# 1<sup>st</sup> Division (1)

Headquarters, 1<sup>st</sup> Division

1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Brigade (Guards) (2)

Headquarters, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Brigade (Guards) & Signal Section

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. Grenadier Guards 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. Coldstream Guards 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment) 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Cheshire Regiment

2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade (3)

Headquarters, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The East Yorkshire Regiment (The Duke of York's Own)
2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Royal Berkshire Regiment (Princess Charlotte of Wales's)
2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The King's Shropshire Light Infantry

3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade (4)

Headquarters, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The King's Own Scottish Borderers

1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Border Regiment

**Divisional Troops** 

Headquarters, 1<sup>st</sup> Divisional Royal Artillery

VI Field Brigade, Royal Artillery (5)

(H.Q., 69<sup>th</sup>, 74<sup>th</sup>, 77<sup>th</sup> & 79<sup>th</sup> Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

VII Field Brigade, Royal Artillery (6)

(H.Q., 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 43<sup>rd</sup> (Howitzer) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

XI Field Brigade, Royal Artillery (7)

(H.Q., 78<sup>th</sup> (Howitzer), 83<sup>rd</sup>, 84<sup>th</sup> & 85<sup>th</sup> Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

V Light Brigade, Royal Artillery (8)

(H.Q., 1<sup>st</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Light Batteries, Royal Artillery)

1<sup>st</sup> Divisional Royal Engineers

6<sup>th</sup> (Field Park) Company, Royal Engineers (9) + (10)

- 12<sup>th</sup> (Field) Company, Royal Engineers (9)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> (Field) Company, Royal Engineers (9)
- 24<sup>th</sup> (Field) Company, Royal Engineers (9)

1<sup>st</sup> Divisional Signals, Royal Corps of Signals (11)

## NOTES:

- 1. This Regular Army field division was based in Aldershot as part of Aldershot Command. The 1<sup>st</sup> Division dated from 1809 and the raising of a division for service in the Peninsular War. After the Great War, the division formed part of the spearhead corps for deployment to meet the strategic needs of the UK across the empire. The establishment of the division was consistent with the infantry division establishment following a review of the experiences of the Great War. There were three infantry brigades, each comprising four infantry battalions. British Army formations usually enjoyed a generous provision of artillery, which was reflected in tactical doctrine. The 1<sup>st</sup> Division had three field brigades (one for each infantry brigade), each consisting of a headquarters battery and four field batteries. There was also one light artillery brigade allocated to the division. The division had three Royal Engineers field companies, again one per brigade, plus a field park company which had been added as a result of the experience of the Great War. The divisional signals were now provided by the Royal Corps of Signals, which had been formed on 28 June 1920.
- 2. This brigade and all its constituent battalions were based in Aldershot. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Grenadier Guards were stationed at Barossa Barracks and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coldstream Guards were based at Albuhera Barracks. The 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. Green Howards were based at Maida Barracks and the Cheshires at Corunna Barracks. These barracks were all located in Stanhope Lines, South Camp, Aldershot.
- 3. This brigade and all its constituent battalions were based in Aldershot. The 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. Royal Scots were based at Talavera Barracks, the 2<sup>nd</sup> East Yorkshires at Mandora Barracks, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Berkshires at Salamanca Barracks, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> K.S.L.I. at Badajos Barracks. Salamanca, Badajos and Talavera Barracks were all located in the Wellington Lines, which was the original permanent barracks built between 1856 and 1859. Mandora Barracks were in the Stanhope Lines, South Camp, Aldershot.
- 4. This brigade and all its constituent battalions were based in Bordon, a village to the south of Alton in Hampshire. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Beds and Herts were located at Quebec Barracks, the 1<sup>st</sup> Royal Scots Fusiliers were at Martinique Barracks, the 1<sup>st</sup> K.O.S.B. were based at St. Lucia Barracks and the 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Border Regiment were based at Guadaloupe Barracks
- 5. A Regular Army field artillery brigade, this unit was based at Louisburg Barracks, Bordon, Hampshire.
- 6. Another Regular Army field artillery brigade, this unit was also based at Louisburg Barracks, Bordon, Hampshire.
- 7. This Regular Army field artillery brigade was based in Waterloo Barracks (East Artillery Barracks), Wellington Lines, Aldershot.
- 8. This Regular Army light artillery brigade was based at Leipzig Barracks, Ewshott.
- 9. The four Royal Engineer companies were all based at Gibraltar Barracks, Aldershot.
- 10. The lineage of this company dates back to 1811 and the formation of the 6<sup>th</sup> Company at Cadiz for service in the Peninsula War. In 1886, it was designated as a fortress company, and as such saw service in the Great War. In 1923, the company was disbanded in Belfast. The official history of the Royal Engineers state this company was reformed in 1934 as a field park company, under command of the 1<sup>st</sup> Division. The company, however, is shown on the 1930 Army List as a field park company
- 11. The divisional signals were based at Aldershot.

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