

British Army Succession of Titles: People Services



The Adjutant General's Corps (AGC) is unique in the annals of the British Army as it is the first and only 'Federated' Corps, made up of distinct functional 'branches'. The Corps was formed on 6 April 1992, from the Corps of Royal Military Police (RMP), the Military Provost Staff Corps (MPSC), the Royal Army Pay Corps (RAPC), the Royal Army Educational Corps (RAEC), the Army Legal Corps (ALC) and the Women's Royal Army Corps (WRAC), together with the All Arms Staff Clerks of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps (RAOC). On that date, the RMP, MPSC and ALC ceased to be independent Corps, while the RAPC, RAEC and WRAC were disbanded. With the creation of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) in April 1993, the clerks from the Royal Corps of Transport (RCT), the Royal Pioneer Corps (RPC) and the Army Catering Corps (ACC) were transferred to the AGC. In July 1993, clerks from all other Arms and Services became part of the Corps. In 1997, the newly established Military Provost Guard Service (MPGS) became part of the AGC. Today, the AGC consists of four distinct branches: Staff and Personnel Support (SPS) Branch, Provost Branch (RMP, MPS & MPGS), Educational and Training Services (ETS) Branch and Army Legal Services (ALS) Branch which deliver personnel administration, policing, custody and guarding services, education and legal services.

19th Century	First World War	Interwar Years	Second World War	Cold War		Present
Army Pay Department (1878-1920) APD		Royal Army Pay Department (1920) RAPD	Royal Army Pay Corps (1920-92) RAPC		Adjutant General's Corps Staff and Personnel Support Branch	
Army Pay Corps (1893-1920) APC		Royal Army Pay Corps (1920) RAPC				
Corps of Military Accountants (1919-25)						
Staff Corps of Cavalry (1813-14) & (1815-18)						
Mounted Staff Corps (1854-55)						
Military Mounted Police (1855-1926) <i>A permanent Corps in the British Army from 1877</i> MMP	Corps of Military Police (1926-46) CMP Field Security Wing (1937-40) FSP <i>Duties and personnel transferred to Intelligence Corps</i> Corps of Military Police (India) (1942-46) CMP (I)		Corps of Royal Military Police (1946-92) RMP Gurkha Military Police (1950-65) GMP		Adjutant General's Corps Provost Branch Royal Military Police RMP Military Provost Staff MPS Military Provost Guard Service MPGS	
Military Foot Police (1882-1926) MFP						
Military Prison Staff Corps (1901-06) Military Provost Staff Corps (1906-92) MPSC						
Corps of Army Schoolmasters (1846-1920) CAS	Army Educational Corps (1920-46) AEC		Royal Army Educational Corps (1946-92) RAEC			Adjutant General's Corps Educational and Training Services Branch
Army Schoolmistresses (1846-1928)	Queen's Army Schoolmistresses (1928-70) QAS					
Army Bureau of Current Affairs (1941-46) ABCA						
Military Department of the Office of the Judge Advocate General (1923-48)			Directorate of Army Legal Services (1948-78) DALS	Army Legal Corps (1978-92) ALC		

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Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (1917/18) WAAC	Auxiliary Territorial Service (1938-49) ATS	Women's Royal Army Corps (1949-92) WRAC
Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps (1918-21) QMAAC		

Regiments

1970	2000	Present
1 Regiment RMP (1971-85) 1 RMP		1 Regiment RMP (1996-present) 1 RMP
2 Regiment RMP (1973-78) 2 RMP	2 Regiment RMP (1982-94) 2 RMP	2 Regiment RMP (2006-20) 2 RMP
		3 Regiment RMP (1995-present) 3 RMP
		4 Regiment RMP <i>Approved as a War Only Establishment in 1986</i> (2000-19) 4 RMP
		5 Regiment RMP (2000-13) 5 RMP
	6 Regiment RMP (1999/2000; 2000-07) 6 RMP	
		Specialist Operations Regiment RMP (2015-present) Spec Ops Regt RMP
		Military Provost Staff Regiment (2014-present) MPS Regt