

1937

Kenya

No. 10108

SUBJECT

CO 533/366

Police Force Officers

~~Best~~ Regulations

Previous

See 318/6/23

Subsequent

15535/29  
See 20040/28 Uganda  
See 15220/28 Kya.

FILE C.



1 Crown Agents 28th January, 1927  
(min)

Ask for copy of the amended regulations.

*Mr Allen (A)*

Nothing on this subject can be traced since 31816/23 & it is not quite clear that that paper refers to the same subject.

I reply by minute that we have recd. no copies of the regulations & that they had better refer the matter to the Col Gen.

*M. Jewell*  
17-2-27

*Henry*

Can you trace anything in the Gazette in the last ~~year~~ <sup>year</sup> matters?

*W. Allen*  
18/3/27

*Mr Allen*

I can find no trace in Gazette of the paper referred to.

*W. Allen 9/2/27*

X. 10.108  
27

2 \_\_\_\_\_ Agents \_\_\_\_\_ 12 May, 1917

in particulars of the amended Kenya Police  
Officers Dress Regulations and ask if amendments  
meet with approval.

Mr. Piller (a)

I don't think that Mr. Piller has  
any interest in these regulations, the Kenya Govt  
does not appear to have issued approval of them  
unless Mr. Howell wishes to make an  
amendment to the amendments it will be made in  
but see a modification to the regulations at the  
the same time as to approval

reference to the main ten regulations  
in an appendix of the 1st of the Regulations  
of 1917 Police Order 2 line 909 (1917/09)  
These were sent to the Hon. Secy on 27 Oct 1909  
in File 147 EA in which their adoption was  
approved. It seems therefore that if the original  
regulation was approved by Hon. Secy, any amendment  
should also be approved.

from Piller that we have read these  
regulations from the P.A. refer to the form covers above, 3186/23 etc.  
(and also 35/110/09) and ask him to specify what

X. 10108/27

perhaps the new regulations differ from the old, asking  
that it is desirable that amendments should  
be submitted for approval

Mr. Howell  
21.5.27

I don't think that we should take  
any action with the Col. Govt. unless  
there is something in the regulations  
which the S. P. ~~should~~ <sup>could</sup> take objection.  
Perhaps Mr. Howell will have a look  
at them & advise

Jeffries  
24.5.27

The main interest of C.C.D.  
in Police Uniforms is to see that  
they do not conflict with accepted  
rules of design as regards badges  
of rank, use of Crown or other  
Royal indications on buttons, etc.,  
without authority. Although,  
strictly speaking, Hon. authority  
is required to use the Crown on a  
police uniform, it is so general  
that its use could not be questioned.  
I do not see anything here to  
which exception could be taken.

for  
of 1465/26  
Nigeria

(I send this on as  
Mr. Howell was  
unable to deal with  
it before going on  
leave  
15/6  
18/6

(I note that the "Officers' Equipment  
memo. supplied by C.A. has not  
been altered as directed by the C.  
Proachey on 10328.)

W.R. Harrison  
28/5/27

Recd CA no objection. Postulated  
at H in W. Haman's minute

J. Allen

20/6

ataree

15/7

To C.A. (no 2 and) con. 11 JUL 1927

J.C.K.

4. ----- AG. Gov's Dep. Nairobi ----- 16th June, 1927.

Trs. two copies of the Kenya Police Standing Orders Nos. 25 and 58 embodying new Dress Regulations for the Force which have been approved subject to covering sanction from S. of S.

W. Allen

5000 - enclosed - 102 - 50 18 -

noted Ken's return - it calls for remarks

What and give views sanction

for case to be

well

8-25

J. Allen

19/7

ataree

To C.A. (w/copies 4-5) 28 JUL 1927

To C.A. (w/copies 4-5) 29 JUL 1927 J.C.K.

W. Allen

C.A. have not replied to no. 3

? ask them to do so

15/7

By minute

J. Allen

12/8

ataree

minute sent to S.

19/7

15/8/27

W. Allen

J. Allen

Please see attached minute for

CA dated 18/7

copy of a minute

miscellaneous

10/8/27

Noted

J. Allen 14/8/27

ataree

Enclose copy of up to date Kenya Police Officers Dress Regulations.

W. Allen

These Regs are said to be authorized by the C.P.F. and by the C.O. L.I. although they are not issued under the name of the



According to "Dress worn on land" which is the authority on these matters, Commissioner and Asst Commr. of the City of London Police wear two rows of gold oakleaf embroidery on their caps. These officers in the Metropolitan Police have two rows of silver oakleaf embroidery.

I understand that Capt. Price called on the Wrenman yesterday, & that in addition to stating to the above effect asserted that a similar feature occurred in the uniform of the South African Police. Capt. Price had had a copy of this done & had apparently recognized the fashion by calling in Scotland Yard the Home Office.

In the annex, there can be no objection to the proposal to have gold oak leaf band on the caps of the Kenya Police Commissioner & assistants.

WR Warman  
17.1.28

Assume that KAR Officers would wear helmets & that they would be in woodland except of occasion. The City & Metrop. Police Officers would be sufficiently differentiated from military officers by the colour of their uniforms.

R. H. Howell  
17/1/28

In the Army, Field Marshal's General Officers only wear 2 rows of oak-leaf embroidery, of full Colonels 1 row <sup>only</sup> Field Officers (i.e. Major, Captain) wear one

I did not discuss it with the but with 5 or 6 letters in the absence of the Wrenman, the Howell

rows of plain gold embroidery. I must say that I think it is a little ambitious for a C. of P. to wear 2 rows of Gold Oak-leaf embroidery (the same as a Field Marshal wears) or considering the general similarity of the uniform with that of the military force.

I do not know what is meant by a "Colonel's" pattern cap. The description in the Army lists the universal pattern for a Cap. To be quite logical, the C. of P. might wear a Colonel's hat & plumes in full dress.

It is interesting to note that other police forces, e.g. Kenya do not embroider the peaks at all.

Personally, I should think that the C. of P. - a C. of P. would be well suited if the peak was <sup>embroidered</sup> with one row of plain gold embroidery, & if they wore oak leaf, with one row of <sup>in silver</sup> 1/2". The C. of P. wears a dress - Colonel's pattern and unlike the home police forces, the uniform of military police in the Colonies is very similar. There is bound to be too similarity where both forces wear khaki, Sam Brown etc. and I don't think a distinction and these are minor details of difference.

P. H. G. H.  
18.1.28

No. 9 said the Govt would approve of the ~~idea~~ agreed: but as the Govt has raised the point the view of the similarity of the uniform to that of the military the suggestion at a meeting of the Police Council might be put to the Govt. This is subject to what Capt. Price said to the Wrenman & I don't know whether he passed it on. I think the 2 rows of silver oak leaf <sup>is possible</sup>

as to be with Army uniform wear 2 rows of gold embroidery

A  
Here

I am not sure that I am  
concerned but I am inclined  
to agree with Maj. Cole

Edwards  
18/1/28

The C.O.P. is differentiated (Attache)  
(No. of 2 of each to 8) & I think we should  
allow him to be differentiated from his subordinates.  
But in view of the attribution of rank 2  
rank leaves to M's & Genl Officers we  
must rule that out, and in view of the  
South African Regts we must think rule  
out 1 oak leaf in gold, since we do not want  
the Kenya C.O.P. to have an decoration  
ornamentation inferior in its own class to  
that of a captain in S Africa. (Note of  
course if the S African ornamentation is  
gold as behind the above minutes are not  
clear.)

In the whole I should be inclined  
to allow oak leaves in silver (2 for C.O.P.  
& 1 for A.C.O.) or 2 or 1 row of plain  
gold embroidery as the Governor may  
prefer.

If this is agreed we  
should point out C.A. if the  
above alternatives are both  
practicable is - the tailoring  
cost of view

R. Wiseman  
19.1.28

Very well, but I don't think  
silver would keep its colour very  
long.  
W.D. 19.1.28 comes

Crown Agents

Please see the last section of  
the Despatch minute. May we have  
your observations please  
W. Jewell  
26.1.28

W. Jewell

Either silver oak leaf embroidery  
or plain gold embroidery is quite practicable  
from the tailors point of view. Silver  
would tarnish, but it is quite possible  
to clean it again.

R. Wards  
C.A. Stores Dept

W. Jewell  
28.1.28  
J.H. Allen  
30/1/28

Noted  
C.C.D.

Room 5 (C.A.) to see  
12  
To Gov. of G. (no. 11 Annul) = 1 FEB 1928  
13 To C.A. (w/copies 11 & 12) 3 FEB 1928 E.C.



X.10708/25 Kenya

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Mr. Jewell 25/1/28  
Mr. Miller 30/1  
Mr. Rosenau 30/1  
Mr. L. J. Harding

Sir C. Strachey.  
Sir J. Shuckburgh.  
Sir G. Grindle.  
Sir U. Davis.  
Sir S. Wilson.  
Mr. Ormby-Gore.  
Lord Curzon.  
Mr. Amery.

C. D.  
R 20 JAN  
D.S. 11

~~S6~~

1 FEB 1928  
~~Jan 1928~~

DRAFT.

Kenya  
no 76  
G. W. Grigg

Copy to C.A. 8 FEB 1928  
S.C.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 773 of the 30th of November regarding the Kenya Police Officers' Dress Regulations.

2. With regard to the question involved in the fact of gold oak leaf braid on the caps of the Commissionaries and District Commissioners of Police I am

Col<sup>d</sup> 11 this to  
C.A. 16

advised that Field Marshal and

General ~~of the Army~~

two rows of gold leaf <sup>gold</sup> ~~subordinating~~ <sup>on the cap</sup> are limited to  
and that the arm of the Police  
~~is held in such an odd style~~  
officer's uniform in Kenya is not a  
~~distinctive one as in the case of the City~~  
~~of London Police~~  
~~of plain gold~~ <sup>gold</sup> ~~subordinating~~

I ~~consider~~ <sup>consider</sup> am disposed to think  
that the best course would be to  
~~it will be sufficient if the~~  
proceed in the case of the  
Commissioners and Commissioners of Police in Kenya

~~was~~ either two rows and one row,  
respectively, of oak leaves in silver,  
or two rows and one row, respectively,  
of plain gold ~~subordinating~~, ~~and~~  
~~uniforms~~ but I leave it to you to  
decide which of these alternatives  
to adopt. I understand that either  
alternative is practicable from  
the tailoring point of view.

I have etc

I can well so  
doubt the wisdom  
of the Reg's to  
be amended  
accordingly

(for the Secretary of State)  
(Signed) W. ORMSBY GORE

KENYA.

No. 773



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI,  
KENYA.

30 NOVEMBER, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 864 of the 11th October, enclosing a copy of a revision of the Kenya Police Officers' Dress Regulations, I have the honour to state that I am in general agreement with these Regulations as amended.

2. A point which occurs to me and which I consider might be discussed to advantage with the Metropolitan Police Authorities is the question of the gold oak leaf braid on the caps of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of Police. It has been suggested that these caps resemble too closely those worn by military officers of senior rank.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

*Edward Gigg*  
GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON S.W.

*Hand - 7/10 - 41*  
*Copy to C.A. - 3 FEB 1928 B/15*

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10108  
10058/27 Kenya

- Mr. Jewell 6.10.27
- Mr. Jeffries 6/10
- Mr. E. J. Harding
- Sir G. Strachey
- Sir J. Shuckburgh
- Sir G. Grindle
- Sir C. Davis
- Sir S. Wilson
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore
- Lord ~~xxxx~~
- Mr. Amery

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11 Oct 1927

DRAFT.

Sir

Kenya  
No. 864  
Guthrie

(5) 18 OCT 1927  
Copy to C.A.

With ref to my despatch to GSO of the  
 29th of July, I have the honor to  
 transmit to you the accopy of a  
 letter from the C.A. for the Colonies,  
 enclosing ~~also~~ a copy of the  
 Kenya Police Officers' Dress  
 Regulations as further  
 revised by them on the  
 instructions of the

16 Sept 1927

I request that  
 you check this  
 copy

Commissioner of Police

2. I shall be glad to  
learn whether you agree to the  
regulations as amended. In that  
case I shall be prepared to  
approve them

(for the Secretary of State)  
(Signed, W. ORMSBY GORE.)

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TELEGRAMS: "CROWN, LONDON." TELEPHONE: 7730 VICTORIA.

4. MILLBANK, WESTMINSTER, LONDON, S.W.1.

RECEIVED 17 SEP 1927 COL OFFICE

16th September, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.X.10108/27 of the 29th July, with enclosures, embodying the new dress regulations for the Kenya Police Force, I have the honour to transmit for your information two copies of the dress regulations as further revised by us on the instructions of the Commissioner of Police, Captain R.C.B.Spicer, M.C., who recently called here in connection with the matter. There were several points in the regulations drawn up in the colony which were not clear and required to be amplified. Should the regulations as now amended meet with the sanction of the Secretary of State, we shall be obliged if a copy may be transmitted to the Government of Kenya for their information.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W.A. Wrench

for Crown Agents.

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Copy to Gen Spicer

The Under Secretary of State, COLONIAL OFFICE, S.W.1.

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COLLECTOR GENERAL  
COLONIAL OFFICE  
SINGAPORE

GOVERNMENT OF  
PENANG

KHAKI POLICE OFFICERS' DRESS REGULATIONS.

Original instructions authorised by the Colonial Office 29th July, 1927, but as now amended by the Commissioner of Police, 21st August, 1927.

1. TUNIC.

Khaki drill made from Colon Agents' standard material pattern No. 2134, waisted, skirted and cut long. Roll collar (opening not to exceed  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " from collar stud), fastened with four gilt regulation buttons. Four pockets, breast pockets pointed and fastened with regulation button in centre and invisible clip fasteners on the outer edges. Side pocket flaps cut square. Plain back with vent in the centre seam to waist. Ticket pocket between right breast and side pockets. Whistle pocket cut in, the inner side of left breast pocket. Sleeves with pointed cuffs with three small gilt regulation buttons, worn close together. Detachable brass bolt hooks for Sam Browne belt with supporting stays from arm-pit seam on inside of tunic.

The two breast pockets to have  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " pleat down centre,  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " wide, 8" deep from top of flap.

Top edge of pocket in line with top button, three pointed flap, fastened with regulation gilt buttons. Side expanding pockets 9" wide at top, 10" deep,  $11\frac{1}{2}$ " wide at bottom, straight flap fastened with regulation gilt button.

Cuffs  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " deep at point and  $2\frac{3}{4}$ " behind.

Badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.

Four gilt badges to be worn on collar.

Badges of rank to be in black metal and regulation size.

Blue whistle lanyard worn over left shoulder.

2. SHIRT.

Worn with tunic, white cotton with soft polo collar and black tie.

- 3. SHORTS. Khaki drill made from Crown Agents' standard H.P. 213" cut to top of knee cap and cut wide.
- 4. BUTTONS. Blue Fox's spiral, etc., black tapes.
- 5. BOOTS. Brown ankle with toe cap.
- 6. HARVEST. Volseley pattern, worn, covered with khaki drill. Khaki puggaree, 3" regulation blue glass left side; brass Kenya Police badge in front.
- 7. CAP. Cavalry pattern, blue cloth, with a band of blue mohair braid 1 1/4" deep. Kenya Police detachable gilt badge worn in front. Chin strap black patent leather 1/4" wide, and small gilt regulation button at end. Plain patent black leather peak. Khaki cover for ears. Commissioner of police 2 rows gold oakleaf braid on band, Assistant Commissioners 1 row.
- 8. SLACKS. Khaki drill. To be worn turned up at ankles and with black shoes and khaki socks.  
NOTE. This dress to be worn only for office use.
- 9. GRAND COAT. Blue, pattern as issued to rifle and file. Gilt buttons of rank worn on shoulder straps.
- 10. WATERPROOF. Raspberry color, with brass buckle to waist belt.
- 11. SAFARI DRESS.  
Safari Tunic. A loose fitting khaki drill tunic made from Crown Agents' standard H.P. 2134 with polo collar opening from the neck with 3 regulation gilt buttons above the breast. Shoulder badges as for tunic.  
Short sleeves - cut off at elbow. The tunic to be open down the front, with vent in centre of breast.  
Khaki stockings and brown shoes may be worn with safari tunic.  
FOUR DRESS.
- 12. TUNIC. As in paragraph 11.
- 13. SHIRT. As in paragraph 2 - cut worn with starched white collar and black tie.



14. BREECHES. Light buff Bedford cord. Strappings of same material buttoned on inside of leg and 3 buttons to show above top of boot. Fly front.

15. BOOTS. Black "Greenleish" with high counter.

16. SPURS. Short necked 1" steel, black plain cross strap. Strap to be fitted to counter of boot.

NOTE. Paragraphs 14, 15 and 16 will also apply to mounted officers.

17. HELMET. As in paragraph 5.

LESS DRESS.

18. LESS JACKET. Shell, dark blue cloth, edged all round with 3/4" black mohair braid, the border of same at point behind.

Shoulder straps of same material.

Budges. Regulation silver embroidered miniature cloth worn on shoulder straps.

COLLAR. Stand up, edged with 3/4" black mohair braid with tracing of braid below and line of 3/4" square braid at bottom.

CUFF. Pointed 3/4" deep. An Austrian knot of black square cord extending to 8 1/2" high with a tracing of braid all round, a black tracing or field figure on cap below.

JAACKETCOAT. White pique, 3 small regulation uniform pattern buttons.

OVERALLS. Dark blue cloth with broad stripe 2 1/2" wide of plain black mohair braid, silver metal bootstrap with steel buckle.

COLLAR. White stiff lined.

HECKTIL. Black silk.

BOOTS & SPURS. Wellington boots and steel spurs.

C.A.P. As in No. 7 but worn without khaki cover.

EQUIPMENT.

19. Universal pattern "Sax Grenade" belt with 60 brass.

SWORD. Infantry pattern, brown leather scabbard, frog and sword knot.

REVOLVER. Webley service pattern (.450).

HAWESACK. Khaki Infantry pattern.  
HAT BOOTS. Infantry pattern - Mk. VI (Officers).

BADGES OF RANK. Commissioner - Crown and 1 star.

Regulation black for general wear. Asst. Comms. - Crown.

Regulation gilt to be worn on Great Coat. Superintendents. - 3 stars.

Regulation silver cloth to be worn on mess dress. Asst. Superintendents. - 2 stars.

(Probationary  
(Asst. Supts.  
(Chief Officers) } 1 star.  
(Acting Asst.  
(Supts.

HAT BADGE. Gilt - Regulation Pattern.

COLLAR BADGES. Gilt - Regulation pattern.

NOTE. Khaki drill clothing is best obtained in the colony.  
Sealed patterns of some of the articles of kit can be seen on application to the Pattern Room of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4, Millbank, London, S.W.1, between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Saturdays 9.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

OFFICERS' EQUIPMENT - PURCHASES

No particular firm can be recommended from which to obtain the undermentioned kit, but the Commissioner of Police suggests that newly appointed officers with limited means should in the first place get in touch with Messrs. Gore & Co. of 40, Panton Street, Haymarket, London, S.W.1., he having personally ascertained that this firm is in a position to supply the whole of the essential articles of kit at very moderate terms.

- (1) 1 Pair black greenleigh boots for full dress occasions (with sign counter).  
1 pair brown polo boots. (field boot pattern).  
1 pair short necked steel spurs, with straps for both boots.
- (2) 1 helmet, Wolsley Khaki with removable head-lining and blue flash on left side.  
1 service cap, blue (London Police Officers pattern with khaki cover).  
1 Civilian topcoat white with blue silk pugaree, Police line and removable head-lining.  
2 Spare head-linings.
- (3) 1 saddle (Saber or Whippy only, complete with girths, numnah, stirrup leathers and irons).  
1 Double bridle with standing martingale.
- (4) 1 Sam Browne belt of brown, not new, and well coloured.  
1 Milkmaid riding sand.
- (5) 1 raincoat (London Police Pattern).
- (6) 1 pair light coloured smart Bedford cord riding breeches, 3 buttons to knee and fly front.
- (7) Thin suits of pale peach material, these suits are very cheap, hardwearing, cool and smart.
- (8) 1 Wolsley valise for bedding, bedding (blankets and sheets and pillows).  
The Police colours (Green and Khaki).
- (9) White shirts with semi-stiff collars are to be worn with uniform with black trousers, brown boots with toe caps are also to be worn.
- (10) All other articles as mentioned in the above. Ties and Blue great coats etc. may be purchased or obtained from the Headquarter Superintendent's Store, at the Depot in Nairobi.

If any probationary officer should have a .38 bore gun in his possession, he should bring it out with him. Motor cycles are better bought in the country.

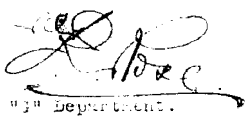
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XCA  
Mr. E. Jewell,  
Chief of Police Department,  
Colonial Office.

With reference to your letter of the 28th  
of August last and A.C. letter to A.10108/2 of the 28th Aug 1927  
In reply to a set of enclosures, we have to inform you that  
the changes in the dress regulations have now been  
approved by the Commissioner of Police having taken  
note and discussed the several outstanding queries. A copy of  
the dress regulations is enclosed herewith for your  
information and any further copies required by newly appointed  
officers can be obtained on application to the Records Room  
of this Office.



"B" Department.  
Crown Agents.  
31st August, 1927.

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11th August, 1927,

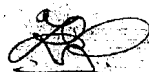
Sir,

We shall be glad if you can make it convenient, when in this neighbourhood, to call at the Pattern Room of this Office, as we are in some doubt regarding certain amendments to the Kenya Police Officers Dress Regulations.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd)



for Crown Agents.

Captain R.G.B. Spicer, M.C.,  
Badminton Club,  
Piccadilly,  
W.

S/Rs.  
E.P.

G/639.

Millbank,

Westminster,

London, S.W.1.

19th August, 1927.

Sir,

with reference to your call here on Tuesday last, we enclose herewith for your approval a draft copy of the proposed new Police Officers Dress Regulations, copies of which, if you approve, will be available for all newly appointed officers of the Force.

We would point out for your information that the helmet which is referred to as the "Kitchener" is now generally known as the "Wolseley" pattern helmet. There are two further matters which we should be obliged if you will settle, viz:-

Are the breeches worn on the Mess Dress, similar to the Mini size? and also

Is it intended that the officers' waterproofer should be the M.VI pattern please?

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) F. R. Rose.

Chief Constable.

- 1. Thank you.
- 2. Signature.
- 3. A note to effect that all khaki drill kit is best obtained in the Colony would be advisable.

(Sgd) R.G.B. Spicer.

Khaki Drill Kit  
21st August 1927.

Capt. R.G.B. Spicer, M.C.,  
Badminton Club,  
Piccadilly,

KENYA POLICE OFFICERS' DRESS REGULATIONS.

Authorized by the Commissioner of Police and approved by Colonial Office, August, 1927.

1. TUNIC.

Khaki drill made from Crown Agents' standard material pattern No. 2134, waisted, skirted and cut long. Roll collar (opening not to exceed 1/2" from collar stand), fastened with four gilt regulation buttons. Four pockets, breast pockets pointed and fastened with regulation button in centre and invisible clip fasteners on two outer edges. Side pocket flaps cut square. Plain back with vent in the centre seam to waist. Ticket pocket between right breast and side pocket. Whistle pocket cut in, the inner side of left breast pocket. Sleeves with pointed cuffs with three small gilt regulation buttons, worn close together. Detachable brass belt hooks for Sam Browne belt with supporting stays from arm-pit seam on inside of tunic.

The two breast pockets to have 1 1/2" pleat down centre. 6 3/4" wide, 8" deep from top of flap.

Top edge of pocket in line with top button, three pointed flap, fastened with regulation gilt buttons. Side expanding pocket 5" wide at top; 10" deep, 11 1/2" wide at bottom, straight flap fastened with regulation gilt button.

Cuffs 5 1/4" deep at point and 2 3/4" beyond.

Badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.

Force gilt badge to be worn on collar.

Badges of rank to be in black metal and regulation size.

Blue whistle lanyard worn over left shoulder.

2. SHIRT.

Worn with tunic, white cotton with soft polo collar and black tie.

- 3. SHORTS. Khaki drill made from crown agents' standard M.P. 2135 cut to top of knee cap and cut wide.
- 4. PANTS. Blue Fox's spiral with black tapes.
- 5. BOOTS. Brown ankle with toe cap.
- 6. HELMET. Cavalry pattern, cork, covered with khaki drill. Khaki puggaree, 2" regulation blue flash left side; brass Kenya Police badge in front.
- 7. CAP. Cavalry pattern, blue cloth, with a band of black mohair braid 1 1/2" deep. Kenya police detachable gilt badge worn in front. Chin strap black patent leather 3/8" wide, and small gilt regulation button at each end. Plain patent black leather peak. Khaki cover for general use. Commissioner of Police 2 rows gold oakleaf braid on peak, Assistant Commissioners 1 row.

- 8. \* SLACKS. Khaki drill. To be worn turned up at ankles and with black shoes and khaki socks.

NOTE. This dress to be worn only for office use.

- 9. GRAND COAT. Blue, pattern as issued to rank and file. Gilt badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.
- 10. WATERPROOF. Burberry shawl, with brass buckle to waist belt.

- 11. SAFARI DRESS.  
Safari Tunic. A loose fitting khaki drill tunic made from Crown Agents' standard M.P. 2134 with polo collar opening from the neck with 3 regulation gilt buttons down the front. Shoulder badges as for tunic.

Short sleeves - cut off at elbow. The tunic to be open down the front, with vent in centre of back.

Khaki stockings and brogue shoes may be worn with safari tunic.

FULL DRESS.

- 12. TUNIC. As in paragraph 1.
- 13. SHIRT. As in paragraph 2 - but worn with starched white collar and black tie.



- 14. BREECHES. Light buff Bedford cord. Strappings of same material buttoned on inside of leg and 3 buttons to each above top of boot. Fly front.
  - 15. BOOTS. Black "Greenleigh" with high counter.
  - 16. SPURS. Short necked 1" steel, black plain cross strap. Chain to be fitted to counter of boot.
- NOTE. Paragraphs 14, 15 and 16 will also apply to mounted officers.
- 17. SHOULDER. As in paragraph 6.

MESS DRESS.

- 18. MESS JACKET. Shell, dark blue cloth, edged all round with  $\frac{3}{4}$ " black mohair braid, two circles of same at point behind. Shoulder straps of same material.
- Badges. Regulation silver encircled miniature cloth worn on shoulder straps.

COLLAR. Stand up, edged with  $\frac{3}{4}$ " black mohair braid with tracing of braid below and line of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " square braid at bottom.

CUFF. Pointed  $\frac{3}{4}$ " deep. An Austrian knot of black square cord extending to  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " with a tracing of braid all round, a black tracing braided figure on each side.

MAINTCOAT. White pique, 3 small regulation uniform pattern buttons.

OVERALLS. Dark blue cloth with broad stripe  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide of plain black mohair braid, black leather footstraps with steel buckle.

COLLAR. White stiff linen.

NECKTIE. Black silk.

BOOTS & SPURS. Wellington boots and steel spurs.

CAP. As in No. 7 but worn without khaki cover.

EQUIPMENT.

19. Universal pattern "Sax Browne" belt with one brace.

SWORD. Infantry pattern, brown leather scabbard, frog and sword knot.

REVOLVER. Webley service pattern (.450).

HIVERSACK. Khaki Infantry pattern.

HAT/BOTTLE. Infantry pattern - No. VI (Officers).

BADGES OF RANK. Commissioner - Crown and 1 star.

Regulation black for general wear. Asst. Commrs. - Crown

Regulation gilt to be worn on Great Coat. Superintendents. - 3 stars.

Regulation silver cloth to be worn on mess dress. Asst. Superintendents. - 2 stars.

{ Probationary  
Asst. Supts.  
{ Cadet Officers } 1 star.  
Acting Asst.  
{ Supts. }

HAT BADGE. Gilt - Regulation pattern.

COLLAR BADGES. Gilt - Regulation pattern.

NOTE. Khaki drill clothing is best obtained in the Colony.  
Sealed patterns of some of the articles of kit can be seen on application to the Pattern Room of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4, Millbank, London, S.W.1. between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Saturdays 9.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

OFFICERS' EQUIPMENT - PURCHASE OF

No particular firm can be recommended from which to obtain the undermentioned kit, but the Commissioner of Police suggests that newly appointed officers with limited means should in the first place get in touch with Messrs. Gore & Co. of 40, Panton Street, Haymarket, London, S.W.1., he having personally ascertained that this firm is in a position to supply the whole of the essential articles of kit at very moderate terms.

- (1) 1 Pair black Greenleigh boots for full dress occasions (with high counter).  
1 pair brown polo boots. (Field boot pattern).  
1 pair short necked steel spurs, with straps for both boots.
- (2) 1 Helmet, Wolseley Khaki with removable head-lining and blue flash on left side.  
1 Service cap, blue (Ceylon Police Officers pattern with khaki cover).  
1 Civilian topee, white with blue silk puggaree, Police line and removable head-lining.  
2 Spare head-linings.
- (3) 1 saddle (Sowter or Whippy only, complete with girths, numnah, stirrup leathers and irons).  
1 Double bridle with standing martingale.
- (4) 1 Sam Browne belt with frog, not new, and well coloured.  
1 Silk mourning band.
- (5) 1 raincoat (Ceylon Police Pattern).
- (6) 1 pair light coloured khaki Bedford cord riding breeches, 3 buttons to knee and fly front.
- (7) Tain suits of palm beach material, these suits are very cheap, hardwearing, cool and smart.
- (8) 1 Wolseley valise for bedding, Bedding (blankets and sheets and pillows).  
The Police colours (Ties) and (Sashes).
- (9) White shirts with semi-stiff collars are to be worn with uniform with black ties. Brown boots with toe-caps are also to be worn.
- (10) All other articles such as Buttons, Hat-badges, Puttees, Ties and Blue great coats etc. may be purchased or obtained from the Headquarter Superintendent's Store, at the Depot in Nairobi.

If any probationary officer should have a .12 bore gun in his possession, he should bring it out with him. Motor cycles are better bought in the country.

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Crown Agents

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General Stores Dept

They will have a reply, please, to

Mr. Cliffe's minute of 1 July, regarding the  
memorandum on the purchase of <sup>other</sup> office equipment,

Kenya

M. Jewell

15. 8. 27

~~M. Jewell.~~

East African Dept.

Colonial Office

An amendment has been noted,  
but no acknowledgment sent  
you as we have been waiting  
to see the C.P. before doing  
so, as there are several questions  
to settle with him in connection with

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the amended regulations. When  
available a copy will be  
sent you.

L.P.

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KENYA.

No. 434

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI,  
KENYA.

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POL. OFFICE

16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 1927.

24 JUL 1927  
Copy to C.A. 20... 1927 B/c

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit  
herewith two copies of Kenya Police Standing  
Orders Nos. 25 and 58 embodying new Dress  
Regulations for the Force which have been  
approved subject to your covering sanction.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

*J. G. G. G. G.*  
GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON S.W.

(No. 26) UNIFORM, DRESS REGULATIONS. (U.T.R.)  
FOR OFFICERS (Commissioned) Kenya Police.

GENERAL AND DRESSING.

1. TUNIC. Khaki drill, waisted, skirted, and cut long, with stand and fall collar (opening not to exceed 5 1/2 inches from collar stud), fastened with four regulation buttons. Four pockets, - Breast pockets pointed and fastened with one button and domed (push). Side pockets - flaps cut square. Plain back with vent in centre seam to waist, ticket pocket between right breast and side pockets. Whistle pocket cut in, the inner side of left breast pocket. Sleeves with pointed cuffs with three small regulation buttons, worn close together.

No cloth belt, but made with hooks for Sam-Browne belt.

The two breast pockets to have 1 1/2" pleat down centre, 6 1/2" wide, 8" deep from top of flap.

Top edge of pocket in line with top button, three pointed flap, fastened with regulation buttons. Side expanding pockets 9" wide at top; 10" deep, 1 1/2" wide at bottom, straight flap fastened with regulation button.

Cuffs 6 1/2" deep at point and 2 1/2" behind.

Badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.

Yorbo brass badges to be worn on collar.

Badges of rank to be in black & regulation size.

Blue whistle lanyard worn over left shoulder.

2. SHIRT. Worn with tunic, white, with soft collar and black tie.
3. SHORTS. Khaki drill, cut to top of knee cap and cut wide.
4. PUTTAN. Blue Fox's spiral with black tapes.
5. BOOTS. Brown ankle with toe cap.
6. HELMET. Kitchener pattern, cork, covered with khaki drill. Khaki puggaree, 2" regulation blue flash left side; brass Kenya Police badge in front.
7. CAP. Cavalry pattern, blue cloth, with a band of black mohair braid 1 1/2" deep. Kenya Police detachable badge worn in front. Chin strap black patent leather 1/2" wide. Plain patent black leather peak. Khaki cover for general use. Commissioner of Police 2 rows gold oakleaf braid on peak, Assistant Commissioners 1 row.
8. SLACKS. Khaki drill. To be worn turned up at ankles and with black shoes and khaki socks.

NOTE:- This dress to be worn only for office use.

UNIFORMS.

- 9. GRAY COAT. Blue, pattern as issued to rank and file.  
Brass badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.
- 10. MATINEE COAT. "Gordings" scaled pattern. Burberry shade, with brass buckle to waist belt.
- 11. SAFARI TUNIC.  
Safari Tunic. A loose fitting khaki drill tunic with turned down collar opening from the neck with 5 regulation buttons - down the front, shoulder badges as for tunic.  
Short sleeves - cut off at elbow. The tunic to be open down the front, with vent centre of back.  
Khaki stockings and brown shoes may be worn with safari tunic.

Wool Dress.

- 12. TUNIC. - As in para 1.
- 13. SHIRT. As in para 3 - but worn with starched white collar and black tie.
- 14. BRACELETS. Light Buff Bedford cord. Strappings of same material, buttoned on inside of leg and 3 buttons to show above top of boot. Fly front.
- 15. BOOTS. Black "Greenleigh" with high counter.
- 16. SPURS. Short necked 1", black plain cross strap.  
Chain to be fitted to counter of boot.

NOTE:- Paras 14, 15 and 16 will also apply to mounted officers.

- 17. HELMET. As in para 6.

Wool Dress

- 18. Wool Jacket. Shell, dark blue cloth, edged all round with 3/4" black mohair braid, two circles of same at point behind. Shoulder straps of same material.  
Badges - Regulation silver cloth worn on shoulder straps.  
Collar. Stand up, edged with 3/4" black mohair braid with tracing of braid below and line of 1/2" square braid at bottom.  
Cuff. Pointed 1/2" deep. An Austrian knot of black square cord extending to 3/4" high with a tracing of braid all round, a black tracing braided figure on cap below.



WAISTCOAT. White pique, 3 small regulation uniform pattern buttons.

OVERALLS. Dark blue cloth with broad stripes 2 1/2" wide of plain black mohair braid, black leather footstraps with steel buckle.

COLLAR. White linen.

NECKTIE. Black silk.

BOOTS & SPURS. Wellington boots and spurs.

CAP. As in No. 9, but worn without khaki cover.

EQUIPMENT.

10. Universal pattern "Sam Browne" belt with one brace.

WORD. Infantry pattern, brown leather scabbard, frog and sword knot.

REVOLVER. Webley service pattern (.450).

HAVERBACK. Khaki infantry pattern.

BATERBATTLES. Infantry pattern - (officers).

BADGES OF RANK.

Regulation Black for general wear.

Regulation Oilt to be worn on Great Coat.

Regulation Silver Cloth to be worn on Mess Dress.

Commissioner - Crown and 1 Star

Asst. Comms. - Crown.

Superintendents - 3 Stars

Asst. Superintendents - 2 Stars.

Probationary }  
Asst. Supts. } - 1 Star.  
Acting Asst. Supts. }

HAT BADGE. Brass - Regulation Pattern.

COLLAR BADGE. Brass - Regulation Pattern.

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INSTR 4.

Regulations issued with Orders 12/14 are hereby cancelled.

Uniform now in possession of Officers may be worn out.

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Dark blue staff gorgets will be worn only by the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioners and Staff Officer.

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Helmet chin straps will on no occasion be worn down except when Officers are on mounted duties.

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of Standing Order No. 25 but of white instead of khaki drill.

- 4. Helmet. As per para 6 of Standing Order 25, but white with white puggaree and regulation blue Police flash.
- 5. Boots, puttees, shirt, collar and tie to be as laid down in Standing Order No. 25.
- 6. Full Dress. Full Dress Uniform for gazetted officers stationed at the Coast will be white with white shorts, brown ankle boots and puttees, etc. as detailed above.
- 7. Wess Dress at Coast.
  - A. Overalls, Blue, with Wellington boots and box spurs.
  - B. Jacket, white shell, instead of blue. Badges of rank to be gilt stars etc.
  - C. Mine regulation forage cap with white cover.

UNIFORM  
DRESS REGULATIONS. (U.D.R.)  
FOR GAZETTED OFFICERS, KENYA POLICE

Further to Standing Order No. 25.

1. White Uniform may be worn at the Coast by gazetted officers as may be ordered by the Senior Officer in charge of Unit.

White Uniform should not be worn on safari or during rain, etc.

2. Tunic. Pattern and cut to be in accordance with para 1 of Standing Order No. 25 but of white instead of khaki drill.

3. Shorts. To be in accordance with para. 5 of Standing Order No. 25 but of white instead of khaki drill.

4. Helmet. As per para 6 of Standing Order 25, but white with white puggaree and regulation blue Police flash.

5. Boots, puttees, shirt, collar and tie to be as laid down in Standing Order No. 25.

6. Full Dress. Full Dress Uniform for gazetted officers stationed at the Coast will be white with white shorts, brown ankle boots and puttees, etc. as detailed above.

7. Mess Dress at Coast.

- A. Overalls, blue, with Wellington boots and box spurs.
- B. Jacket, white shell, instead of blue. Badges of rank to be gilt stars etc.
- C. Blue regulation forage cap with white cover.

KENYA POLICE STANDING ORDERS.

(No. 25) UNIFORM DRESS REGULATIONS. (G.D.A.R.)  
for Superior (Commissioned) Officers, Kenya Police.

GENERAL AND WORKING.

1. TUNIC. Khaki drill, waisted, skirted, and cut long, with stand and fall collar (opening not to exceed 5 1/2 inches from collar stud), fastened with four regulation buttons. Four pockets, - Breast pockets pointed and fastened with one button and domed (push). Side pockets - flaps cut square. Flap back with vent in centre seam to waist, the top of it between right breast and side pockets. Whistle pocket cut in, the inner side of left breast pocket. Sleeves with pointed cuffs with three small regulation buttons, and close together.

No cloth belt, but made with hooks for same - worn belt.

The two breast pockets to have 1 1/2" pleat in centre, 6 1/2" wide, 2" deep from top of flap.

Top edge of pocket in line with top button, three pointed flap, fastened with regulation buttons. Side expanding pockets 9" wide at top; 10" deep, 11 1/2" wide at bottom, straight flap fastened with regulation button.

Cuffs 5 1/2" deep, at point and 2 1/2" behind.

Buttons of rank worn on shoulder straps.

Force brass buttons to be worn on collar.

Badges of rank to be in black & regulation size.

Blue whistle lanyard worn over left shoulder.

2. SHIRT. Worn with tunic, white, with soft collar and black tie.
3. SHORTS. Khaki drill, cut to top of knee, and cut wide.
4. BUTTONS. Blue F.W.'s spiral with black caps.
5. BOOTS. Brown ankle with toe cap.
6. HEELCAP. Kitchener pattern, cork, covered with khaki drill. Khaki guggaree, 2" regulation blue flash left side; brass Kenya Police badge in front.
7. CAP. Cavalry pattern, blue cloth, with a band of black mohair braid 1 1/2" deep. Kenya Police Retainable Badge worn in front. Chin strap black patent leather 3/4" wide. Plain patent black leather peak. Khaki cover for general use. Commissioner of Police 2 rows gold oak leaf braid on peak, Assistant Commissioners 1 row.
8. SLACKS. Khaki drill. To be worn turned up at ankles and with black shoes and khaki socks.

NOTES: This dress to be worn only for office use.

9. GREAT COAT. Blue, pattern as issued to rank and file.  
Brass badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.

10. WATERPROOF. "Coralings" styled pattern. "Burberry" shade,  
with brass buckle and waist belt.

11. SAFARI DRESS.

Safari Tunic. A loose fitting khaki drill tunic with  
turned down collar opening at the neck with 3 regulation  
buttons - down the front, shoulder buttons for tunic.

Short sleeves - cut off at elbow. The tunic to be  
open down the front, with vent centre of chest.

Khaki stockings and brown shoes to wear with  
safari tunic.

BULL DRESS.

12. TUNIC. As in para 1.

13. SHIRT. As in para 3 - but collar to be of white cloth  
lar and black tie.

14. BREECHES. Light buff Bedford cord. Turned up of same  
material, buttoned on inside of leg. 3 buttons to show  
above top of boot. Fly front.

15. BOOTS. Black "Greenlight" leather boots.

16. SPURS. Short necked 1", silver plated.

Chain to be fitted to spur.

NOTE:- Para 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

17. SKIRT. As in para 1.

WESS DRESS

18. WESS JACKET. Shell, dark blue cloth, with  
with 1/2" black mohair braid, to circles of collar at point  
behind. Shoulder straps of same material.

Badges. - Regulation silver buttons on collar  
straps.

COLLAR. Stand up, 1 1/2" black mohair braid  
tracing 1/2" wide and line of 1/8" silver on  
bottom.

HUFF. Pointed 1" deep. An Austrian knot of black  
square cord extending to 8" high with a tracing of braid  
all round, a black tracing braided figure on cap below.

WAISTCOAT. White pique, 3 small regulation uniform pattern buttons.

OVERALLS. Dark blue cloth with broad stripe 2 1/2" wide of plain black mohair braid. Black leather footstraps with steel buckles.

COLLAR. White linen.

NECKTIE. Black silk.

BOOTS & SPURS. Wellington boots and spurs.

CAP. As in No. 7, but worn without khaki cover.

EQUIPMENT

19. Universal pattern "Sam Browne" belt with one brass.

SWORD. Infantry pattern, brown leather scabbard, frog and sword knot.

REVOLVER. Webley service pattern (450).

Haversack. Khaki infantry pattern.

WATERBOTTLE. Infantry pattern - (Officers).

<u>BADGES OF RANK.</u>	Commissioner - Crown and 1 star
Regulation Black for general wear.	Asst. Commrs. - Crown.
Regulation Gilt to be worn on Great Coat.	Superintendents - 3 stars
Regulation Silver Cloth to be worn on Mess Dress.	Asst. Superintendents - 2 Stars.
	Probationary } Asst. Supdts. } - 1 Star.
	Acting Asst. Supdts. }

HAT BADGE. Brass - Regulation Pattern.

COLLAR BADGES. Brass - Regulation Pattern.

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Uniforms issued with orders 11/14 are hereby recalled.

Uniforms in possession of Officers as of date 11/14

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Dark blue staff gorgets will be worn only by the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioners, and Staff Officers.

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Helmet chin straps will not be used in any circumstances except when Officers are on mounted duties.

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Officers' trousers to be olive drab or khaki with light blue or khaki drill.

Officers' shirts to be olive drab or khaki with light blue or khaki drill.

Officers' jackets to be olive drab or khaki with light blue or khaki drill.

Full Dress. Full dress uniform for general use of Officers shall be as follows: (a) Trousers, olive drab or khaki, with light blue or khaki drill.

Full Dress Coat:

- A. Overalls, blue, with buttoned pockets and box pleats.
- B. Jacket, white with light blue or khaki drill.
- C. Trousers, olive drab or khaki, with light blue or khaki drill.

UNIFORM.  
DRESS REGULATIONS. (O.D.R.)  
FOR GAZETTED OFFICERS, S.E. PROVINCE

Subject to Standing Order No. 25.

White uniform to be worn at the Coast by gazetted officers as may be ordered by the Senior Officer in charge of unit.

White uniform should not be worn on safari or during rain, etc.

Striped pattern and cut to be in accordance with para 2 of Standing Order No. 25 but of white instead of black drill.

Shorts. Length to be in accordance with para 2 of Standing Order No. 25 but of white instead of black drill.

Shoes. As per para 6 of Standing Order No. 25, but white with white lugs and regulation blue police flash.

Boots, puttees, shirt, collar and tie to be as laid down in Standing Order No. 25.

Full Dress. Full dress uniform for gazetted officers stationed at the Coast will be white with white shorts, brown ankle puttees, etc. as detailed above.

Blue Dress Regulation.

A. Capelle, blue, with Wellington boots and puttees.

• Jacket, white drill, instead of blue. Buttons of jacket to be gilt steel etc.

B. Blue regulation horse cap with puttees etc.



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Mr. Seal 29.6.27 ps

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Mr. E. J. Harding.

Mr. ~~Trachey~~

Mr. J. Shuckburgh.

Mr. G. Grimble.

Mr. C. Davis.

Mr. S. Wilson.

Mr. ~~Chapman~~

Mr. ~~Clarendon~~

Mr. Amerg.



X10108 (2) Kenya

~~2 days~~  
Ans. no. 7

In reply to your minute  
G. 1609, of the 22 of May,  
we see no objection to the  
amendments to the  
Kenya Police Force Officers'  
Dress Regulations.

We note, however,  
that the copy of the  
memorandum on the  
purchase of Officers'  
equipment which you  
enclosed with your

DRAFT. Minute

Crown Agents  
General Stores Dept.

minute has not been  
attended as indicated

in para (c) of letter  
of 29 April (10528/27).

No doubt the necessary  
~~we should~~  
action has been taken in  
this matter since the  
date of your minute,  
and we should be glad  
to have a note confirming  
that this has been done.

(Sgd) C. A. d. Cliffe

G. A. West.

June 1951

G./609.

Mr Jewell.  
East African Dept.  
Colonial Office.  
S.W.I.

With reference to your minute of the 22/2/27,  
copy of which I enclose, we have now, in reply to  
our request received from the Colonial Secretary,  
Kenya, particulars of the amended Kenya Police Force  
Officers Dress Regulations as per attached.

We shall be glad to learn in due course if these  
Amendments are in order and meet with the Colonial  
Office's approval.



General Stores Dept.  
Crown Agents.  
12 /5/27.

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JUL 1927

*Ans. in 12*

Mr. F.R. Rose,  
General Stores Dept.  
Crown Agents.

With reference to your minute G/609  
of the 28th of January, we have received no  
copies of the Police Force Officers Dress  
Regulations (Kenya) and we think that you had  
better refer the matter to the Colonial  
Government.

M. Jewell  
22.2.27.

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OFFICERS EQUIPMENT & PURCHASE OF

It is suggested, that Officers proceeding on leave to England and those appointed there directly should purchase the following articles in England at the Establishments indicated, if possible:-

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| (1) 1 Pair Black Greenleigh boots for full dress occasions (with high counter).<br>1 Pair Brown Polo boots (Field boot pattern).<br>1 Pair short necked spurs, with straps for both boots.   | Messrs. Maxwell & Co.,<br>Dover Street, Piccadilly.                                    |
| (2) 1 Helmet, khaki with removable head-lining and blue flash on left side.<br>1 Service Cap, blue (Ceylon Police Officers' Pattern with khaki cover).<br>1 Civilian Topce, white with blue silk pugaree, <u>Police line</u> and removable head-lining.<br>2 Spare head-linings. | Messrs. Bates, Jermyn Street, or Hawkes & Co., 1 Saville Row.                          |
| (3) 1 Saddle (Bowtex or Shippy only, complete with girths, girths, stirrup leathers and irons).<br>1 Double bridle with standing martingale.   | Parker & Sons, St. Martin's Lane, or Moss Bros., Covent Garden or Hyman's of Victoria. |
| (4) 1 Tan Brown belt with Frog, not new, and well coloured.<br>1 Silk mourning Band.   | Hawkes & Co., 1 Saville Row.   |
| (5) 1 Cording Raincoat (Ceylon Police Pattern).  | Cording & Co., Piccadilly.   |
| (6) 1 Pair light coloured khaki cord riding breeches, 3 buttons to knee and fly front.   | Messrs. Sandilands, 15 Conduit Street.   |
| (7) Thin suits of Palm Beach material, these suits are very cheap, hard-wearing, cool, and smart.  | Portnum & Mason, Piccadilly.   |
| (8) 1 Wolseley Valise for bedding, Bedding (blankets and sheets and pillows). The Police colours (Ties) & (Sashes).  | W.H. Gore & Co., Panton St., Haymarket.  |
| (9) White shirts with semi-stiff collars are to be worn with uniform with close imitted black silk ties. Brown boots with toe-caps are also to be worn.  |  |
| (10) All other articles such as, Buttons, Hat-Badges, Puttees, Ties and Blue great coats etc. may be acquired from the Headquarter Superintendent's Store, at the Depot in Nairobi.  |  |

If any probationary officer should have a 12 bore gun in his possession, he should bring it out with him. Motor cycles are better bought in the country.

Ed. J.F. Wolseley-Bourne,  
for COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Police Headquarters,  
Nairobi, 8th February, 1927.

KENYA POLICE STANDING ORDERS.

(No. 25) UNIFORM: DRESS REGULATIONS. (U.D.R.)  
for superior (Commissioned) Officers, Kenya Police.

GENERAL AND WORKING.

- 1. TUNIC. Khaki drill, waisted, skirted, and cut long, with stand and fall collar (opening not to exceed 5 1/2 inches from collar stud), fastened with four regulation buttons. Four pockets, - Breast pockets pointed and fastened with one button and domed (push). Side pockets - flaps cut square. Plain back with vent in centre seam to waist, ticket pocket between right breast and side pockets. Whistle pocket cut in, the inner side of left breast pocket. Sleeves with pointed cuffs with three small regulation buttons, worn close together.

No cloth belt, but made with hooks for Sam-Browne belt.

The two breast pockets to have 1 1/2" pleat down centre, 6 1/2" wide, 18" deep from top of flap.

Top edge of pocket in line with top button, three pointed flap, fastened with regulation buttons. Side expanding pockets 9" wide at top; 10" deep, 1 1/2" wide at bottom, straight flap fastened with regulation button.

Cuffs 5 1/2" deep at point and 2 1/2" behind.

Badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.

Force brass badges to be worn on collar.

Badges of rank to be in black and regulation size.

Blue whistle lanyard worn over left shoulder.

- 2. SHIRT. Worn with tunic, white, with soft collar and black tie.

- 3. SHORTS. Khaki drill, cut to top of knee cap and cut wide.

- 4. PANTEES. Blue Fox's spiral with black tapes.

- 5. BOOTS. Brown ankle with toe cap.

- 6. HELMET. Kitchener pattern, cork, covered with khaki drill. Khaki pughræe, 2" regulation blue flash left side; brass Kenya Police badge in front.

7. CAP. Cavalry pattern, blue cloth, with a band of black mohair braid 1 1/2" deep. Kenya Police detachable badge worn in front. Chin strap black patent leather 3/4" wide. Plain patent black leather peak. Khaki cover for general use. Commissioner of Police 2 rows gold oakleaf braid on peak, Assistant Commissioners 1 row.

8. SLACKS. Khaki drill. To be worn turned up at ankles and with black shoes and khaki socks.

NOTE:- This dress to be worn only for office use.

9. GREAT COAT. Blue, pattern as issued to rank and file.  
Brass badges of rank worn on shoulder straps.

10. WATERPROOF. "Cordings" sealed pattern. Burberry shade, with brass buckle to waist belt.

11. SAFARI DRESS.

Safari Tunic. A loose fitting khaki drill tunic with turned down collar opening from the neck with 3 regulation buttons down the front, shoulder badges as for tunic.

Short sleeves - cut off at elbow. The Tunic to be open down the front, with vent centre of back.

Khaki stockings and brown shoes may be worn with safari tunic.

FULL DRESS.

12. TUNIC. As in para 1.

13. SHIRT. As in para 3 - but worn with starched white collar and black tie.

14. BREECHES. Light Buff Bedford cord. Strappings of same material, buttoned on inside of leg and 3 buttons to show above top of boot. Fly front.

15. BOOTS. Black "Greenleigh" with high counter.

16. SPURS. Short necked 1", black plain cross strap.  
Chain to be fitted to counter of boot.

NOTE:- Paras 14, 15 and 16 will also apply to mounted officers.

17. HELMET. As in para 6.

MESS DRESS.

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18. MESS JACKET. Shell, dark blue cloth, edged all round with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " black mohair braid, two circles of same at point behind. Shoulder straps of same material.

Badges.- Regulation silver cloth worn on shoulder straps.

COLLAR. Stand up, edged with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " black mohair braid with tracing of braid below and line of  $\frac{3}{8}$ " square braid at bottom.

CUFF. Pointed  $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep. An Austrian knot of black square cord extending to  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " high with a tracing of braid all round, a black tracing braided figure on cap below.

WAISTCOAT. White pique, 3 small regulation uniform pattern buttons.

OVERALLS. Dark blue cloth with broad stripe  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide of plain black mohair braid, black leather footstraps with steel buckle.

COLLAR. White linen.

NECKTIE. Black silk.

BOOTS & SPURS. Wellington boots and spurs.

CAP. As in No. 7, but worn without khaki cover.

EQUIPMENT.

19. Universal pattern. "Sam Browne" belt with one brace.

SWORD. Infantry pattern, brown leather scabbard, Frog and sword knot.

REVOLVER. Webley service pattern (.450).

HAVERSACK. Khaki Infantry pattern.

WATERBOTTLE. Infantry pattern - (Officers).

BADGES OF RANK.

Regulation Black for general wear.

Regulation Gilt to be worn on Great Coat.

Regulation Silver Cloth to be worn on Mess Dress.

Commissioner - Crown and 1 Star.

Asst. Comms. - Crown.

Superintendents. - 3 Stars.

Asst. Superintendents. - 2 Stars.

Probationary Asst. Supts. - 1 Star.

Acting Asst. Supts.

EAT BADGE. Brass - Regulation Pattern.

COLLAR BADGES. Brass - Regulation Pattern.



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During the present week two Superintendents of the Kenya Police Department who are just home on leave, have called here for copies of the new edition of the colonies Police Force Officers Dress Regulations which they state have just come into force in the colony.

The amended regulations I am given to understand contain a number of amendments and as these two officers are desirous of effecting the alterations to their uniforms whilst home on leave, we shall be obliged if we can be provided with a copy as soon as possible.

*J. R. Preece*

General Stores Dept.  
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28th January, 1927.

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