

BATTALION TOURS OF DUTY 1 SEPTEMBER 1964 - 31 DECEMBER 2013

1st Battalion

September 1964 - September 1965	Waterloo Lines, Aden	
October 1965 - February 1968	Trenchard Barracks, Celle, Germany	
February 1968 - June 1968	Alma and Bourlon Barracks, Catterick, Yorkshire	
June 1968 - July 1970	Somme Lines, Catterick, Yorkshire	
July 1970 - March 1972	Ebrington Barracks, Londonderry, Northern Ireland	
March 1972 - May 1974	Salamanca Barracks, Episkopi, Cyprus and Slim Barracks, Dhekelia, Cyprus (Support Company)	
May 1974 - August 1978	Assaye Barracks, Tidworth, Hampshire	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>September 1974 - December 1974</i>	<i>Armagh, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
August 1978 - May 1982	Trenchard Barracks, Celle, Germany	
<i>Unaccompanied tours:</i>		
<i>May 1979 - September 1979</i>	<i>Belfast, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
<i>August 1981 - January 1982</i>	<i>Fermanagh, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
May 1982 - November 1984	Oakington Barracks, Cambridge	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>October 1982 - April 1983</i>	<i>Belize</i>	
November 1984 - January 1987	Ebrington Barracks, Londonderry, Northern Ireland	
January 1987 - February 1989	Lathbury Barracks, Gibraltar	
February 1989 - July 1996	Hyderabad Barracks, Colchester, Essex	
<i>Unaccompanied tours:</i>		
<i>August 1989 - January 1990</i>	<i>South Armagh, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
<i>April 1991 - November 1991</i>	<i>Fermanagh, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
<i>December 1993 - June 1994</i>	<i>East Tyrone, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
<i>August 1995 - October 1995</i>	<i>Croatia, Former Yugoslavia</i>	<i>Operation GRAPPLE</i>
July 1996 - May 1999	Oakington Barracks, Cambridge	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>November 1996 - May 1997</i>	<i>Belfast, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
May 1999 - May 2001	Ebrington Barracks, Londonderry, Northern Ireland	
May 2001 - December 2011	Elizabeth Barracks, Pirbright, Surrey	
<i>Unaccompanied tours:</i>		
<i>March 2002 - June 2002</i>	<i>Kabul, Afghanistan</i>	<i>Operation FINGAL</i>
<i>December 2002 - June 2003</i>	<i>East Tyrone, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
	<i>(4 platoons only)</i>	
<i>April 2005 - October 2005</i>	<i>Basra, Iraq</i>	<i>Operation TELIC 6</i>
<i>March 2007 - October 2007</i>	<i>Helmand Province, Afghanistan</i>	<i>Operation HERRICK 6</i>
<i>October 2009 - April 2010</i>	<i>Helmand Province, Afghanistan</i>	<i>Operation HERRICK 11</i>
December 2011 - Present	Picton Barracks, Bulford, Wiltshire	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>March 2012 - October 2012</i>	<i>Helmand Province, Afghanistan</i>	<i>Operation HERRICK 16</i>

2nd Battalion

September 1964 - October 1964	Normandy Barracks, Felixstowe, Suffolk	
October 1964 - July 1967	Alexander Barracks, Dhekelia, Cyprus	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>May 1966 - July 1966</i>	<i>RAF Khormaksar, Aden (B Company only)</i>	
July 1967 - November 1969	Normandy Barracks, Felixstowe, Suffolk	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>December 1968 - August 1969</i>	<i>RAF Gibraltar</i>	
November 1969 - May 1971	Hyderabad Barracks, Colchester, Essex	
<i>Unaccompanied tour:</i>		
<i>October 1970 - February 1971</i>	<i>Belfast, Northern Ireland</i>	<i>Operation BANNER</i>
May 1971 - June 1976	Oxford Barracks, Múnster, Germany	
<i>Unaccompanied tours:</i>		

August 1972 - December 1972	Belfast, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
July 1973 - November 1973	Londonderry, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
August 1975 - December 1975	Belfast, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
June 1976 - August 1978	Gordon Barracks, Gillingham, Kent	
Unaccompanied tours:		
August 1976	Lathbury Barracks, Gibraltar and Buena Vista Barracks, Gibraltar (Support Company)	
March 1977 - June 1977	Belfast, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
August 1978 - January 1981	Montgomery Barracks, Berlin, Germany	
January 1981 - January 1983	Ebrington Barracks, Londonderry	
January 1983 - March 1987	Hyderabad Barracks, Colchester	
Unaccompanied tours:		
December 1983 - June 1984	Alexander Barracks, Dhekelia, Cyprus and St David's Camp, Nicosia, Cyprus	
January 1986 - February 1986	Fermanagh, Tyrone, Armagh, Northern Ireland	Operation CARACARA
April 1986 - September 1986	South Armagh, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
March 1987 - February 1996	Trenchard Barracks, Celle, Germany	
Unaccompanied tours:		
January 1989 - June 1989	Belfast, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
March 1991 - July 1991	Kuwait	Operation GRANBY
December 1992 - July 1993	East Tyrone, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
May 1994 - November 1994	Bosnia, Former Yugoslavia	Operation GRAPPLE 4
February 1996 - February 1998	Battlesbury Barracks, Warminster, Wiltshire	
February 1998 - March 2000	Alexander Barracks, Dhekelia, Cyprus	
Unaccompanied tour:		
March 1999 - July 1999	RAF Mount Pleasant, Falkland Islands (B Company only)	
March 2000 - February 2004	Beachley Barracks, Chepstow, Monmouthshire	
Unaccompanied tours:		
June 2000 - July 2000	Sierra Leone (B Company only)	Operation BASILICA
November 2000 - May 2001	Belfast (D (Support) Company only)	Operation FACTION
June 2002 - December 2002	Belfast and Omagh, Northern Ireland	Operation BANNER
March 2003 - October 2003	Kabul, Afghanistan (2 companies only)	Operation FINGAL 5
February 2004 - December 2005	Shackleton Barracks, Ballykelly, Northern Ireland	
December 2005 - August 2007	Clive Barracks, Tern Hill, Shropshire	
Unaccompanied tour:		
April 2006 - November 2006	Basra, Iraq	Operation TELIC 8
August 2007 - August 2010	Trenchard Barracks, Celle, Germany	
Unaccompanied tours:		
May 2008 - November 2008	Basra, Iraq	Operation TELIC 12
May 2009 - June 2009	RAF Mount Pleasant, Falkland Islands (D Company only)	
August 2010 - August 2012	Alexander Barracks, Dhekelia, Cyprus	
Unaccompanied tour:		
March 2012 - April 2012	RAF Mount Pleasant, Falkland Islands (D Company only)	
August 2012 - Present	Kendrew Barracks, Cottesmore, Rutland	
Unaccompanied tour:		
September 2013 - Present	Helmand Province, Afghanistan	Operation HERRICK 19

3rd Battalion

September 1964 - August 1966	Wavell Barracks, Berlin, Germany
August 1966 - December 1968	Assaye Barracks, Tidworth, Hampshire
Unaccompanied tour:	
October 1966 - May 1967	Radfan Camp, Aden

December 1968 - December 1970 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> October 1969 - April 1970	Normandy Barracks, Aldershot, Hampshire <i>Polemida Camp, Limassol, Cyprus</i>
December 1970 - August 1975 <i>Unaccompanied tours:</i> April 1972 - August 1972 March 1973 - July 1973 November 1974 - March 1975	Alanbrooke Barracks, Paderborn, Germany Belfast, Northern Ireland <i>Operation BANNER</i> Londonderry, Northern Ireland <i>Operation BANNER</i> Londonderry, Northern Ireland <i>Operation BANNER</i>
August 1975 - February 1976 February 1976 - February 1978 February 1978 - May 1978 May 1978 - November 1979 November 1979 - January 1984 <i>Unaccompanied tours:</i> November 1980 - May 1981	Alma Barracks, Catterick, Yorkshire Salamanca Barracks, Episkopi, Cyprus Kiwi Barracks, Bulford, Wiltshire Palace Barracks, Holywood, Northern Ireland Meeanee Barracks, Colchester, Essex <i>Alexander Barracks, Dhekelia, Cyprus and St David's Camp, Nicosia, Cyprus</i>
May 1982 - October 1982	<i>Belize</i>
January 1984 - February 1989 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> November 1986 - March 1987	Elizabeth Barracks, Minden, Germany Belfast, Northern Ireland <i>Operation BANNER</i>
February 1989 - May 1991 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> July 1989 - November 1989	Roman Barracks, Colchester, Essex <i>RAF Mount Pleasant, Falkland Islands (C Company only)</i>
May 1991 - August 1992 August 1992 - October 1992	Ebrington Barracks, Londonderry, Northern Ireland Meeanee Barracks, Colchester, Essex

4th Battalion

September 1964 - November 1965 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> February 1965 - August 1965	Doniford Camp, Watchet, Somerset <i>Radfan Camp, Aden</i>
November 1965 - July 1968 <i>Unaccompanied tours:</i> December 1965 - February 1968 January 1967 - March 1967	St Patrick's Barracks, St Julian's, Malta <i>Tripoli and Benghazi, Libya (one company only)</i> <i>RAF Khormaksar, Aden (C Company only)</i>
July 1968 - December 1970 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> August 1969 - May 1970	Gordon Barracks, Gillingham, Kent <i>Hamala Camp, Bahrain</i>
January 1971 - July 1972 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> January 1972 - July 1972	Mons Barracks, Aldershot, Hampshire (Tiger Company) <i>Devil's Tower Barracks, Gibraltar (Tiger Company)</i>
August 1972 - June 1975 <i>Unaccompanied tour:</i> March 1974 - July 1974	Howe Barracks, Canterbury, Kent (Tiger Company) <i>East Tyrone/Armagh, Northern Ireland (Tiger Company)</i> <i>Operation BANNER</i>

The list above shows both routine battalion postings and operational deployments of one company or more. There have been occasional operational deployments of less than one company but these are not shown, neither are training exercises. Generally, main locations only are given and small or temporary detachments are ignored. Dates are based, wherever possible, on either the official change of operational control or the movement of the main body of troops and disregard advance parties, rear parties, and other small elements.