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BATTALION ORDERS

BY

MAJOR I. L. IBBOTSON, E. D.  
COMMANDING, 1ST BN. THE BLACK WATCH (RHR) OF CANADA

PART 1

No. 39  
2 Apr 41.

1. DUTIES

(a) Duty Officer

Part 1 Order No. 38, dated 31 Mar 41, sub para. 3a, cancel detail of Officers on 5-6-7-Apr 41.

(b) The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Duty Officer on the dates stated:

2 Apr 41	-	Lieut. D. Cowans Jr.
3 Apr 41	-	Lieut. A. G. Stevenson
4 Apr 41	-	Lieut. F. P. Griffin
5 Apr 41	-	Lieut. J. W. Buchanan
6 Apr 41	-	Lieut. J. G. Bourne
7 Apr 41	-	Lieut. A. L. McLaurin
8 Apr 41	-	Lieut. G. C. Fraser

(c) ORDERLY OFFICER

Part 1 Order No. 38, dated 31 Mar 41, sub para. 3b, cancel detail of Officers on 5-6-7-Apr 41.

(d) The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Orderly Officer on the dates stated:

2 Apr 41	-	Lieut. F. P. Griffin
3 Apr 41	-	Lieut. A. L. McLaurin
4 Apr 41	-	Lieut. J. R. Popham
5 Apr 41	-	Lieut. D. H. Taylor
6 Apr 41	-	Lieut. R. G. Slater
7 Apr 41	-	Lieut. R. B. Somerville
8 Apr 41	-	Lieut. A. G. Stevenson

2. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President for the purpose of inquiring into, determining the responsibility for, the extent of damage and reporting upon the accident involving W.D. Vehicle GZ 4206211 driven by D-81672 Pte. Spattz G., 1 R.H.C.;

President: Major J. B. Weir

Members: Lieut. E. Motzfeldt  
Lieut. A. L. McLaurin

Proceedings in quadruplicate will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

3. COMMAND RECREATION GROUNDS

Considerable damage is being caused to the various Recreation Grounds in the Command, not only by formed bodies of troops being marched across them, but also by individuals taking short cuts.

In the existing state of ground it is particularly necessary to avoid constant trampling down of the turf.

Accordingly, no part of the Recreation Grounds will, for the present, be used for training parades involving the passage of formed bodies of troops or by individuals for the purpose of taking short cuts.

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4. RECREATION GROUNDS (B.O. #298 dated 20 Jan 41)

Recreation grounds only be used for the following forms of training, subject to the conditions detailed below:

- (a) Physical Training-  
Rubber soled shoes will invariably be worn. The shot, hammer, discus and javelin will be used only in those areas allotted for such purposes.
- (b) Signalling-  
For sending and receiving messages only; flag drill is not allowed on the grounds. On no account will parties be marched across the playing pitches.
- (c) Weapon Training-  
Exercises such as aiming drill, and any which do not involve massed movements or individual doubling across the ground in service boots will be permitted. Targets when used in conjunction with the exercises, will be erected on tripods or trestles. Setting of targets in the ground, or "leaning them against goal posts is forbidden.
- (d) General Regulations-
  - (I) The ground must be dry and in a fit state to withstand the proposed exercises.
  - (II) The same section of the ground will not be used on two consecutive occasions.
  - (III) Grounds showing signs of wear, or placed out-of-play for the games will not be used.
  - (IV) Grounds will not be used for exercises when games are in progress.
- (e) No departure from the above orders is permitted without prior sanction of the Command H. Q. It is, however, recognized that in the present circumstances it may be necessary on occasions to use Recreation Grounds for all forms of training, but as these grounds will be required for the recreation of troops, sanction will not be given if other suitable training areas are available.

5. BOUNDS

The Armourer's Shop is OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks.

6. PAY BOOKS - Entries in

1. It has come to notice that Coy Clerks are not posting Pay Books in accordance with Part II Orders.
2. This covers casualties, such as, Landing Leave, Privilege Leave, Courses, etc.
3. Coy Commanders will ensure that all entries are kept up to date.

7. PURCHASE OF FOODSTUFFS FROM CIVILIAN SOURCES BY TROOPS

1. Cases have been reported where convoys of troops have halted in a village for a short period and men have been allowed to fall out and have bought the whole of the supplies in the shops, which has resulted in civilian residents being unable to make purchases owing to the shops being cleared.
2. Action such as this causes great hardship, especially in view of the fact that troops can purchase their requirements from the N.A.A.F.I.
3. Unit Commanders are directed to ensure that troops, when falling out from the line of march, or during training, are absolutely forbidden to make local purchases of food.  
(D.R.O. 384/41)

*G. M. Mitchell*  
Capt-Adj. G.  
I. R. H. C.

W. J. Day

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PART 1

No. 40  
3 April, 1941.

1. DIVINE SERVICES - SUNDAY, 6 April, 1941

PROTESTANT

All ranks of Protestant Denomination will parade at 0900 hours Sunday, 6 April, 1941, for the purpose of attending Service in St. Andrew's Garrison Church, Queen's Avenue, at 0930 hours.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

All ranks of Roman Catholic Faith will parade at 0900 hours Sunday, 6 April, 1941, for the purpose of attending Service in St. Michael's Church, Stanhope Lines at 0930 hours.

Parade States will be rendered to Bn. Orderly Room by 1000 hours.

2. LEAVE - EASTER (D.R.O. 405, d/2 Apr. 41)

1. During the Easter period there will be no outward or inward privilege leave traffic on the 11 to 14 Apr. 41, both dates inclusive, and in consequence no outward privilege leave traffic will be despatched between the dates 4 to 7 Apr. 41, both dates inclusive. A compensatory increase of leave traffic above the normal daily  $1\frac{1}{2}$  % for the period 8 to 10 Apr. 41, cannot be approved.

2. Leave on short pass, provided this does not exceed  $2\frac{1}{2}$  % of the strength, will be open over the Easter period. Personnel absent from their stations after duty will be required to be in possession of a pass at all times when proceeding to destinations outside the station area.

3. CONCEALMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASE (D.R.O. 400)

1. In every unit there shall be an order directing that a soldier who is suffering from venereal disease is to report himself sick without delay. This order will be brought to the attention of all personnel of the unit at intervals not exceeding three months, care being taken that it is specially brought to the notice of all reinforcements on joining. Concealment of venereal disease will be dealt with under Section 11 of the Army Act, and not under Section 18 (3) or 40.

4. RESTRICTIONS IN THE SALE OF FOODSTUFFS, etc. IN CANTEENS (D.R.O. 401)

1. Canteens operated by N.A.A.F.I. will not sell any nature of food-stuffs (including chocolates and sweets) during a period of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours preceding, and 2 hours following, the beginning of the usual hour of the main meal of the day. These limitations of hours will not apply to the sale of liquid refreshments or tobacco.

5. ILLEGAL SALE OF GIFTS FROM CANADA (5 Bde. Order # 308)

The British Government agreed to allow gifts for the Canadian Army to enter the United Kingdom, free of duty, on the distinct understanding that these gifts were for personal use and not for re-sale.

The number of cases of re-sale of gifts, particularly cigarettes and tobacco, are increasing to such an extent that the British Treasury have made representations that unless the practice is discontinued, they may have to reconsider their decision regarding duty free entry.

The effect of a decision of this nature is obvious and Officers Commanding will take immediate steps to call to the attention of all ranks the fact that they are liable to lose this privilege which is now enjoyed through courtesy of the Government of the United Kingdom, and to see that appropriate disciplinary action is taken immediately any cases are reported or come to their notice.

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6. REPORTING OF CRASHED AIRCRAFT ( Bde Order #311 dated 2 Apr 41 )

It is pointed out that no one of whatever service or rank is to approach a crashed enemy aircraft with the following tow exceptions:-

- (1) The R.A.F. Salvage Officer for the district in which the aircraft has crashed.
- (2) The R.A.F. Intelligence Officer for the district in which the aircraft has crashed. Both of these two Officers are known personally to the local police and have special passes.

A.R.F. Officials (I.A.D.) who are responsible for the reporting of damage or casualties should therefore report to one of the officers referred to above before they approach the enemy aircraft. It may happen that the A.R.F. Officials (I.A.D.) will arrive on the scene before either of the R.A.F. Officers and he may find civilian casualties or British airmen needing help. In such cases he must use his own judgement as to how he will act, always bearing in mind that the spirit of the Air Ministry's instructions should be carried out i.e. that no one of whatever rank or service is to approach or touch any part of a crashed enemy aircraft unless authorized to do so by one of the R.A.F. Officers referred to above.

The location of crashed enemy aircraft in the vicinity of barracks of quartering will be reported to these H.Q. by telephone as soon as possible.

*W. J. H. H. H.* Capt. Adjt.  
 For Officer Commanding,  
 1st Bn The Black Watch (RHR)  
 of Canada, Overseas.

NOTICESCANADIAN CORPS SOCCER FINALS.

1. The R.H.C., 5 Cdn Inf Bde. defeated the Machine Gun Holding Unit C.B.U. in the semi-finals on Saturday 29 March Score 2 - 1.
2. On Saturday 5th April the R.H.C. will meet the 1 Cdn. Div. Amn. Coy. to decide the Corps Championship.
3. The game will be played at the Command Athletic Ground commencing at 1500 hrs.
4. As this is the first time the 1 Cdn. Div. and 2 Cdn Div have met in a competitive sport a good turn out is expected.
5. Units will parade to the ground in organized groups.

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PART 1

No. 41  
7 April, 1941

1. DUTIES

(a) DUTY OFFICERS

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Duty Officer on the dates stated:-

9 April, 1941 - Lieut. J.R. Popham  
10 April, 1941 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone  
11 April, 1941 - Lieut. C.L. Stuart  
12 April, 1941 - Capt. B.R. Ritchie  
13 April, 1941 - Capt. J.W. Knox  
14 April, 1941 - Lieut. W.A. Wood  
15 April, 1941 - Lieut. J.G. Bourne

(b) ORDERLY OFFICER

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Orderly Officer on the dates stated:

9 April, 1941 - Lieut. F.P. Griffin  
10 April, 1941 - Lieut. D. Cowans  
11 April, 1941 - Lieut. J.W. Buchanan  
12 April, 1941 - Lieut. G.C. Fraser  
13 April, 1941 - Lieut. A.L. MacLaurin  
14 April, 1941 - Lieut. J.R. Popham  
15 April, 1941 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone

(c) COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President for the purpose of inquiring into, determining the responsibility for, and reporting upon the loss of 4 Bren spare parts wallets on charge to 'A' Coy. (2) and 'HQ' Coy. (2) 1 RHC:

PRESIDENT: Capt. J.W. Knox  
MEMBERS: Lieut. G.C. Fraser  
Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone

Proceedings, in quadruplicate, will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

2. DUTY UNIT

The Bn. is Bde. Duty Unit commencing 1800 hours 6 April, 1941.

3. PASSES - LATE AND LEAVE

Personnel will turn all late and leave passes into the Guard Room as soon as they arrive in the barrack area.

4. BARRACK AREAS

Areas occupied by Coys. of this unit are not being kept sufficiently tidy. A thorough check up of barrack areas must be made forthwith and necessary steps taken to ensure that in the future all premises and surrounding grounds occupied by this unit are exemplary in their cleanliness.

5. OUT OF BOUNDS (5 Bde. Order # 273 d/25 Mar. 41)

The following premises are placed out-of-bounds to all ranks:

- (i) Fox & Hounds Public House - West Croydon  
(ii) Golden Lion Hotel - Caterham, Surrey.

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6. EVACUATED PERSONNEL - DISPOSAL OF KIT (5 Bde. Order # 275 d/25 Mar. 41)

Officers Commanding Coys. will ensure that personnel evacuated to Base Units or to Hospital proceed with full issue of arms, equipment and clothing.

If for any reason the kit of personnel proceeding to hospital cannot be sent with them, as in the case of deceased personnel, the arms, clothing and equipment will be forwarded to the Canadian Group Field Stores, Aldershot.

The practice of retaining evacuated men's kits with operational Units will cease.

7. LEAVE - JEWISH FAITH (5 Bde. Order # 267 d/25 Mar. 41)

1. The Sacred Jewish Festival of the Passover commences at Sunset 11 April, 41, and terminates at nightfall, 19 Apr. 41.

2. Provided the exigencies of the Service permit, leave within normal limits to attend the Festival in question may be granted at the discretion of C.O's. but it is not intended that officers and soldiers of the Jewish Faith should be granted privilege leave out of their turn where this would involve railway travel, non-availability for duty at short notice or inferior displacement of others from their position on unit leave rosters.

3. There is no objection to voluntary individual exchange to enable a high proportion of officers and soldiers of the above faith within the admissible percentage to proceed on privilege leave for the normal period over the time covered by the above Sacred Festival.

4. Any extensions beyond the normal leave period of seven days will continue to count against unit percentage of absence of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per cent and should be avoided as far as possible.

8. ACCOMMODATION STORES (5 Bde. Order # 270 d/25 Mar. 41)

The following instructions are published as a consequence of various units receiving priced vouchers for accommodation and barrack stores:

1. The War Office has been requested to cancel all charges that have been made on priced issue vouchers in connection with barrack stores.

2. In accordance with War Office instructions, barrack stores and services with the exception of fuel and light are to be provided by the British authorities.

3. Barrack and accommodation stores will be provided by the O i/c Barracks or the R.E. as the case may be, and will be vouchered off to the unit concerned upon marching into barracks or other accommodation. The unit will then become responsible for the care of such stores and the necessary ledgers etc. will be opened. Replacements of stores that become necessary owing to unfair wear and tear, will be a charge against the unit or units concerned.

4. When a unit leaves its accommodation, the store, with exception of those named from time to time in Orders, will be vouchered off to either the O. i/c Barracks if there is no incoming unit, or to the incoming unit. The proper march-out and march-in inspection will be held.

5. Units will be held responsible for all damages incurred, fair wear and tear excepted, and for all deficiencies.

6. Regulations covering the issue, replacement or withdrawal of stores will apply at all times.

9. ROUNTON ROAD, CROOKHAM (TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS) (5 Bde. O. 329 d/5 Apr. 41)

Owing to repair work, Rounton Road, Crookham (257717 to 257724) will be closed to all vehicular traffic from 2 Apr. to 8 Apr. 41 incl.

10. ROAD ACCIDENT REPORTS (5 Bde. O. 326 d/5 Apr. 41)

1. Coys. will report to Bn. Orderly Room immediately any Road Accident takes place. This report will state number, rank and name of driver, unit to which vehicle belongs and type and number of vehicle.

2. A.F.A. 3676 will then be completed and the case dealt with and forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

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11. SECURITY (CARELESS TALK) (5 Bde. O. # 325 d/5 Apr. 41)

Constant reports are being received of careless talk by soldiers when travelling and it has been particularly reported that much information is volunteered to motorists in casual conversation when giving men lifts in their cars.

All ranks are again warned against talking about military matters and are specially cautioned against doing so when accepting lifts in cars.

12. TRAFFIC DISCIPLINE (5 Bde. O. # 330, d/5 Apr. 1941)

1. The attention of all Commanding Officers is drawn to pamphlet No. 6 'Mechanized Movement by Road 1939' with particular reference to sections 10 and 11.

2. It is particularly important by night and day,

(a) that vehicles maintain intervals which have been ordered, when checked or at the halt.

(b) that at the halt, on the line of march, traffic sentries are placed at the head and tail of packets or if not moving in packets, that traffic sentries are posted for every such vehicles in the column.

(c) that broken down vehicles or those stopped for reasons not affecting the rest of the column, are cleared off the line of march or if this cannot be done, that the proper pass sign is displayed with the driver or spare driver acting as traffic sentry.

3. Whenever vehicles are in harbour or parked, every effort will be made to take advantage of natural cover. In this connection the fullest use is to be made of the camouflage nets supplied.

4. This order will be read to all ranks on three consecutive days after which any breach of the order will be dealt with by disciplinary action.

5. Coy. Comds. will read this order to personnel of their Coys.

13. CARRYING OF RESPIRATORS, ANTI-GAS, AND STEEL HELMETS (5 Bde. O. 331)

1. As there is still considerable variation with regard to this matter, orders affecting the wearing of the respirator, anti-gas and the steel helmet are recapitulated.

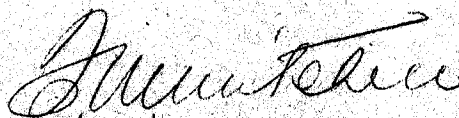
2. The respirator, unless being worn at the alert position, will be carried by all ranks when walking out directly slung over the back and the sling over the right shoulder, the haversack at the left side, the flap covering the face-piece inwards.

3. The steel helmet will be carried by all troops walking out on the respirator and will not be carried in any other position unless the respirator is worn at the alert position, when the steel helmet will be worn.

4. Steel helmets and respirators will be carried by officers and other ranks on all occasions when on parade, wearing equipment, or whenever they are not in the vicinity of their quarters or place of duty.

14. AMENDMENT

The Court of Inquiry convened in Part 1 Order # 36, dated 24 March, 1941, sub para. 4, is cancelled.



Capt. Adj. t.  
for Officer Commanding 1 RHQ

BATTALION ORDERS

BY

MAJOR I. L. IBBOTSON, E.D.,  
COMMANDING, 1ST BN THE BLACK WATCH (RHR) OF CANADA,

No. 42

9 April 1941.

PART I

1. RESPIRATORS - WEARING OF

Respirators will be worn by all ranks from 0930 hrs to 1010 hrs daily.

If for specific training purposes this cannot be carried out, respirators will be worn from 1015 hrs to 1100 hrs.

2. LIGHTING (RESTRICTIONS) ORDER (Bde Order #337 dated 7 Apr 41)

The following letter by the Regional Commander is republished for the information of all concerned.

1. The Regional Commissioner desires to draw the urgent attention of Chief Constables to the numbers of bombing incidents leading to loss of life and damage to property which have recently occurred in the Region in such circumstances and places that they can only be explained by the assumption that inadequately screened lights have been visible from the air. There have, indeed, been numerous complaints of imperfect black-out arrangements and strict enforcement of the Lighting (Restrictions) Order, 1940 is imperative.

2. In a number of cases enquiries have shown that lights have been exposed in billets or in premises which have been requisitioned by the Military Authorities. The attention of senior military officers in the Region has been drawn to these breaches of the order and they have been asked to take disciplinary action to enforce its observance. It is hoped that this will have the effect of reducing the number of such offences to a minimum.

3. The Police have in the past not unnaturally preferred that such cases should be dealt with as matters of military discipline and, in some instances, at least, have felt uncertain of their own powers in the matter. The commissioner wishes to make it clear that soldiers do not in general enjoy any special immunity from the Lighting (Restrictions) Order, and in order that the Police may be fully informed of the legal position he desires that their attention be drawn to the following paragraphs.

4. The Commissioner is advised that if any light is displayed inside a building by any member of His Majesty's Forces in such circumstances that it is visible from outside an offence is committed under Article I and 52(4) of the Order, unless the member of the forces concerned is, in displaying the light, acting in the course of his military duty. It is rarely the duty of a soldier to display lights in such a way that they are visible from outside.

5. Where lights are displayed from a house in civilian occupation in which soldiers are billeted, whilst the occupier is liable to prosecution under Regulation 24 (2B) of the Defence (General Regulations, 1939, proceedings may also be taken under Article 52 (4) of the Order against any person who has caused or permitted the lights to be displayed. A soldier is in exactly the same position as a civilian in this matter and where lights are displayed from a room occupied by soldiers, proceedings, if necessary, should ordinarily be against the senior soldier present in the room, rather than against the occupier of the house. Where warnings do not appear to be effective the Police should not hesitate to prosecute. There is a right of entry under Defence Regulation 24 (2), and of arrest without warrant on suspicion under Defence Regulation 88 (c).

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2. LIGHTING (RESTRICTIONS) ORDERS (CONT'D)

6. Where lights are displayed from premises requisitioned or otherwise occupied by the Military there is no possibility of prosecuting the occupier since legal occupation is in the crown. The person causing the light to be displayed, is, however, equally liable to prosecution for this as for other breach of the criminal law. So also is any person who permits lights to be displayed. Although some degree of guilty knowledge is an element of this latter offence it has been held that to permit may mean no more than to fail to take proper steps to prevent and if a person in a position to forbid the act complained of fails so to do with knowledge that in the absence of orders by him the act would or might be committed, it would be open to the Court to convict. In some circumstances, therefore, proceedings against an officer in charge of premises might be justifiable although it is hoped that in general officers who have failed to secure proper blackout in premises under their charge will on having their attention called to the matter at once take effective steps to remedy it.

7. Police Officers, should, therefore, on seeing lights displayed from premises occupied by the Military request to see the officer in charge and ask for information as to the name and description of the person in charge of the room from which the light was seen, at the same time asking that the light should at once be extinguished or concealed. If a polite approach in this manner does not meet with satisfactory results or if the offence is repeated, an immediate report should be made in order that the circumstances can be considered for prosecution, and where it appears that the breach of the Order is the result of failure on the part of the officer in charge to ensure that proper precautions are taken, proceedings against that officer will be appropriate.

8. In towns where there are Military Police the Commissioner suggests that the Civil Police should enlist their co-operation in securing observance of the Order and where possible a member of the provost staff should accompany the police where difficulty is experienced.

9. In conclusion the Commissioner desires to emphasize that in this vital matter, whatever steps are necessary must be taken to obviate loss of life and damage to property.

3. RETREAT

Retreat will be sounded at 1830 hrs. effective forthwith.

4. GOOD FRIDAY - 11 APR 41. (D.R.O. 427 dated 8 Apr 41)

1. O.C's., of Formations and Units will ensure that all personnel under their command who wish to attend voluntary Divine Service of their respective denominations, may do so on this day.

2. Training and other duties will however, be carried on as usual.

5. TRAINING SIGNALS

1. It has come to notice that motor convoys and columns of troops are disregarding traffic lights. This procedure is most dangerous apart from being contrary to the law.

2. All concerned will comply with these signals at all times except in the case of urgent operational necessity, when measures will be taken to warn opposing traffic.

*A. MacArthur*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lieut.  
 for Officer Commanding,  
 1st Bn The Black Watch (RHR)  
 of Canada, Overseas

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PART I

No. 43  
12 Apr 41

1. DUTIES - INVENTORY BOARD

The undermentioned Officers and N.C.Os. are detailed for duty for the purpose of checking and reporting upon inventory of Barrack Stores and Barrack Damages: Work to commence at 0900 hrs. Monday, April 14th.

PRESIDENT: Lieut. F.P. Griffin,  
MEMBERS: Lieut. C.L. Stuart,  
D-81081 Sgt. Foam, A.G.  
D-81359 Cpl. Sherlock, J.E.

2. DIVINE SERVICES

(A) PROTESTANT

All ranks of Protestant Denomination will parade at 0900 hrs, Sunday April 13 for the purpose of attending the following services:

C. of E. - St. George's Garrison Church.  
Other Denom. - St. Andrew's Garrison Church

(B) ROMAN CATHOLICS

All ranks of Roman Catholic Faith will parade at 0900 hours, Sunday 13 April 1941 for the purpos of attending Service in At. Michael's Church, Stanhope Lines at 0930 hours.

Parade States will be rendered to Bn Orderly Room by 1000 hrs.

3. HANDLING OF EXPLOSIVES (5 Bde Order #344 dated 10 Apr 41)

1. The attention of all ranks will be drawn to the fact that unauthorized expirments or tampering with any explosives (including bombs and mines, whether British or Foreign) is forbidden.
2. Should it be necessary to deal with such explosives an immediate report will be made through the usual channels in order that qualified experts may be sent.

4. BARRACK DAMAGES

Irregular use is being made of articles of barrack furniture by Coy. personnel.

- (a) Basins Steel Tinned and pudding basins being used for oil and also for heating water for shaving.
- (b) Fire buckets being used for unauthorized purposes..

These irregular practices must cease immediately and individuals will be held liable for any assessments which may be made as result of these practices.

5. BDE. DUTY OFFICER (TRANSPORT)

The following Officers are detailed for duty as Bde. Duty Officer (Transport) on the dates stated:-

12 Apr. 1941 - Lieut. W.A. Wood  
13 Apr. 1941 - Lieut. J.G. Bourne

*J.M. Mitchell* Capt. Adjt.  
for Officer Commanding, 1 RHC

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No. 44  
14 Apr. 41.

PART 1

1. DUTIES

Duty Officer

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Duty Officer on the dates stated:-

16 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. J.W. Buchanan
17 Apr. 41	-	Rear Party
18 Apr. 41	-	" "
19 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. D.H. Taylor
20 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. R.G. Slater
21 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. R.B. Somerville
22 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. A.P. Boswell

Orderly Officer

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Orderly Officer on the dates stated:-

16 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. C.L. Stuart
17 Apr. 41	-	Rear Party
18 Apr. 41	-	" "
19 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. T.D. Anyon
20 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. J. Duchastel
21 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. D.H. Taylor
22 Apr. 41	-	Lieut. J.G. Bourne

2. APPOINTMENT

Lieut. W.A. Wood is appointed Second-in-Command of 'B' Coy. effective from 11 March, 1941.

3. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President, for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon injuries sustained by No. D-81707 Pte. Abbott, R., 1 RHC, and responsibility for accident which occurred night of 14 April, 1941, involving W.D. Vehicle No. GZ420510, driven by A-17280 Gunner Dunn, L.A. 4th Field Regt. R.C.A., 2 Odn. Div.:-

PRESIDENT: Major H.M. Jaquays

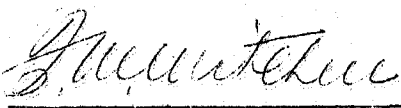
MEMBERS: Lieut. W.A. Wood  
Lieut. T.D. Anyon

Proceedings, in quadruplicate, will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

4. DISCIPLINE

Lieut. J.W. Buchanan is vested with powers of Detachment Commander, K.R.O. for Can. Para. 475, while acting as O.C. Rear Party 16 - 19 April, 1941.

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Capt. Adjt.  
for Officer Commanding, 1 RHC

*Br. A. G. W. J. J.*

BATTALION ORDERS

BY

LIEUTENANT COLONEL K.G. BLACKADER, M.C., E.D.,  
COMMANDING, 1ST BN THE BLACK WATCH (RHR) OF CANADA, OVERSEAS.

No. 45.  
21 Apr 41.

PART I

1. COMMAND

Brigadier G.V. Whitehead, V.D., assumed command of 5 Cdn Inf Bde. with effect 15 Apr 41.

Lt.-Col. K.G. Blackader, M.C., E.D., R.H.C. relinquished acting command of 5 Cdn Inf Bde., and assumed command of 1 R.H.C. with effect 15 Apr 41.

Major I.L. Ibbotson, E.D. relinquished acting command of 1 R.H.C. with effect 15 Apr. 41.

2. DUTIES

Duty Officer

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Duty Officer on the dates stated:-

- 21 Apr 41 - Lieut. A.P. Boswell
- 22 Apr 41 - Lieut. D. Cowans,
- 23 Apr 41 - Lieut. G.C. Fraser,
- 24 Apr 41 - Lieut. A.L. MacLaurin,
- 25 Apr 41 - Lieut. J.R. Popham,
- 26 Apr 41 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone,
- 27 Apr 41 - Lieut. T.D. Anyon,
- 28 Apr 41 - Lieut. J. Duchastel,
- 29 Apr 41 - **Capt.** B.R. Ritchie,

Orderly Officer

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Orderly Officer on the dates stated:-

Supernumary

- 21 Apr 41 - Lieut. J.G. Bourne,
- 22 Apr 41 - Lieut. R.G. Slater, Lieut. V.E. Traversy
- 23 Apr 41 - Lieut. A.P. Boswell, Lieut. E.R. Bennett,
- 24 Apr 41 - Lieut. D. Cowans, Lieut. J.B. Coulson,
- 25 Apr 41 - Lieut. G.C. Fraser, Lieut. J.P.G. Kemp,
- 26 Apr 41 - Lieut. A.L. MacLaurin,
- 27 Apr 41 - Lieut. J.R. Popham,
- 28 Apr 41 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone,
- 29 Apr 41 - Lieut. T.D. Anyon,

3. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President, for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the loss of equipment on charge to D-81344 CQMS Price, C.E. and D-81346 L/Cpl. Leclair, M. of the 1st Bn The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada, Overseas.

PRESIDENT: Capt. B.R. Ritchie

MEMBERS: Lieut. J.G. Bourne  
Lieut. G.C. Fraser

Proceedings, in quadruplicate, will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

4. DISCIPLINE

Smoking is forbidden whilst driving a Canadian Government vehicle or riding a motor cycle or bicycle belonging to the Canadian Government.

(P.T.O.)

5. UNIT MESSING COMMITTEE

The Unit Messing Committee will hold weekly meetings in the future, to discuss the problem arising from the men's messing within the battalion and to improve the standard of such. The representatives of each Coy. are for the time being as follows:-

Bn. H.Q.	L/Cpl. Treacy, J.J.
H.Q. Coy.	Pte. McConvey, T.
"A"	Cpl. Gardner, S.S.
"B"	Cpl. McCann, J.J.
"C"	Pte. Herd, W.R.
"D"	Cpl. Law, R.H.

It would greatly facilitate the work of this committee if the men would put forward through their representative, any idea or suggestion to improve present conditions.

*M. Mitchell* Capt: Adjt.  
for Officer Commanding,  
1st Bn The Black Watch (RHR)  
of Canada, Overseas.

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BATTALION ORDERS  
BY

LIEUTENANT COLONEL K. G. BLACKADER, M.C., E.D.  
COMMANDING, 1ST BN. THE BLACK WATCH (RHR) OF CANADA, OVERSEAS

PART 1

NO. 46  
23 Apr 41.

1. COURTS OF INQUIRY

- (a) A Court of Inquiry, will assemble at the call of the president, composed as hereunder, for the purpose of inquiring into, reporting upon and determining responsibility for loss of equipment on charge to D-81243 L/Cpl. Willoughby J., of the 1st Bn. The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada (Overseas).

PRESIDENT: Major J. C. Routledge, E.D.

MEMBERS: Lieut. R. G. Slater  
Lieut. J. R. Popham

Proceedings, in quadruplicate, will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

- (b) The Court of Inquiry detailed in Part 1 Orders No. 45, dated 21 Apr, sub para 3, is amended as follows:-

ADD "D-81333 Sgt. Kelly J."

2. AUDIT BOARD

A Board of Audit, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President for the purpose of carrying out an audit of all Regtl. accounts as at 30 Apr 41.

PRESIDENT: Major S. D. Cantlie

MEMBERS: Capt. B. R. Ritchie  
Lieut. J. R. Popham  
Lieut. C. M. G. Johnstone

Attention is directed to D.R.O. 64, 168, 243 of 1940.

For information regarding procedure Lieut. J. G. Bourne, Audit Board Officer, should be consulted.

NOTE: The following accounts will be made up and ready for audit, Regimental Fund, Canteen Fund, Officers' Mess, Sergeants' Mess, Corporals' Mess and N.A.A.F.I. Messing account. A complete statement will be turned into the Paymaster by 1200 hours 6 May 1941. All personnel responsible for the making up of these accounts and statements will ensure that this is done by this date.

The Audit Board will be completed and turned into the En. Orderly Room on this date, in any event not later than the 10th of the month.

3. LEAVE TO LONDON (D.R.O. 466, dated 18 Apr 41)

By reason of damage to hotels in the London Area, all 48 hours leave to London area is cancelled until 1 May 41, except where Commanding Officers are personally satisfied that the applicant does not intend using that type of accommodation.

4. DISPERSAL OF TRANSPORT OUT OF ALDERSHOT

Duty Officer will submit daily a report showing times of visits and general conditions of piquets-guards-accommodation-food-etc.

5. DAMAGE BY MILITARY VEHICLES (D.R.O. 467, dated 18 Apr 41)

1. Attention is directed to the amount of wanton damage which is continually occurring to roads, paths, verges and road signs due to carelessness and bad driving.
2. Units will make every endeavour to avoid causing such damage: in particular, drivers of vehicles which are required to turn off the road will, whenever possible, make use of entrances and crossings which have been constructed from the roadway on to the adjoining land.

6. PURCHASE OF FOOD AND TOBACCO (Villages)

A case has occurred of a bus convoy of troops halting in a small village, the troops being allowed to fall out. In a short time they had bought up the entire amount of cigarettes, sweets, chocolate, meat pies and biscuits in the village. These articles were the weekly supplies for the inhabitants of the village and the purchase of them by troops inflicted a hardship on the civilians, whose foodstuffs are strictly rationed.

The Commanding Officer has issued strict orders to the effect that any occurrence of an incident of this kind will be dealt with severely.

7. PREVENTIVE MEASURES - SCABIES AND PEDICULOSIS (D.R.O. 399, d/2 Apr 41)

1. Attention is directed to the following extract from Notes on Hygiene and Sanitation of Barracks, page 14 -

"It is of the greatest importance that each man should have a bath at least once a week. A Platoon or Company bath book should be maintained and inspected regularly by the Medical Officer."

2. The Divisional Commander insists that the incidence of Scabies and Pediculosis be lowered and directs that formation and Commanding Officers will cause Bath Books to be inspected at least weekly by the Medical Officer to ensure that each man has a bath not less than once a week. The A.D.M.S., 2 Cdn.Div., will obtain from Medical Officers periodical reports where the incidence of Scabies and Pediculosis indicates that personnel are not bathing regularly.

8. DIVISIONAL SPORTS

1. Bde Gp. representative - Major H. M. Jaquays.
2. Unit Gp. - Chairman: Major H. M. Jaquays  
Softball: Capt. B. R. Ritchie  
Soccer: Lieut. A. P. Boswell  
Track & Field: Capt. E. H. Anderson  
Quoits: Lieut. G. C. Fraser  
Cross Country: Lieut. J. W. Buchanan  
Boxing: Lieut. T. D. Anyon  
Volleyball & Basketball: Lieut. G. M. G. Johnstone  
Secretary: H/Capt. H. Johnson, S.A.

9. MUSTER PARADE

A B n. Muster Parade, by Companies, will be held on Saturday, 26 April, 1941,

Nominal Rolls, in quadruplicate, will be forwarded to Bn. Orderly Room by 1200 hours 25 Apr 41.

*J. Muirhead* Capt-Adj. t.  
for Officer Commanding,  
1st Bn. The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada

*W. J. ...  
Bn. 4. 2.*

BATTALION ORDERS

BY

LIEUTENANT COLONEL K. G. BLACKADER, M.C., E. D.  
COMMANDING, 1ST BN. THE BLACK WATCH (RHR) OF CANADA (OVERSEAS)

NO. 47

24 Apr 41

PART I

1. DUTIES - COURTS OF INQUIRY

(a) A Court of Inquiry, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President, for the purpose of inquiring into, reporting upon and determining the responsibility for loss of equipment on charge to D-81882 L/Cpl. McNeil R., D-82250 L/Cpl. Treacey J. J., and D-81693 Pte. Perry J.G., 1st Bn. The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada

PRESIDENT: Major H.M. Jaquays

MEMBERS: Lieut. D. Cowans  
Lieut. G. C. Jarvis

(b) A Court of Inquiry, composed as hereunder, will assemble at the call of the President, for the purpose of inquiring into, reporting upon, determining responsibility for the loss of M.F.S.M.6 for the following:

D-81383 Pte. Palmerston W.      D-81469 Pte. Pitcher G.  
D-81544 Pte. Quincey A. C.      D-82268 Pte. Pollack A. K.  
D-81197 Pte. Richards T. A.

PRESIDENT: Capt. J. W. Knox

MEMBERS: Lieut. F. P. Griffin  
Lieut. V. E. Traversy

Proceedings of the above Courts will be submitted to En.C.R., in quadruplicate, by 1 May 41.

2. DUTY UNIT

The Bn. will be Brigade Duty Unit commencing 1800 hours 27 Apr 41.

3. DUTIES (GARRISON) (Bde O 400 d/23 Apr 41)

1. Visitor to the Military Prison & Detention Barracks, Aldershot.  
12 May 41 to 18 May 41 Lt.Col. K. G. Blackader, M.C., E.D.

4. DIVINE SERVICES - Sunday, 27 April 1941.

Protestant

All ranks of Protestant Denomination will parade at 0900 hours, Sunday, 27 Apr 41, for the purpose of attending Service in St. George's Garrison Church, Queen's Avenue, at 0930 hours.

Roman Catholic

All ranks of Roman Catholic Faith will parade at 0900 hours, Sunday 27 Apr 41, for the purpose of attending Service in St. Michael's Church Stanhope Lines, at 0930 hours.

Parade states will be rendered to Bn. Orderly Room by 1000 hours.

5. AMENDMENT - DUTY OFFICER

Detail of duties in part 1 orders No. 45, d/25 Apr 41, sub para 2, is amended as follows:

22 Apr 41 - Lieut. F.P. Griffin      23 Apr 41 - Lieut. D. Cowans  
24 Apr 41 - Lieut. G.C. Fraser      25 Apr 41 - Lieut. A.L. MacLaurin  
26 Apr 41 - Lieut. J.R. Popham      27 Apr 41 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone  
28 Apr 41 - Lieut. T.D. Anyon      29 Apr 41 - Lieut. J. Duchastel  
30 Apr 41 - Capt. B.R. Ritchie

*[Signature]* Capt-Adjt.  
For O.C.      I R.H.C.



Washington  
Gen. A. D.

BATTALION ORDERS

BY  
MAJOR I. L. IBBOTSON, E. D.  
COMMANDING, 1ST BN. THE BLACK WATCH (RHR) OF CANADA, OVERSEAS

No. 48  
28 Apr 41

PART 1

1. DUTIES - DUTY OFFICER  
Amendment.

Detail of duties in part 1 orders No. 47, d/24 Apr 41, sub para 5, is amended as follows:

Delete "30 Apr 41 - Capt. B. R. Ritchie."

The undermentioned officers are detailed for duty as Duty Officer on the dates stated:-

- 30 Apr 41 - Lieut. J. G. Bourne
- 1 May 41 - Lieut. F. P. Griffin
- 2 May 41 - Lieut. D. Cowans
- 3 May 41 - Lieut. J. W. Buchanan
- 4 May 41 - Lieut. G. O. Fraser
- 5 May 41 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone
- 6 May 41 - Lieut. T. D. Anyon

ORDERLY OFFICER

The undermentioned Officers are detailed for duty as Orderly Officer on the dates stated:-

- 30 Apr 41 - Lieut. T. D. Anyon
- 1 May 41 - Lieut. J. Duchastel
- 2 May 41 - Lieut. V. E. Traversy
- 3 May 41 - Lieut. E. R. Bennett
- 4 May 41 - Lieut. J.P.G. Kemp
- 5 May 51 - Lieut. J. G. Bourne
- 6 May 41 - Lieut. F. P. Griffin

BDE. DUTY OFFICER (TRANSPORT)

The following Officers are detailed for duty as Bde Duty Officer (Transport) on the dates stated:-

- 1 May 41 - Lieut. G.M.G. Johnstone
- 2 May 41 - Lieut. T. D. Anyon
- 3 May 41 - Lieut. G. C. Jarvis
- 4 May 41 - Lieut. J. Duchastel

2. COMMAND

Major I. L. Ibbotson, E.D., assumes command of 1 R.H.C., during the absence of Lieut. Col. K. G. Blackader, M.C., E.D., on leave from 25 Apr 41 to 4 May 41.

3. APPOINTMENT

Lieut. A. L. MacLaurin is appointed Acting Adjutant during the absence of Capt. F. M. Mitchell on leave from 28 Apr 41 to 12 May 41.

4. LECTURE

Bomb Disposal

Major McTavish, 7 Cdn Fd Coy will lecture to the Officers of this Bde on Bomb Disposal at 1700 hours 2 May 41 at Albuhera Theatre. All available Officers will attend.

5. ORDERLY ROOM

- (1) It is definitely not in order for any personnel to come into the B n. Orderly Room unless on strictly regimental business.
- (2) Personnel, Officers and O. Rs. included will not loiter in the Orderly Room and will immediately leave the Orderly Room on completion of business.
- (3) The B n. Orderly Room is not to be used as a R. V. for visitors or outsiders with Bn. personnel.
- (4) The Bn. O. R. telephones are for the use of the O. R. staff and are not to be used by other personnel except under extreme circumstances when permission will be requested.
- (5) The O. R. files are confidential and will be referred to only by the C. O., the Adjutant, and the O. R. Staff.

6. NATIONAL RATIONING SCHEME

On introduction of rationing of cheese, holders of Military Leave or Duty Ration Cards (R. B. 8) will be entitled to the current civil ration. Holders of cards R. B. 8A will be entitled to half that quantity. The spare coupon marked "B" on each card will be used for cheese.

7. OUT OF BOUNDS

- 1. Reference map:- 1" to 1 mile Sheet ALDERSHOT COMMAND.
- 2. The following road is placed "OUT OF BOUNDS" to all tracked vehicles:  
WESTBROOK FM 338631 to rd junc 342629

8. AREA SWIMMING BATH

- 1. With reference to Notice No. 1 to Div. R.O., d/11 Apr 41.
  - 2. Through the courtesy of the Canadian Y.M.C.A., arrangements have been made for free swimming facilities to be available at the Command Baths for other ranks of 2 Cdn. Div., effective Wednesday, 23 Apr 41.
  - 3. Periods during which these facilities will be available are as follows:
- |     |      |       |     |       |             |       |
|-----|------|-------|-----|-------|-------------|-------|
| Mon | Tues | Thurs | Fri | ..... | 1730 - 2000 | hours |
|     |      |       | Wed | ..... | 1400 - 1830 | "     |
|     |      |       | Sat | ..... | 1400 - 1900 | "     |

9. DRIVING VEHICLES WITHOUT BEING INSURED

The attention of the Commander, Aldershot Area has been drawn to the frequency with which soldiers driving private motor vehicles are summoned to appear before a civil court charged with offences under the Road Traffic Acts, particularly for driving a motor vehicle which has not been insured.

It would appear that offences of this nature are on the increase and may be attributed partly to thoughtlessness on the part of the soldier and partly to ignorance of the law.

I am to request, therefore, that you will be good enough to take the necessary action to ensure that all ranks are acquainted with the Civil Law in this matter and their attention drawn to the gravity of the offence of driving without being insured, the limit punishment for which is a fine of £50, or three months imprisonment, together with automatic disqualification from driving for twelve months.

10. CONTROL OF SCABIES

- 1. While the incidents of scabies among personnel of Canadian Corps compares favourably with that of other formations and has shown a gradual decline, every effort should be made to effect a further reduction.

CONTROL OF SCABIES - cont'd.

2. Scabies is a condition associated with poor personnel hygiene and is frequently called one of the "DIRT DISEASES".
3. The attention of the formations and units is drawn to K.R.(Can) para 36 and the following preventive measures:
  - (a) Regular baths and keeping of bath register.  
(Man. of Hyg. & San., page 73, paras 5 & 6)
  - (b) Weekly washing of underclothing and towels.  
(Cdn Corps orders 90 of 1940, sub-para (a) )
  - (c) Routine inspection by Platoon, Squadron, etc.,  
Commanders - carried out weekly and cases  
referred to Medical Officer.
  - (d) Medical inspection on joining unit or on return from leave.
  - (e) Regular disinfestation and washing of blankets and paillasses.  
(Cdn. Corps orders No. 236 of 1940.  
The straw from paillasses should be burned. Disinfestation can be arranged with Fd Hyg Sections.
  - (f) Education by sub-unit Commanders.  
(See F.S.R. Vol. 1, 1930, Sect. 145 and Man. of Hyg. & San., pages 7, 9, 20 and 199(.
  - (g) Disciplinary Measures.  
Orders regarding immediate reporting sick of personnel with itchy skin rash or any skin eruption and personal cleanliness should be published and enforced.

11. DISCIPLINE

Safety precautions to be observed by troops walking out during the hours of darkness.

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Owing to the regrettable number of accidents involving the loss of life which have occurred during the hours of "BLACKOUT" it is considered desirable that the attention of all ranks should be drawn to the necessity of taking the normal precautions when walking in public thoroughfares at night when off duty or on duty as individuals. It should be pointed out that drivers of vehicles are often unable to see pedestrians, particularly those dressed in khaki, in sufficient time to avert an accident.

In places where no footway is in existence and it becomes necessary to walk in a roadway, pedestrians should walk on the right-hand side of the road, i. e., against the oncoming traffic, and not on the left hand side, where there is always the danger of being run down from the rear by overtaking traffic.

All traffic signals must be observed and thoroughfares crossed only at the appointed pedestrian crossings, when these are available.

The foregoing instructions, will be brought to the notice of all ranks at least once a month, in order that the loss of life through lack of care and attention in this matter may be checked.

*A. L. Mackay* Lieut. A/Adjt.  
for Officer Commanding,  
1st Bn. The Black Watch (RHR)  
of Canada, Overseas.