

## 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division <sup>(1)</sup>

Headquarters, 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division & Employment Platoon

### 13<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade <sup>(2)</sup>

Headquarters, 13<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles)

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Wiltshire Regiment (Duke of Edinburgh's Own)

### 15<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade

Headquarters, 15<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment)

1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The York and Lancaster Regiment

### 17<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade <sup>(3)</sup>

Headquarters, 17<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers

2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment

6<sup>th</sup> (Morayshire) Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's)

### Divisional Troops

5<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Reconnaissance Corps <sup>(2)</sup>

7<sup>th</sup> Bn. The Cheshire Regiment <sup>(3)</sup>

Headquarters, 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Royal Artillery

91<sup>st</sup> (4<sup>th</sup> London) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

92<sup>nd</sup> (5<sup>th</sup> London) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

156<sup>th</sup> (Lanarkshire Yeomanry) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery <sup>(4)</sup>

52<sup>nd</sup> (6<sup>th</sup> London) Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Artillery

18<sup>th</sup> Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery <sup>(5)</sup>

Headquarters, 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Royal Engineers  
38<sup>th</sup> Field Company, Royal Engineers (6)  
245<sup>th</sup> (Welsh) Field Company, Royal Engineers  
252<sup>nd</sup> (West Lancashire) Field Company, Royal Engineers  
254<sup>th</sup> (West Lancashire) Field Park Company, Royal Engineers

5<sup>th</sup> Divisional Signals, Royal Corps of Signals

Headquarters, 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Royal Army Service Corps (8)  
19<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps  
34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps  
51<sup>st</sup> Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps  
xx Divisional Troops Company, Royal Army Service Corps

Headquarters, 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Royal Army Medical Corps (9)  
141<sup>st</sup> (County of London) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps  
158<sup>th</sup> (Welsh) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps  
164<sup>th</sup> (West Lancashire) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps  
24<sup>th</sup> Field Hygiene Section, Royal Army Medical Corps

xx Mobile Bath Unit, Royal Army Ordnance Corps (10)

5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Field Cash Office, Royal Army Pay Corps

5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Field Post Office, Royal Engineers

5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisional Provost Company, Corps of Military Police

## NOTES:

1. The 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division was a pre-war Regular Army formation, which was based at Catterick Camp in Northern Command. It was not up to the full infantry divisional establishment. The division had arrived in France in December 1939 with only two brigades. It was brought up to establishment and joined II Corps, and later III Corps. The division fought at the battle of the Ypres – Comines Canal between 26 and 28 May 1940 whilst under the command of II Corps. The division was evacuated from Dunkirk in Late May 1940. On its return to the United Kingdom, the division was re-equipped before the 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Brigades were detached for the invasion of Madagascar in April 1942. The rest of the division went to India, where the units were reunited in August 1942. The division was only in India for a short period, leaving on 20 August 1942 to travel by sea to Iraq. On arrival on 28 August 1942, it came under command of III Corps in Iraq, later moving to Persia. It left on 31 January 1943 to travel by land through Syria to Egypt, where it joined XIII Corps in preparation for the landing in Sicily on 10 July 1943. It fought throughout the campaign, moving to Italy on 3 September 1943.
2. On 15 January 1941, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bn. The Tower Hamlet Rifles joined as the divisional reconnaissance regiment. On the 30<sup>th</sup> January 1941, the battalion was redesignated as the 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Reconnaissance Corps. On the 6<sup>th</sup> June 1942, it became known as the 5th Regiment, Reconnaissance Corps.
3. The battalion joined as the divisional machine gun battalion on 11 November 1941. The battalion was a second line Territorial Army battalion which had been based at Macclesfield in September 1939. The battalion had served in France and Belgium in May 1940 as Corps Troops before joining the division.
4. This regiment had been formed in April 1940 as a duplicate of the 155<sup>th</sup> (Lanarkshire Yeomanry) Field Regiment. The regiment had sailed for North Africa in July 1942 and joined the division in Iraq on 29 August 1942 in place of the 9<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment, which had remained in Madagascar.
5. This regiment had been formed in December 1938 as part of the Territorial Army. It joined the division on 5 February 1942 whilst serving in Iraq. It remained with the division for the rest of the war.

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