# INGENIEROS MILITARES

ROYAL ENGINEERS

Engineer officers of the Army received the title Royal in 1787 and were styled The Corps of Royal Engineers —an 'officers only' Corps. As regards other-ranks, a Company of Military Artificiers was formed in Gibraltar in 1772 and was amalgamated with the Corps of Royal Military Artificiers in 1797. In 1812, the title was changed to Royal Sappers and Miners. In 1856 were combined to form The Corps of Royal Engineers.

### forage cap — beret badge

In 1782 the device worn on officers' sword belts was the King's cypher with the crown over it. At some time later the cypher was surrounded by the garter, on which was placed 'Corps of Royal Engineers'. This was later changed again to simply 'Royal Engineers'. A similar device was worn on the breastplate of cross belts introduced for the Royal Sappers and Miners in 1823. It is not known when the laurel wreaths were added but it was probably in recognition of the work done by the Corps during the Napoleonic Wars. The cap badge was first used as a hat badge on the khaki helmets issued to troops during the South African War of 1899 – 1902. The design is the Garter and Motto surmounted by a Crown; within the Garter the Royal Cypher, which changes with each reigning monarch; without the Garter a wreath of laurel; on a scroll at the bottom of the wreath, the words Royal Engineers. The motto on the Garter is Honi soit qui mal y pense (Evil to him who evil thinks)





OC. VICTORIA R (1856-1901)with a wrealth of laurel, surmonted by a Victorian crown, a strap inscribed Royal Engineers. In the centre the Royal Cypher VR



**ENGINEER VOLUNTEERS** QC. VICTORIA R (1860-1901)a strap inscribed Engineer Volunteers surmonted by a Victorian crown. In the centre the Royal Cypher VR. White metal for other-ranks



KC. GEORGE V R (1910-1936) as previous but with cypher of King George V



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**RE MILITIA** KC. GEORGE V R a laurel-wrealth surmonted by a Imperial crown, within this the Garter with the cypher of King George V in the centre. With a white-metal letter M on the base of the Garter



KC. EDWARD VIII R (1936)as previous but with cypher of King **Edward VIII** 



KC. GEORGE VI R (1936-1952) as previous but with cypher of King George VI





KC. GEORGE VI R (1936-1952)as previous but with cypher of King George VI





KC. GEORGE VI R wartime economy issue 1941-1945



KC. GEORGE VI R gun metal (1936-1952)



**GAUNT** OC. ELIZABETH II R anodised (1952-)



**GAUNT** OC. ELIZABETH II R anodised (1952-)



**FIRMIN** QC. ELIZABETH II R anodised (1952-)



QC. ELIZABETH II R



as previous but with cypher of Queen Elizabeth II. Bimetal (1952-)



OC. ELIZABETH II R tissue, worn in the Gulf War, 1991



**GAUNT** 

**GAUNT** ROYAL MONMOUTHSHIRE ROYAL **ENGINEERS** anodised





POPSKI'S PRIVATE ARMY (1st DEMOLITION Bn) nickel



POPSKI'S PRIVATE ARMY (1st DEMOLITION Bn) brass





3<sup>rd</sup> PORT TASK FORCE RE



71st SCOTTISH ENG RGT (V)



**RE TRAINING BATTALION** 



32nd ASSAULT ENG RGT

22nd ENG GROUP 3<sup>rd</sup> pattern



23rd ENG GROUP

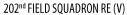


COMBAT ENGINEER TRAINING CENTER Hamelin (Germany)



HARRIER SUPPORT FORCE RE won by 38th **RGT** in Germany







202nd FIELD SQUADRON RE (V)



107<sup>th</sup> ENG RGT TA 'LANCASHIRE' FORTRESS ENGINEERS



MOVEMENT CONTROL UNITS RE AER 2<sup>nd</sup> pattern

shoulder titles: in order to indicate the regiment or corps to which personnel belonged were to wear a regimental designation at the top of both sleeves od the battle-dress blouse or on service dress jackets



**ROYAL ENGINEERS WW2** 



ROYAL ENGINEERS



ROYAL ENGINEER TAB, SUBDUED



RE black on khaki slip on shoulder strap title worn WWII on the battle-dress blouse, khaki drill jacket and khaki drill shirt



**ROYAL ENGINEERS** 



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ROYAL MONNS (TERRITORIAL ARMY RE) arm flash





shoulder title



**GAUNT** beret badge



beret badge



collar badge

ranks and others



RE REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR in order to facilitate the recognition of warrant officers class I, a badge of rank with coloured edging corresponding to the weare's arm-of-service (blue)



RE hand embroidered bullion badge



QUALIFIED INSTRUCTOR'S in field works below rank of sergeant, QI in wreath



rank badge QUATER MASTER, SERGEANT MAJOR, INSTRUCTOR RE



SERGEANT'S number 2 dress rank badge



'T' AND 'RE' FOR TERRITORIAL (VOLUNTEER) ENGINEER





an embroidered grenade was first worn on the tail of an Royal Engineers Officer's full dress scarlet Goatee in 1824. The following year a brass grenade was introduced for other ranks of the Royal Sappers and Miners. The grenade was later worn on the epaulet and then on the collar. The number of flames to the grenade has varied, but in 1922 a nine-flamed grenade, with the motto Ubique (Everywhere) below it, was authorized





TITLE RE worn on the shoulder straps of service dress tunics, khaki drill jackets and greatcoats





**RE VOLUNTEERS** QC. VICTORIA R small



**HOBSON & SONS** RE KC. EDUARD VII R large



**FIRMIN & SONS** RE KC. EDUARD VII R large



**HOBSON & SONS RE VOLUNTEERS** KC. EDUARD VII R



**BURBERRYS** RE KC. GEORGE V R large



RE KC. GEORGE V R large



KC. GEORGE VI R small blackened



**GAUNT** RE KC. GEORGE VI R medium



PITT, GAUNT



RE QC. ELIZABETH II R large



FIRMIN, GAUNT RE QC. ELIZABETH II R medium, small

pioneer corps; royal pioneers Motto: Labor-Omnia-Vincit



KC cap badge silver



FIRMIN
KC cap badge
brass



KC cap badge gilt



QC cap badge gilt



**GAUNT**QC cap badge



QC cap badge, embroidered



ROYAL PIONEERS QC



ROYAL PIONEERS QC





ARM-OF-SERVICE STRIP, 1941
in order that a clear
identification of a person's armof-service was possible, all
ranks had to wear a trip of
coloured material. Were worn
on each sleeve of the battledress blouse immediately below
any formation badge worn



army apprentice college this unit has been disbanded, and it was where the Royal Engineers trained 16-17½ years old recruits in trades



ARMY APPRENTICE COLLEGE



**BUTTOMS LIMITED** QC. ELIZABETH II R large



**DOWLER** QC. ELIZABETH II R medium



**BUTTOMS LIMITED**QC. ELIZABETH II R
small

### RE COMBAT LANYARD, RE LANYARD, RE INSTRUCTION LANYARD

The Royal Engineers lanyard is navy blue and worn on the right shoulder. Since 19th century plain lanyards were used for securing the jackknife which was issued to all mounted troops. It was intended to be worn around the waist but soldiers soon found it to be more convenient to wear it on the shoulder with the knife in the breast pocket. The Royal Engineers, as did other corps and regiments of the British Army, introduced the lanyard to brighten up their battledress uniform

RE STABLE BELT (red and blue striped webbing).