulder</p> <p>a. WO's white rank badge on khaki backing sewn onto</p>

Serial (a)	Main Features (b)	Description (c)
		<p>lower right sleeve</p> <p>b. SNCO's white rank badge on khaki backing sewn onto upper right sleeve</p> <p>c. OR's Jersey heavy wool with KRH shoulder slides (not crimson) white rank badges on khaki backing sewn onto upper right sleeve</p> <p>Cream coloured officer style shirt and tie for SNCO's and No 2 dress shirt and tie for OR's</p> <p>Crimson trousers</p> <p>Head wear:</p> <p>a. WO's: Khaki forage hat</p> <p>b. Remainder: Crimson No 1 dress hat or beret.</p> <p>Shoes black leather (WO's)</p> <p>George boots</p> <p>socks black/green GS (issue)</p> <p>Whip for WO's (less RQMS & RQMS(T)</p> <p>Who have bamboo canes)</p> <p>Shirt sleeve order:</p> <p>WO's & SNCO: Cream coloured officer pattern shirt</p> <p>OR's: No2 dress shirt</p> <p>Belt: Stable Belt</p> <p>Rank: WO's, SNCO and JNCO's rank insignia mounted on a leather wrist band worn on right wrist.</p> <p>(continued)</p> <p>KRH shoulder titles (brass or stay bright depending on rank)</p> <p>Shoes black leather (WO's)</p> <p>George boots</p> <p>socks black/green GS (issue)</p>

Notes

1. Include Side Cap under Headdress (if any).

2. Where item is worn by all ranks show it as such in clm (b), in place of separate Officer and OR detail.

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Yours sincerely,

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