

50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Division ⁽¹⁾

Headquarters, 50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Division & Employment Platoon

25th Infantry Brigade ⁽²⁾

Headquarters, 25th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2nd Bn. The Essex Regiment

1st Bn. The Royal Irish Fusiliers

1st/7th (Southwark) Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment (West Surrey)

150th Infantry Brigade ⁽³⁾

Headquarters, 150th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

4th Bn. The East Yorkshire Regiment (Duke of York's Own)

4th Bn. The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment)

5th Bn. The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment)

151st Infantry Brigade

Headquarters, 151st Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

6th Bn. The Durham Light Infantry

8th Bn. The Durham Light Infantry

9th Bn. The Durham Light Infantry

Divisional Troops

4th Bn. The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers ⁽⁴⁾

Headquarters, 50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Divisional Royal Artillery

72nd (Northumbrian) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

74th (Northumbrian) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

65th Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Artillery ⁽⁵⁾

Headquarters, 50th (Northumbrian) Divisional Royal Engineers
232nd (Northumbrian) Field Company, Royal Engineers
505th Field Company, Royal Engineers
235th (Northumbrian) Field Park Company, Royal Engineers

50th (Northumbrian) Divisional Signals, Royal Corps of Signals

Headquarters, 50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Divisional Royal Army Service Corps
522nd Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps
523rd Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps
524th Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps
xxx Divisional Troops Company, Royal Army Service Corps

Headquarters, 50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Divisional Royal Army Medical Corps
149th (Northumbrian) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps
150th (Northumbrian) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps
151st (Northumbrian) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps
xx Field Hygiene Section, Royal Army Medical Corps

xx Mobile Bath Unit, Royal Army Ordnance Corps

50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Divisional Field Cash Office, Royal Army Pay Corps

50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Divisional Field Post Office, Royal Engineers

50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Divisional Provost Company, Corps of Military Police

Attached from II Corps Troops

NOTES:

1. The division was a Territorial Army formation, which at the outbreak of war, was organised as a motor division with two brigades. It arrived in France on the 20th January 1940 and was placed under the command of the B.E.F.. The division was retained as a G.H.Q. Reserve. On the 19th May 1940, the division was ordered to concentrate on the Vimy Ridge north of Arras. until the 29th March 1940, when it came under the command of II Corps. Following the German invasion, it came under the command of the B.E.F. again, and then III Corps for a day before returning to the command of II Corps. The division fought in the battle for the Ypres – Comines Canal between the 26th and 28th May. The division was evacuated from Dunkirk on the 1st June 1940, returning to the United Kingdom.
2. This brigade had been formed in the United Kingdom on the 1st November 1939. It then comprised of the following battalions, the 4th Bn. The Buffs (Royal East Kent Regiment), the 4th (Westmorland) Bn. The Border Regiment and the 1st/5th Bn. The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment). The 4th Buffs were transferred from 133rd Infantry Brigade in 44th Infantry Division, the 4th Bn. Borders from 126th Brigade in 42nd Division, and 1st/5th Sherwood Foresters from 148th Brigade in 49th Division. The brigade arrived in France on 18th November 1939, and was allocated to Lines of Communication duties. On the 4th May 1940, the three above battalions left the command of the brigade to be replaced by the three battalions shown on the order of battle. It is presumed the three battalions which joined the brigade were already in France on L.o.C. duties. The brigade was placed under the command of 5th Division from the 4th to the 9th May 1940, from which it transferred to the 50th Division. On the 18th and 19th May, the brigade was attached to 3rd Division, then returning to the 50th Division. It left again on the 21st May to the 46th Division, and then on the 26th May 1940, it joined 2nd Division. The brigade was evacuated from Dunkirk on 31st May 1940. On return to the U.K., the brigade joined the 2nd London division, with which it remained until the end of the war.
3. This was a Territorial Army brigade, also known as the York and Durham Brigade. Brigadier (Temporary) Hubert Stanley KREYER, D.S.O., O.B.E., a Regular Army officer, commanded the brigade from the 21st January 1939 until the 9th April 1940. Lieutenant Colonel BUSH officiated until the 26th April 1940, when Brigadier C. W. HAYDON assumed command.
4. This unit was the divisional motor cycle battalion allocated for the reconnaissance role.
5. This regiment had joined the division on 20th November 1939, transferring from the 18th Infantry Division.

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