

# **Location Overview**

# 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Grenadier Guards

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#### Aldershot Garrison HIVE

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#### **UNIT OVERVIEW**

1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Grenadier Guards, originally known as the Royal Regiment of Foot Guards, was formed in 1656 by King Charles II who was then in exile in Bruges, Flanders.

It was known as the First Guards before becoming the First Regiment of Foot Guards and now bears the title The First or Grenadier Regiment of Foot Guards in honour of the defeat of the Grenadiers of the French Imperial Guard at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815. It is the only Regiment in the British Army that has directly gained its title from the part it played in action.

1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Grenadier Guards are a modern and forward thinking infantry regiment. The variety and challenging nature of dismounted infantry soldiering has seen the regiment at the forefront of some of the most intense combat in recent years.

The Regiment is also heavily involved in Public and Ceremonial duties. Both the Battalion and Nijmagen Company, an incremental company based in Wellington Barracks in London, conduct ceremonial duties at Buckingham Place, Windsor Castle, St James's Palace and The Tower of London.

The unit is based at Lille Barracks in Aldershot and consists of three Rifle companies – The Queens Company, The Inkerman Company and 2 Company - a Support Company made up of an anti-tank platoon, a mortar platoon, a reconnaissance platoon and a sniper platoon and a Headquarter Company, which holds everyone else in the battalion including clerks, chefs and mechanics.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Grenadier Guards Army website can be found at: http://www.army.mod.uk/infantry/regiments/3485.aspx

#### **UNIT FACILITIES**

There are limited facilities available in Lille Barracks but serving personnel can use all facilities in Aldershot Garrison

#### **LONDIS Convenience Store**

Essential groceries, newspapers etc. Open from 9.00 am to 2.00 pm Mon to Fri. Closed at weekends.

## Dining facilities

Junior ranks restaurant and mess facilities for senior ranks. These dining facilities are not Pay As You Dine

# **Gymnasium**

Open from 7.00 am to 8.00 pm. Facilities include running machines, rowing machines cross trainers, and weight training.

A 5 a side football pitch and a rugby pitch is also available nearby

#### **UNIT ACCOMMODATION**

Single serving personnel in 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Grenadier Guards are accommodated in Lille Barracks

### **SLA for Junior Ranks**

4 man rooms with shared toilet and shower facilities. Single man rooms for soldiers with more than 3 years service or rank of Lcpl or Cpl.

To book SLA Tel:

 Queens Coy
 Inkerman Coy
 No 2 Coy
 Support Coy
 HQ Coy

 01252 347562
 01252 347652
 01252 347560
 01252 347566
 01252 347555

# **SLA for Sergeants and Warrant Officers and Officers**

Single man rooms with sink with shared shower and toilet facilities. Annex accommodation for Sgts and WOs providing single man rooms with en suite.

## **USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS**

These are the main Unit contact details. For any other Unit contact numbers please call the HIVE on Tel Mil: 94222 2650 or Civ: 01252 347650

	Mil	Civ
Guardroom	94222 2523	01252 347523
Unit Welfare Officer	94222 4207	01252 349207
Welfare Office	94222 4207	01252 349207
Padre	94222 8150	01252 355150
Army Welfare Service	94222 4914	01252 349914
The Queens Company	94222 2531	01252 347531
The Inkerman Company	94222 2516	01252 347516
2 Company	94222 2529	01252 347529
Support Company	94222 8145	01252 355145
HQ Company	94222 2515	01252 347515

This is a brief overview of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Grenadier Guards in Aldershot Garrison. The HIVE holds additional information should you require it and will research information on your behalf.