

The 1914 Star

AKA "The Mons Star"

Navy

Admiralty Weekly Order 6 – 1914 Star – Issue.

(M.C. 17433/18 – 2.1.1919)

The 1914 Star is now ready for issue and applications on behalf of Officers and men entitled should be made to the Accountant General (Medal Branch) on Form S.540, stating for what service the claim is made.

2. The award is to the Officers and men of the R.N., R.M., R.N.A.S., R.N.R., and R.N.V.R. who actually served in France or Belgium between the 5th August and midnight 22nd/ 23rd November. The Star is not granted to any Officer or man employed on special or temporary shore service but not definitely appointed to a shore Unit.
3. Provided the claims are approved by the Admiralty, Officers and men of the following Naval Units are entitled to the Star:-
 - Naval Transport Staffs ashore.
 - Armoured Trains.
 - Naval Mission with Belgian Army.
 - Machine Gun Parties landed from H.M. Ships "Severn", "Mersey", and "Hunter".
 - R.N. Hospital, Dunkirk.
 - R.N.A.S., Dunkirk.
 - R.N.A.S., No. 1 and No. 3 Wings.
 - R.N.A.S., Armoured Cars.
 - R.M. Brigade, Ostend.
 - R.N. Division, Antwerp.
4. Those who have deserted or been dismissed with disgrace since the date of qualifying service will not be granted the Star
5. Application on behalf of those entitled to the Star for service with the Army will be made to the Secretary, War Office (Medal Branch), 27, Pilgrim Street, E.C.4. Stars are at present ready for issue to the Household Cavalry, Foot Guards and Highland Regiments only.

(M.O.'s 5/18 and 331/18).

Admiralty Weekly Order 4036 – 17/12/1919 – Clasp to the “1914 Star” – Award.

(C.W. 3034/19 – 17.12.1919)

His Majesty the King having been pleased to approve the grant of a clasp to the Officers and men who have been awarded the '1914 Star' and who actually served under the fire of the enemy in France and Belgium between the 5th August, 1914, and midnight 22nd/ 23rd November, the following regulations for the award of the clasp are issued for information:-

1. The clasp will be in bronze and will bear the inscription: '5th Aug.-22nd Nov., 1914'.
2. In undress uniform when ribands are worn, the grant of a clasp will be denoted by the wearing of a small silver rose in the centre of the riband. Two small silver roses will be issued with each clasp.
3. Provided the claims are approved by the Admiralty, the clasp will be issued to Officers and men of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Royal Naval Reserve and Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve who were actually present on duty within range of the enemy's mobile artillery between the dates specified above.
4. The clasps earned by deceased Officers and men will be issued to their legatees or next of kin entitled to receive them.
5. Notification will be given when the roses and clasp are ready for issue, and no application should be made for them pending such notice.
6. The following units do not qualify for the clasp:-
 - (a) Transport Staffs.
 - (b) R.N. Hospital, Dunkirk.
 - (c) R.M. Brigade, Ostend.
 - (d) R.N.A.S., Dunkirk.
 - (e) R.N. Division, detachments at Dunkirk.
R.N. Division, Divisional Engineers.
R.N. Division, Divisional Train.

(M.O. 6/19)

Army

No Australian Order has been located that republishes Army Order No. 350 of 1917 referred to in Army Order 361 of 1919 below.

Army Order 361, 1919 - "1914 Star- Grant of Clasp"

1. His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the issue of a clasp to officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men who have actually been awarded the '1914 Star' under Army Order 350 of 1917, and who actually served under fire of the enemy in France and Belgium between the 5th August, 1914, and midnight 22nd/ 23rd November, 1914.
2. The clasp will be in bronze and will bear the inscription: '5th Aug.-22nd Nov., 1914'.
3. Officers and soldiers who were actually present on duty within range of the enemy's mobile artillery and were on the strength of, or attached to the units and formations set forth in Appendix A between the above mentioned dates, will be eligible for the award.
4. An individual who served with a formation, otherwise than named in Appendix A, will only be granted the clasp on furnishing a certificate signed by an officer, warrant officer, or non-commissioned officer not below the rank of serjeant personally cognisant that the individual served on duty within a range of the enemy's mobile artillery during the period referred to in paragraph 1.
5. Two small silver roses will be issued with the clasp to each approved individual.
6. Officers commanding units and heads of departments will forward nominal rolls of troops now serving under their command entitled to the clasp, to the Secretary, War Office (AC 10), 27, Pilgrim Street, E.C.4. The rolls should be made out in duplicate in conformity with the specimen shown in Appendix B.
7. Individuals not now serving should apply on special forms (which can be obtained on application to any head or branch post office in a town or to any post office in the country districts), to the officer in charge of the record office of the corps in which they last served. If possible the certificate which is referred to in paragraph 5 (and which will be found on the form), should be first completed and signed as directed thereon. Officers in charge of records will forward all applications through the officer commanding the unit concerned, to the Secretary, War Office (AG 10), 27, Pilgrim Street, E.C.4. Applications made otherwise than on the prescribed form will be ignored.

APPENDIX A (as amended)

(Note the "Appendix A" shown here is as amended by Army order 52 of 1920 and army order 70 of 1921. some units are removed and some are added to the original AO361 by these amendments)

General Headquarters (1st and 2nd Echelons).

Headquarters Staff of Corps (Cavalry, First, Second, Third, Fourth and Indian Corps).

Headquarters Staffs of Divisions (First, Second and Third Cavalry, First to Eighth (inclusive), Lahore, Meerut.)

Headquarters of Brigades (1st-7th Cavalry Brigades, 9th (Secunderbad) Cavalry Brigade 1st- 25th Infantry Brigades (inclusive) Ferozepore, Jullundar, Dehra Dun, Garhwal and Bareilly Brigades).

Cavalry & Yeomanry

1st Life Guards, 2nd Life Guards, Royal Horse Guards.

2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th Dragoon Guards.

1st Royal Dragoons, 2nd Dragoons (Royal Scots Greys), 3rd Hussars, 4th Hussars, 5th Lancers, 9th Lancers, 10th

and 11th Hussars, 12th Lancers, 15th Hussars, 16th Lancers, 18th, 19th, 20th Hussars.

North Irish Horse ('A' and 'C' Squadrons), South Irish Horse ('B' Squadron).

Oxfordshire Hussars, North Somerset Yeomanry, Leicestershire Yeomanry, Northumberland Hussars, Northampton Yeomanry.

Indian Cavalry

4th Cavalry, 15th Lancers, 20th Deccan Horse, 34th Poona Horse, Jodhpore Lancers.

Royal Horse Artillery

'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'J', 'K', 'L', 'M', 'N', 'O', 'P', 'Q', 'R', 'S', 'T', 'U', 'V', 'W', 'X', 'Y', 'Z' Batteries.

Ammunition Columns, IIIrd, Vth VIIth, XIVth., XVth, Brigades Royal Horse Artillery.

Royal Field Artillery

II, IV, VII, IX, XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVIII, XXII, XXIII, XXIV, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIX, XL, XLI, XLII, XLIII, XLIV, XLV Brigades.

Divisional Ammunition Columns

First - Eighth Divisions (inclusive), Lahore Division, Meerut Division.

Anti-Aircraft Sections, Nos. 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Royal Garrison Artillery

Heavy Batteries (including Ammunition Columns), 24th, 26th, 31st, 35th, 48th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 118th, 119th.

Siege Batteries, Nos. 1-8 (inclusive).

Anti Aircraft Sections, No. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12.

1st Pom-Pom Anti-Aircraft Section.

Royal Flying Corps

2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Aeroplane squadrons.

Royal Engineers and Signals

2nd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 15th, 17th, 23rd, 26th, 38th, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th and 59th Field Companies.

1st, 2nd and 3rd Field Squadrons, Royal Engineers.

20th and 42nd Fortress (Lines of Communication) Companies.

No.1 Bridging Train, No. 2 Bridging Train.

The Royal Anglesey Royal Engineers, No 1 Siege Company.

1st, 2nd and 3rd Signal Squadrons, Cavalry, Corps Signal Squadrons.

1st-8th Divisional Signal Companies, i.e., 32nd and 35th Divisional Signal Companies.

"A" or I Corps Signal Company—"D" and "G" Airline Sections and "H" and "K" Cable Sections.

"B" or II Corps Signal Company—"E" Airline Section and "E", "O", "P" and "N" Cable Sections.

"C" or III Corps Signal Company—"F" Cable Section.

Sappers and Miners

No. 1 Field Troop, 1st Sappers and Miners.

Nos. 3 and 4 Companies, 1st Sappers and Miners.

Nos. 20 and 21 Companies, 3rd Sappers and Miners.

Foot Guards

Grenadier Guards, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Coldstream Guards, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Battalions.

Scots Guards, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Irish Guards, 1st Battalion.

Infantry

Royal Scots, 2nd and 8th Battalions.

Royal West Surrey Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

East Kent Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Royal Lancaster Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Northumberland Fusiliers, 1st Battalion.

Royal Warwickshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Royal Fusiliers, 1st and 4th Battalions.

Liverpool Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Norfolk Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Lincolnshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Devonshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Suffolk Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Somerset Light Infantry, 1st Battalion.

West Yorkshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

East Yorkshire Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Leicestershire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Royal Irish Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Yorkshire Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Lancashire Fusiliers, 2nd Battalion.

Royal Scots Fusiliers, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Cheshire Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Royal Welsh Fusiliers, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

South Wales Borderers, 1st Battalion.

King's Own Scottish Borderers, 2nd Battalion.

Scottish Rifles, 1st, 2nd and 5th Battalions.

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 2nd Battalion.

Gloucestershire Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Worcestershire Regiment, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Battalions.

East Lancashire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

East Surrey Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, 1st Battalion.

West Riding Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Border Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Royal Sussex Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Hampshire Regiment, 1st Battalion.

South Staffordshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Dorsetshire Regiment, 1st Battalion.

South Lancashire Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Welsh Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Royal Highlanders, 1st, 2nd and 5th Battalions.

Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, 2nd Battalion.

Essex Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Northamptonshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Royal Berkshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Royal West Kent Regiment, 1st Battalion.

Yorkshire Light Infantry, 2nd Battalion.

Shropshire Light Infantry, 1st Battalion.

Middlesex Regiment, 1st, 2nd and 4th Battalions.

King's Royal Rifle Corps, 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Wiltshire Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.
Manchester Regiment, 1st and 2nd Battalions.
North Staffordshire Regiment, 1st Battalion.
York and Lancaster Regiment, 2nd Battalion.
Durham Light Infantry, 2nd Battalion.
Highland Light Infantry, 2nd Battalion.
Seaforth Highlanders, 1st and 2nd Battalions.
Gordon Highlanders, 1st and 2nd Battalions.
Cameron Highlanders, 1st Battalion.
Royal Irish Rifles, 1st and 2nd Battalions.
Royal Irish Fusiliers, 1st Battalion.
Connaught Rangers, 1st and 2nd Battalions.
Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, 2nd Battalion.
Leinster Regiment, 2nd Battalion.
Royal Munster Fusiliers, 2nd Battalion.
Rifle Brigade, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Battalions.
Hertfordshire Regiment, 1st Battalion.
Honourable Artillery Company, 1st Battalion.
London Regiment, 5th, 13th, 14th, 16th Battalions.
Monmouthshire Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Indian Infantry

6th Jat Light Infantry.
9th Bhopal Infantry.
15th Sikhs.
34th Sikh Pioneers.
1/39th Garhwal Rifles.
2/39th Garhwal Rifles.
41st Dogras.

47th Sikhs.

57th Rifles (F.F.)

58th Rifles (F.F.)

59th Rifles (F.F.)

107th Pioneers.

129th Baluchis.

2/2nd Gurkha Rifles.

2/3rd Gurkha Rifles.

2/8th Gurkha Rifles.

1/9th Gurkha Rifles.

Cyclist Companies

1st-8th Divisional Cyclist Companies (inclusive)

Army Service Corps

Headquarters, Royal Army Service Corps, of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Cavalry Divisions.

Drivers attached to 111th, 112th, 113th (less "A" Section), 128th, 129th and 130th Indian Field Ambulances.

Drivers attached to Nos. 2 and 3 Motor Ambulance Convoys. 90th Company (1st Auxiliary Mechanical Transport Company) and 91st (Motor Bus) Company.

Ammunition Parks and Supply Columns, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Cavalry Divisions.

Divisional Ammunition Parks, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 7th. Divisional Trains and Supply Columns, 1st-8th Divisions (inclusive).

19th Infantry Brigade Train.

Army Veterinary Corps

1st-15th Mobile Veterinary Sections.

Supply and Transport Corps (Indian)

Headquarters, Lahore and Meerut Divisional S.T.

Lahore and Meerut Divisional Trains and Supply Columns.

Royal Army Medical Corps and British Troops

1st-7th Cavalry Field Ambulances:

1st-26th Field Ambulances.

1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th and 8th Ambulance Trains.

Nos. 3, 4 and 6 Casualty Clearing Hospitals.

7th, 8th, 19th and 20th British Field Ambulances, (attached Lahore and Meerut Divisions).

Combined Medical Units with British and Indian Troops-

Combined Field Ambulance, Indian Medical Service (originally designated 9th Cavalry Brigade, Indian Field Ambulance, subsequently 141st Cavalry Field Ambulance).

Indian Medical Units with Indian Troops—

111th, 112th, 113th (less "A" Section), 128th, 129th and 130th Indian Field Ambulances).

Note:—The description of all units is that held during the qualifying period for the award of the clasp to the "1914 Star".