

I Corps ⁽¹⁾

Machine Gun Battalions

- 2nd Bn. The Cheshire Regiment (2)
- 4th Bn. The Cheshire Regiment (3)
- 2nd Bn. The Manchester Regiment (4)

Royal Artillery

- 1st Survey Regiment, Royal Artillery (5)
- 1st G.H.Q. Artillery Company, Royal Army Service Corps (6)
- Headquarters, I Corps Commander Royal Artillery (7)
- 115th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery (8)
- 140th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery (9)
- 1st Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery (10)
- 61st (Caernarvon & Denbigh Yeomanry) Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery (11)
- 52nd (East Lancashire) Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery (12)
- Headquarters, I Corps Commander Medium Artillery (13)
- 27th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery (14)
- 98th (Surrey and Sussex Yeomanry) Field Artillery, Royal Artillery (15)
- 3rd Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery (16)
- 5th Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery (17)
- 63rd Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery (18)
- 1st Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery (19)
- 3rd Super-Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery

Royal Engineers

- 102nd (London) Army Field Company, Royal Engineers
- 107th Army Field Company, Royal Engineers
- 221st (2nd London) Field Company, Royal Engineers
- 105th Army Field Park Company, Royal Engineers
- 13th Corps Field Survey Company, Royal Engineers

1st General Construction Group, Royal Engineers

660th General Construction Company, Royal Engineers

661st General Construction Company, Royal Engineers

667th General Construction Company, Royal Engineers

223rd Field Park Company, Royal Engineers

Royal Corps of Signals

I Corps Signals, Royal Corps of Signals

Royal Army Service Corps

I Corps Troops Ammunition Column, Royal Army Service Corps

I Corps Ammunition Company, Royal Army Service Corps

I Corps Supply Column, Royal Army Service Corps

I Corps Petrol Company, Royal Army Service Corps

No. 1 Troop Carrying Company, Royal Army Service Corps

No. 3 Troop Carrying Company, Royal Army Service Corps

Cypriot Pack Transport Company, Royal Army Service Corps

No. 5 Section, 1 Personnel Company, Royal Army Service Corps

No. 6 Section, 1 Personnel Company, Royal Army Service Corps

No. 32 Section, 2 Personnel Company, Royal Army Service Corps

No. 1 Motor Ambulance Convoy, Royal Army Service Corps

Royal Army Medical Corps

13th Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps

6th Field Hygiene Section, Royal Army Medical Corps

No. 1 Advanced Medical Stores Depot, Royal Army Medical Corps

No. 1 Mobile Hygiene Laboratory, Royal Army Medical Corps

No. 1 Mobile Bacteriological Laboratory, Royal Army Medical Corps

No. 1 Casualty Clearing Station, Royal Army Medical Corps

No. 8 Casualty Clearing Station, Royal Army Medical Corps

Royal Army Ordnance Corps

No. 1 Ordnance Field Park, Royal Army Ordnance Corps
No. 1 Army Field Workshop, Royal Army Ordnance Corps
No. 2 Army Field Workshop, Royal Army Ordnance Corps
No. 11 Army Field Workshop, Royal Army Ordnance Corps
No. 7 Mobile Bath Unit, Royal Army Ordnance Corps

Provost

102nd Provost Company, Corps of Military Police

Pioneers

12 Group, Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps

44 Company, Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps
45 Company, Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps
61 Company, Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps

Miscellaneous

No. 1 Field Cash Office, Royal Army Pay Corps
No. 2 Field Cash Office, Royal Army Pay Corps
No. 3 Field Cash Office, Royal Army Pay Corps
No. 48 Field Cash Office, Royal Army Pay Corps

I Corps Postal Unit, Royal Engineers

No. 1 Reception Camp
No. 1 Storage Unit
No. 2 Storage Unit
No. 3 Storage Unit
No. 8 Storage Unit

NOTES:

1. I Corps was formed on 3 September 1939 by the reorganisation of the headquarters Aldershot Command. Lieutenant General Sir John Greer DILL, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., *i.d.c.*, *p.s.c.* transferred from command of Aldershot Command to assume command of the new corps. The headquarters deployed to France immediately and began the task of training and organising the new formations and units arriving in France. On 22 April 1940, DILL returned to the U.K. to assume a key post at the War Office in anticipation of becoming the next Chief of the Imperial General Staff. Lieutenant General Michael George Henry BARKER, C.B., D.S.O., *p.s.c.* replaced DILL on 22 April as the General Officer Commanding I Corps, serving as such during the campaign in France and Belgium, until he was relieved when the corps congregated in the Dunkirk perimeter with Major General ALEXANDER being appointed in command.
2. This battalion, a Regular Army battalion, was formally under the command of Corps Troops, but was attached to the 1st Infantry Division throughout the campaign.
3. Based in Chester, this was a Territorial Army unit, equipped as a machine gun battalion. It was attached to the 48th (South Midland) Infantry Division for the duration of the campaign.
4. This was a Regular Army battalion, equipped as a machine gun battalion, which was attached to the 2nd Infantry Division throughout the war.
5. In May 1939, the 1st Survey Battery, Royal Artillery, was expanded to form the 1st Survey Regiment within the Regular Army. It moved to France in November 1939 and served throughout the campaign. Following evacuation from Dunkirk, the regiment served with Home Forces until September 1942 when it sailed for the Middle East. It served in Palestine and then in September 1944 it arrived in India. The regiment served in Burma during the 1945 campaign making this regiment well-travelled by the end of the war.
6. Brigadier (Temporary) Francis Henry Norman DAVIDSON, D.S.O., M.C.*, *i.d.c.*, *p.s.c.* was the Corps Commander Royal Artillery (C.C.R.A.) for I Corps. At the beginning of May 1940, he was aged forty-eight years and was a Regular Army officer. He assumed command on 2 September 1939 and left on 20 June 1940 to become the Brigadier General Staff, X Corps. Between 16 and 20 May 1940, DAVIDSON acted as the officiating G.O.C. of the 2nd Infantry Division.
7. Raised in April 1939, this regiment was the duplicate of the 60th (North Midland) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery. It comprised two troops, each with twelve 25 pounder field guns. The regiment arrived in France in November 1939 to come under command of G.H.Q. Troops, but was attached to I Corps by 10 May 1940. After evacuation from Dunkirk, the regiment reformed in the U.K. before sailing for India in February 1942, the month in which it gained the title 'North Midland'. The regiment served in Ceylon, India and Burma for the rest of the Second World War.
8. This regiment was a Territorial Army regiment, which was formed in May 1939 as a duplicate of the 92nd (5th London) Field Regiment. It arrived in France in November 1939 to come under the command of I Corps and was equipped with twenty-four 25 pounder guns.
9. The 1st Medium Regiment was a pre-war regiment in the Regular Army. It was equipped with sixteen 6" howitzers.

10. Following service in the Great War, the regiment was reconstituted in the Territorial Army with effect from 7 February 1920 as a Yeomanry unit. On 1 March 1922, it merged with the 12th (Caernarvon and Denbigh) Medium Brigade to form the 61st (Caernarvon and Denbigh Yeomanry) Medium Brigade. The Headquarter and 243rd Batteries were based at the Drill Hall, Colwyn Bay; the 241st Battery (from the original 12th Medium Brigade) was based at Bangor; the 242nd Battery was based at Llandudno; with the 244th Battery based at Wrexham. On 1 November 1938, it was redesignated as the 61st (Caernarvon and Denbigh Yeomanry) Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery in line with the general redesignation of artillery brigades as regiments. In April 1939, the 241st and 242nd Batteries transferred to the newly raised 69th Medium Regiment. The 61st Medium Regiment moved to France in October 1939 equipped with sixteen 6" howitzers to come under command of I Corps. Following evacuation from Dunkirk, the regiment was rebuilt in the U.K. and went on to serve in North West Europe in 1944 and 1945. It was reconstituted on 1 January 1947 within the Territorial Army as the 361st (Caernarvon and Denbigh Yeomanry) Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery.
11. This regiment was formed on 28 November 1938 by the conversion of the 93rd (East Lancashire) Army Field Brigade. This unit had itself been formed in June 1922 by the transfer of two batteries from the 51st (East Lancashire) Brigade, R.F.A. (see 42nd (East Lancashire) Division in 1930 for full details). The Headquarters and 155th Batteries were based in Burnley, with the 154th Battery being based in Church (part of Accrington) and the newly formed 156th Battery in Clitheroe. The regiment was sent to France in November 1939 as part of the B.E.F, under the command of I Corps. Following its return to the United Kingdom, the regiment remained in the country until leaving for the Middle East in June 1941. It then served in Middle East Forces and later 8th Army in Italy.
12. Brigadier (Acting) Fendall William Harvey PRATT, M.C. was the Corps Commander Medium Artillery (C.C.M.A.). During this campaign, each corps had both a C.C.R.A. and a C.C.M.A., although it appears that the corps artillery was divided between the two on an equal basis in terms of specialisation. PRATT was seven months younger than DAVIDSON and was also a Regular Army officer. He assumed command on 2 September 1939, and after Dunkirk, he became the Commander Royal Artillery for X Corps.
13. A Regular Army regiment, which was stationed at Colchester. After evacuation from France, the regiment stayed in the United Kingdom until May 1942, when it left for India. On arrival, it joined the 25th Indian Infantry Division.
14. This regiment was formed in 1920 by the conversion of the Sussex Yeomanry, and the conversion of the Surrey Yeomanry, Queen Mary's Regiment in 1922. The Headquarters, 391st and 392nd Batteries were based at Melbourne House, 72, King's Avenue, Clapham Park, London S.W. 4. The 389th Battery was based at the Drill Hall, Gloster Road, Brighton and the 390th Battery at East Road, Chichester. The regiment duplicated in June 1939 to form the 144th Field Regiment. The 98th Regiment went to France with the B.E.F. in November 1939. On its return to the U.K., it remained at home until September 1942 when it sailed for Egypt. The regiment later formed part of 8th Army Troops in Italy. The 144th Regiment had a long association with the Indian Army, joining the 5th Indian Infantry Division in the Sudan in December 1940. After serving in Egypt, the regiment moved to Iraq with the 5th Indian Division. In August 1942 it transferred to the 31st Indian Armoured Division, with which it remained until the end of war.
15. Based at Larkhill, this regiment was formed as the 3rd Medium Brigade, Royal Garrison Artillery. It mobilized and travelled to France to join the British Expeditionary Force in October 1939. It came under command of I Corps. After evacuation from France, the regiment remained in the U.K. until leaving for the Middle East in May 1943. It later served in North Africa and Italy.

16. The 5th Medium Regiment was another Regular Army unit. It arrived in France in October 1939 equipped with sixteen 6" howitzers. Following evacuation from France, the regiment remained in the U.K. until leaving for Tunisia in October 1942. It served throughout the Tunisian campaign and then served in Italy throughout that campaign.
17. This regiment was a Territorial Army unit formed in 1939 as a duplicate of the 51st (Midland) Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery. This unit was equipped with sixteen 4.5" howitzers when it arrived in France in October 1939. Later in the war, the regiment saw service with the 8th Army Group Royal Artillery in North West Europe in 1944 and 1945.
18. A Regular Army regiment, this unit was equipped with four 6" guns and twelve 8" howitzers. It landed in France in November 1939. From June 1940, the regiment was placed in suspended animation but came back into service in December 1942. It later served in North West Europe.

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