

## Rhodesian Army – Key to Abbreviations

### Ranks

2 Lt	2nd Lieutenant
A/Brig	Acting Brigadier
A/C/Sgt	Acting Colour Sergeant
A/Capt	Acting Captain
A/Col	Acting Colonel
A/Cpl	Acting Corporal
A/L/Cpl	Acting Lance Corporal
A/Lt Col	Acting Lieutenant Colonel
A/Maj	Acting Major
A/Maj Gen	Acting Major General
A/S/Sgt	Acting Staff Sergeant
A/Sgt	Acting Sergeant
A/WO1	Acting Warrant Officer First Class
A/WO2	Acting Warrant Officer Second Class
ARSM	African Regimental Sergeant Major
Bdr	Bombardier
Brig	Brigadier
Brig Gen	Brigadier General
Bugl	Bugler
C/Sgt	Colour Sergeant
Capt	Captain
Col	Colonel
Cpl	Corporal
CQMS	Company Quartermaster Sergeant
CSM	Company Sergeant Major
ERSM	European Regimental Sergeant Major
Gnr	Gunner
Hon Brig	Honorary Brigadier
Hon Col	Honorary Colonel
L/Bdr	Lance Bombardier
L/Cpl	Lance Corporal
L/Sgt	Lance Sergeant
Lt	Lieutenant
Lt Col	Lieutenant Colonel
Lt Gen	Lieutenant General
Maj	Major
Maj Gen	Major General
O Cdt	Officer Cadet
Pte	Private
Ptl Off	Potential Officer
PWO	Platoon Warrant Officer
QM	Quartermaster

Rct	Recruit
Rfn	Rifleman
RQMS	Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant
RMO	Regimental Medical Officer
RSM	Regimental Sergeant Major
S/Sgt	Staff Sergeant
Sgt	Sergeant
Smn	Signalman
Spr	Sapper
SQMS	Squadron Quartermaster Sergeant
SSM	Squadron Sergeant Major
T/2 Lt	Temporary 2nd Lieutenant
T/C/Sgt	Temporary Colour Sergeant
T/Capt	Temporary Captain
T/Cpl	Temporary Corporal
T/L/Cpl	Temporary Lance Corporal
T/Lt	Temporary Lieutenant
T/Lt Col	Temporary Lieutenant Colonel
T/Maj	Temporary Major
T/S/Sgt	Temporary Staff Sergeant
T/Sgt	Temporary Sergeant
T/WO1	Temporary Warrant Officer First Class
T/WO2	Temporary Warrant Officer Second Class
Tpr	Trooper
WO1	Warrant Officer First Class
WO2	Warrant Officer Second Class

### Units

1 Bde Sigs Sqn	1 Brigade Signal Squadron
1 (Indep) Coy RAR	1 (Independent) Company Rhodesian African Rifles
1 (Indep) Coy RR	1 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
1 CTC	1 Composite Transport Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
1 Engr Sqn	1 Engineer Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
1 Fd Amb Coy	1 Field Ambulance Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
1 Fd Regt	1 Field Regiment, Rhodesian Artillery
1 Maint Coy	1 Maintenance Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
1 Med Coy	1 Medical Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
1 Mil Postal Pl	1 Military Postal Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Administration
1 Pay Coy	1 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
1 POU	1 Psychological Operations Unit
1 Pro Pl	1 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corp of Military Police
1 Prtn Coy	1 Protection Company
1 RAR	1st Battalion Rhodesian African Rifles
1 RDR	1st Battalion Rhodesian Defence Regiment
1 RHU	1 Reinforcement Holding Unit

1 RLI	1st Battalion Rhodesian Light Infantry
1 RR	1st Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
1 Sigs Regt	1 Signal Regiment, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
1 Svc Bn	1 Service Battalion Rhodesian, Army Services Corps
10 RR	10th Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
10 Sigs Sqn	10 Signal Squadron, 1 Signal Regiment, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
11 Sigs Sqn	11 Signal Squadron, 1 Signal Regiment, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
12 Sigs Sqn	12 Signal Squadron, 1 Signal Regiment, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
2 Bde Sigs Sqn	2 Brigade Signal Squadron
2 (Indep) Coy RAR	2 (Independent) Company Rhodesian African Rifles
2 (Indep) Coy RR	2 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
2 CTC	2 Composite Transport Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
2 Engr Sqn	2 Engineer Squadron Rhodesian, Corps of Engineers
2 Fd Amb Coy	2 Field Ambulance Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
2 Maint Coy	2 Maintenance Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
2 Med Coy	2 Medical Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
2 Pay Coy	2 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
2 Pro Pl	2 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corp of Military Police
2 Prtn Coy	2 Protection Company
2 RAR	2nd Battalion Rhodesian African Rifles
2 RDR	2nd Battalion Rhodesian Defence Regiment
2 RHU	2 Reinforcement Holding Unit
2 RR	2nd Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
2 Svc Bn	2 Service Battalion, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
3 Bde Sigs Sqn	3 Brigade Signal Squadron
3 (Indep) Coy RAR	3 (Independent) Company Rhodesian African Rifles
3 (Indep) Coy RR	3 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
3 Air Sup Pl	3 Air Supply Platoon, Rhodesian Army Services Corp
3 Engr Sqn	3 Engineer Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
3 Fd Amb Coy	3 Field Ambulance Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
3 Maint Coy	3 Maintenance Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
3 Pay Coy	3 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
3 Pro Pl	3 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corp of Military Police
3 RAR	3rd Battalion Rhodesian African Rifles
3 RHU	3 Reinforcement Holding Unit
3 RRR	3rd (Northern Rhodesia) Battalion Royal Rhodesia Regiment
3 Svc Bn	3 Service Battalion, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
3 Wksps Coy	3 Workshops Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corp
4 Bde Engr Tp	4 Brigade Engineer Troop
4 (Indep) Coy RAR	4 (Independent) Company Rhodesian African Rifles
4 (Indep) Coy RR	4 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
4 Engr Sqn	4 Engineer Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
4 Fd Amb Coy	4 Field Ambulance Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
4 Maint Coy	4 Maintenance Company, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
4 Pay Coy	4 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
4 Pro Pl	4 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
4 RAR	4th Battalion Rhodesian African Rifles

4 RR	4th (Manicaland) Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
41 Tp	41 Signal Troop, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
5 (Indep Coy RR	5 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
5 (Indep) Coy RAR	5 (Independent) Company Rhodesian African Rifles
5 Engr Sp Sqn	5 Engineer Support Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
5 Med Coy	5 Medical Company, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
5 Pay Coy	5 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
5 Pro Pl	5 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
5 RR	5th Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
6 Comp Sqn	6th Composite Squadron (Rhodesian Corps of Signals and Rhodesian Corps of Engineers_
6 (Indep) Coy RAR	6 (Independent) Company Rhodesian African Rifles
6 (Indep) Coy RR	6 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
6 Engr Sqn	6 Engineer Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
6 Pay Coy	6 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
6 Pro Pl	6 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
6 RR	6th Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
7 (Indep) Coy RR	7 (Independent) Company Rhodesia Regiment
7 Engr Sqn	7 Engineer Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
7 Pay Coy	7 Pay Company, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
7 Pro Pl	7 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
7 RRR	7th (Northern Rhodesia) Battalion Royal Rhodesia Regiment
8 Pro Pl	8 Provost Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
8 RR	8th Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
8 Sigs Sqn	8 Signal Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
9 RR	9th Battalion Rhodesia Regiment
ACI	Army Counter Intelligence
ADPU	Army Data Processing Unit, Rhodesian Corps of Administration
AHU	Army Health Unit, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
APAR	Army Pay and Records, Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
Army DB	Army Detention Barracks
Army HQ	Headquarters, The Rhodesian Army
Army HQ (Svcs)	Army HQ Services
BAEC	Bulawayo Area Education Centre, Rhodesian Army Education Corps
Boat Sqn	Boat Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
Byo Base Wksps	Bulawayo Base Workshops, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
Cdo	Commando (RLI equivalent of Company)
COI	Corps of Infantry
COMOPS	Combined Operations HQ
CTD	Corps Training Depot
Dep RAR	Depot Rhodesian African Rifles (Shaw Barracks, Balla Balla)
Dep RDR	Depot Rhodesian Defence Regiment (Inkomo Barracks, Salisbury)
Dep RhA	Depot Rhodesian Artillery
Dep RhAEC	Depot Rhodesian Army Education Corps
Dep RR	Depot Rhodesia Regiment (Llewelin Barracks, Bulawayo)
Depot RhACR	Depot Rhodesian Armoured Car Regiment
DMI	Directorate of Military Intelligence

DMP	Directorate of Military Police
Dog Tp	Dog Troop, 5 Engineer Support Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
EDN	Education Directorate
ENGR	Engineers Directorate
Grey's	Grey's Scouts
HQ 1 Bde	HQ 1 Brigade
HQ 2 Bde	HQ 2 Brigade
HQ 3 Bde	HQ 3 Brigade
HQ 4 Bde	HQ 4 Brigade
HQ Mid Dist	HQ Midlands District
HQ Sby Dist	HQ Salisbury District
HQ SF	HQ Special Forces
MAEC	Midlands Area Education Centre, Rhodesian Army Education Corps
Malay Scts	Malayan Scouts
MED	Medical Directorate
Med Trg School	Medical Training School, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
MIU	Mounted Infantry Unit
NS Fd Tp	National Service Field Troop, 5 Engineer Support Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
OSD Byo	Ordnance and Supplies Depot Bulawayo
OSD Sby	Ordnance and Supplies Depot Salisbury
PAY	Pay Directorate
Plant Tp	Plant Troop, 5 Engineer Support Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
Pookie Tp	Pookie Troop, 5 Engineer Support Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
RAR	Rhodesian African Rifles
RDR	Rhodesia Defence Regiment
Records	Army Records, Rhodesian Corps of Administration
RhA	Rhodesian Artillery
RhAC	Rhodesian Armoured Corps
RhACR	Rhodesian Armoured Car Regiment
RhAdm	Rhodesian Corps of Administration
RhAEC	Rhodesian Army Education Corps
RhAMC	Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
RhAPC	Rhodesian Army Pay Corps
RhASC	Rhodesian Army Services Corps
RhCCh	Rhodesian Corps of Chaplains
RhE	Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
RhInf	Rhodesian Corps of Infantry
RhMP	Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
Rhod Def Force	Rhodesian Defence Force
RhSC	Rhodesian Staff Corps
RhSigs	Rhodesian Corps of Signals
RHU	Reinforcement Holding Unit
RIC	Rhodesian Intelligence Corps

RNR	Rhodesian Native regiment
RRR	Royal Rhodesian Regiment
RTO PI	Rail Transport Organisation Platoon, Rhodesian Corps of Administration
RWS	Rhodesian Women's Service
S Inf	School of Infantry, Gwelo
S Inf Demo Coy	School of Infantry Demonstration Company
S Scouts	Selous Scouts
S Sigs	School of Signals, Rhodesian Corps of Signals
SAEC	Salisbury Area Education Centre, Rhodesian Army Education Corps
SAS	C Sqn Special Air Service Regiment, C Sqn (Rhodesian) Special Air Service, 1 (Rhodesian) Special Air Service Regiment
Sby Base Wksp	Salisbury Base Workshops, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
SFA	Security Force Auxiliaries
SIGS	Signals Directorate
SME	School of Military Engineering, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers
SMP	School of Military Police, Rhodesian Corps of Military Police
SRTF	Southern Rhodesia Territorial Force
STS	Services Training School, Rhodesian Army Services Corp
STTC	Services Trade Training Centre, Rhodesian Army Services Corps
Svcs Area HQ (Mash)	Services Area Headquarters (Mashonaland), RhASC
Svcs Area HQ (Mat)	Services Area Headquarters (Matabeleland), RhASC
Tsanga	Tsanga Lodge, Rhodesian Army Medical Corps
Wkshp Tp	Workshop Troop, 5 Engineer Support Squadron, Rhodesian Corps of Engineers

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