

Scottish Command

Regular Troops in the Command

16th/5th Lancers (1)

Infantry

2nd Bn. The Cameronians, (Scottish Rifles) (2)

2nd Bn. The Black Watch (Royal Highlanders) (3)

2nd Bn. The Cameron Highlanders (4)

Royal Artillery (5)

Royal Artillery, Fixed Defences Scottish Ports

Forth Fire Command, Royal Artillery

Clyde Fire Command, Royal Artillery

Royal Engineers (6)

49th (Fortress) Company, Royal Engineers

Detachment, Survey Bn. Royal Engineers

Royal Corps of Signals (7)

No. 4 Artillery Signal Section, Royal Corps of Signals

Scottish Command Signal Company, Royal Corps of Signals

Royal Army Service Corps (8)

'J' Company, Royal Army Service Corps

Royal Army Medical Corps (9)

13th Company, Royal Army Medical Corps

Royal Army Ordnance Corps (10)

12th Section, Royal Army Ordnance Corps

Royal Army Pay Corps (11)

Edinburgh Detachment, Royal Army Pay Corps

Leith Detachment, Royal Army Pay Corps

Perth Detachment, Royal Army Pay Corps

1. This regiment was based in Edinburgh. It had been formed in April 1922 by the merger of the 16th The Queen's Lancers and 5th Royal Irish Lancers. At that time, the regiment was stationed in India. In 1923, it moved to Egypt, and then in 1926 it returned to the U.K. to be stationed at Tidworth. In 1928, it moved to Hounslow, and then in 1929 moved north to Edinburgh. It remained stationed in Scotland for two years before returning to Tidworth. During the war, it saw active service in Tunisia and Italy with the 6th Armoured Division.
2. A Regular Army infantry unit, this battalion was stationed at Glasgow. In January 1930, the battalion returned to Scotland from service in India. It left in 1932 to move to Portsmouth to join the 9th Infantry Brigade. In 1937, it was sent to Palestine, returning the following year to be stationed in Catterick Camp. It came under command of the 13th Infantry Brigade with which it was served throughout the Second World War.
3. This Regular Army battalion was stationed at Fort George, near Inverness. It arrived here in 1925 from Bordon in Hampshire, leaving in 1931 to move to Colchester. In 1933, the battalion moved from Colchester to Glasgow, where it remained until September 1937 when it was sent to Palestine. The battalion was still based in the Middle East at the outbreak of war, seeing active service in Crete, Syria, Tobruk and then later in Burma with the Chindits.
4. A Regular Army battalion was stationed at Edinburgh Castle for ceremonial and guard duties. It arrived in 1926, leaving in the latter part of 1930 to move to Aldershot. In 1935 it moved to Palestine, from where it travelled onto Egypt in 1936 and then to India in 1938. The battalion gained fame serving with the 4th Indian Infantry Division in Egypt, Libya and Abyssinia.
5. The headquarters of the fixed defences were in Leith.
6. The detachment of the Survey Battalion was stationed in Edinburgh, with the fortress company stationed in North Queensferry.
7. The Scottish Command Signals were based in Edinburgh alongside command headquarters. The artillery signal section was also stationed in Edinburgh.
8. The units of the Royal Army Service Corps were stationed at Edinburgh.
9. The company of the Royal Army Medical Corps was based at Edinburgh.
10. The section of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps was stationed at Stirling.
11. The detachments of the Royal Army Pay Corps were based as their titles suggest.