

The next roulement of UK forces in Afghanistan is due to take place in April 2012. The UK's current framework Brigade in Helmand, 20th Armoured Brigade, will be replaced by 12th Mechanized Brigade. Details of the make up of the Force are below.

The forces deploying include:

12th Mechanized Brigade Headquarters and Signal Squadron (228)

Elements of 19th Light Brigade Headquarters

Headquarters 102 Logistic Brigade

The King's Royal Hussars

The Light Dragoons

Elements of 1st Royal Tank Regiment

Elements of The Royal Wessex Yeomanry

19th Regiment Royal Artillery

Elements of 5th Regiment Royal Artillery

Elements of 12th Regiment Royal Artillery

Elements of 16th Regiment Royal Artillery

Elements of 32nd Regiment Royal Artillery

Elements of 39th Regiment Royal Artillery

Elements of 40th Regiment Royal Artillery

26 Engineer Regiment

Elements of The Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia)

Elements of 21 Engineer Regiment

Elements of 33 Engineer Regiment (Explosive Ordnance Disposal)

Elements of 36 Engineer Regiment (Search)

Elements of 38 Engineer Regiment

Elements of 42 Engineer Regiment (Geographical) Elements of The Military Stabilisation and Support Group

Elements of 170 (Infrastructure Support) Engineer Group

16th Signal Regiment

Elements of 10th Signal Regiment

Elements of 14th Signal Regiment (Electronic Warfare)

Elements of 21st Signal Regiment (Air Support)

1st Battalion The Grenadier Guards

1st Battalion The Welsh Guards

1st Battalion The Royal Anglian Regiment

3rd Battalion The Yorkshire Regiment (Duke of Wellington's Regiment)

1st Battalion The Royal Welsh

2nd Battalion The Royal Ghurkha Rifles

3rd Battalion The Rifles

Elements of The London Regiment

Elements of 3rd Battalion The Royal Anglian Regiment

Elements of 4th Battalion The Yorkshire Regiment

Elements of 6th Battalion The Rifles

Elements of 3 Regiment Army Air Corps

Elements of 4 Regiment Army Air Corps

Elements of 6 Regiment Army Air Corps

Elements of 9 Regiment Army Air Corps

Elements of Joint Helicopter Support Squadron

Elements of Allied Rapid Reaction Corps Support Battalion

4 Logistic Support Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

10 The Queen's Own Ghurkha Logistic Regiment

Elements of 9 Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 11 Explosive Ordnance Disposal Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 17 Port and Maritime Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 23 Pioneer Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps
Elements of 24 Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 27 Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 29 Regiment, The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 88 Postal and Courier Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 148 Expeditionary Force Institute Squadron (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 152 Transport Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 159 Supply Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 162 Movement Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 166 Supply Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of 151 Transport Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of the Catering Support Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

Elements of the Operational Headquarters Support Group (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps

4th Medical Regiment

22nd Field Hospital

Elements of 254 Medical Regiment (Volunteers)

4th Close Support Battalion Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

Elements of 104 Force Support Battalion Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

174 Provost Company Royal Military Police

Elements of 160 Provost Company Royal Military Police

Elements of Special Investigations Branch United Kingdom

Elements of The Military Provost Staff

Elements of 1st Military Working Dogs Regiment

Elements of 1st Military Intelligence Battalion

Elements of 2nd Military Intelligence Battalion

Elements of 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion

Elements of 4th Military Intelligence Battalion

Elements of 5th Military Intelligence Battalion

Elements of The Defence Cultural Specialist Unit

Elements of 15 Psychological Operations Group 604 Tactical Air Control Party

614 Tactical Air Control Party

621 Tactical Air Control Party

632 Tactical Air Control Party

2 (Army Co-Operation) Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 24 Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 30 Squadron, Royal Air Force

12(B) Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 5 (Army Co-Operation) Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 32 Squadron Royal Air Force

Elements of 28 Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 216 Squadron Royal Air Force

Elements of 101 Squadron Royal Air Force

Elements of 39 Squadron Royal Air Force

Elements of 27 Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 18 Squadron, Royal Air Force

617 Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 99 Squadron Royal Air Force

Elements of 78 Squadron, Royal Air Force

Number 5 Royal Air Force, Force Protection Wing Headquarters

Elements of Number 2 Royal Air Force Police Wing

Elements of Number 3 Royal Air Force Police Wing

51 Squadron, Royal Air Force Regiment

Elements of the Tactical Supply Wing, Royal Air Force

Elements of 1 Air Mobility Wing, Royal Air Force

Elements of 1 Air Control Centre, Royal Air Force

Elements of 90 Signals Unit, Royal Air Force

Elements of 2 (Mechanical Transport) Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 5001 Squadron, Royal Air Force Elements of 3 Mobile Catering Squadron

Elements of Tactical Medical Wing

Elements of 1 (Expeditionary Logistics) Squadron

Elements of 93 (Expeditionary Armaments) Squadron

Elements of Tactical Imagery Wing

Elements of 5131(BD) Sqn

Volunteer and ex-Regular members of the Reserve Forces will continue to deploy to Afghanistan as part of this integrated force package, and around 300 call-out notices are expected to be issued. On completion of their mobilisation procedures, the reservists will undertake a period of training and, where applicable, integration with their respective receiving units. The majority will serve on operations for around six months. As part of this commitment, up to six members of the Sponsored Reserves could be in theatre at any one time.

The UK's conventional force level is expected to remain at 9,500 for the duration of the deployment.

12th Mechanized Brigade's planned replacement formation will be 4th Mechanized Brigade.
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