ROYAL SIGNALS

UNIT LOCATIONS

1.	11 (RSS) Sig Regt, 15 Sig Regt	6.	14 Sig Regt (EW)	11.	22 Sig Regt
2.	3 Sig Regt	7.	299 Sig Sqn	12.	2 Sig Regt
3.	39 Sig Regt	8.	216 Sig Sqn	13.	32 Sig Regt
4.	21 Sig Regt, 10 Sig Regt	9.	37 Sig Regt		
5.	71 Sig Regt	10.	30 Sig Regt		
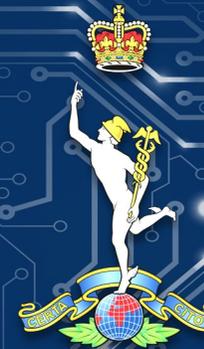
THE ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

Leaders in a Digital Age

COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEER SYSTEMS OPERATOR

The Army runs on its ability to communicate effectively and Communications Systems Operators are the mechanism by which it achieves this. They operate and use hi-tech communication systems, including satellite and mobile technology to provide the passage of information across the battlefield on behalf of the commander.

CS Operators are experts in operating a large array of communication information systems from radio systems, civilian and military satellite and computer networks.

As an operator, there are a whole range of specialisations open. E.g Special Forces Communicator or Explosive Ordnance Disposal operator.

Entry standards:

2 x GCSE at Grade D/3. English and Maths or Science or ICT. Technical Selection Test = 19.

ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS OPERATOR

Electronic Warfare Systems Operators have a similar role to Communication Systems Operator - operating radio, satellite and digital communications anywhere in the works at any given time. However in addition they listen to what the enemy are saying and if necessary intercept messages, locate the enemy and when needed jam their frequencies during times of conflict.

They are highly trained to locate possible enemy targets and report what you find up the chain of command. This assists high ranking officers in building a battle plan and targeting their fighting force more effectively.

EW Operators are usually promoted to LCpl immediately after finishing Initial Trade Training.

Entry standards:

3 x GCSEs at Grade C/4 in Maths and English and Science or a foreign language. Technical Selection Test = 25.

COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEER SYSTEM ENGINEER

The Army's troops need to communicate in combat, and Communication Systems Engineers look after the networks and technology for them to be able to do that. They repair and manage digital radios, satellite systems, computer networks and interface equipment. They also deal with wireless and internet-based technologies and are trained in all kinds of commercial software.

The technical gurus of the communications world, CS Engineers are ultimately responsible for the diagnostics, maintenance and testing of all Royal Signals IT and communications equipment for use on the battlefield and on operations.

CS Engineers are usually promoted to LCpl immediately after finishing Initial Trade Training.

Entry standards:

3 x GCSEs at Grade C/4 in Maths and English and Science or ICT. Technical Selection Test = 26.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER COMMUNICATIONS

Electrical Engineers are responsible for the design, set up and servicing of all field power generators, both on the battlefields and in military bases. These are crucially important for all Royal Signals communication systems, without these power generators - there would be no form of communication on the battlefield!

Electrical Engineers will be trained in the mechanical and electrical repair of field generators and learn to install and maintain AC and DC generators. They also gain qualifications in 18 Edn Wiring Regulations.

Royal Signals Electricians are given a large amount of responsibility from very junior rank, often in part responsible for the power plan of an entire deployed headquarters.

Entry standards:

1 x GCSE at Grade D/3 in Maths or Physics. Technical Selection Test = 19.

COMMUNICATIONS TRANSPORT SPECIALIST

Communications Transport Specialists are responsible for the timely sourcing, delivery, issue and maintenance of a huge range of technical kit and equipment used in the Royal Signals.

They are trained to drive a variety of forklifts and large trucks and in the use of advanced computer systems.

The ultimate 'driving force' behind the Royals Signals, Transport Specialists are responsible for the issue of a diverse range of highly technical communications equipment contributing to the Army's communications infrastructure.

No qualifications required but you start an apprenticeship as soon as you finish training. This can progress to a civilian recognised qualification with Lincoln University.

Entry standards:

No GCSEs required. Technical Selection Test = 19

COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEER INSTALLATION

Installation Technicians install, maintains and repairs telephone systems and fibre optic networks. Essentially an Army Communication infrastructure engineer they are responsible for every piece of cable and fibre the Army lays around the world.

They are trained in the technical skills you need to install, service and repair telephone exchanges and fibre optic networks.

As a sought after resource Installation Technicians are often trusted to work independently on overhead telephone lines, (gaining the necessary safety certificates) and can qualify as a Aerial Rigger, installing antennas on communication masts and towers.

Entry standards

2 x GCSEs at Grade C/4 in English Language and Maths or Science. Technical Selection Test = 25.

ROYAL SIGNALS SPECIALIST ROLES

264 (SAS) Sig Sqn	299 (SC) Sig Sqn
Special Forces Communicators integrate and support 22 SAS on various operations around the world. You will earn an additional £17.57 on top of your daily pay.	Special communicators work with other governmental departments in the UK and overseas. You will earn an additional £11.98 on top of your daily pay.
216 (Para) Sig Sqn	**3 CDO Bde**
The role of 216 Para Signals Sqn is to provide support to 16 Air Assault Brigade. You will earn an additional £5.63 on top of your daily pay.	The role of Royal Signals soldiers posted to the Royal Marines is to support 3 Commando Brigade.

Cyber

Opportunities are available to work with Specialist Cyber Units within the Royal Signals.

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