British Expeditionary Force  
As Organised on  
10 May 1940

Commander in Chief: General The Viscount Gort  
Chief of the General Staff: Lt-General H. R. Pownall  
Vice Chief of The General Staff: Major General T. R. Eastwood  
(from 12 May)  
Deputy Chief of the General Staff: Brigadier Sir Oliver Leese, Bt.  
(from 12 May)  
Director of Military Intelligence: Major General F. N. Mason-Macfarlane  
Adjutant-General: Lt-General Sir W. D. D. Brownrigg  
Quartermaster-General: Lt-General W G. Lindsell  
Military Secretary: Brigadier Sir C. Jardine, Bt.  
Major General Royal Artillery: Major General S. R. Watson  
Major General Anti-Aircraft Artillery: Major General H. G. Martin  
Engineer-in-Chief: Major General R. P. Pakenham-Walsh  
Signals Officer-in-Chief: Brigadier R. Chevenix-Trench  
Armoured Fighting Vehicles (Advisor): Brigadier V. V. Pope  
Director of Supply & Transport: Brigadier G. K. Archibald  
Director of Medical Services: Major General J. W. L. Scott

G. H. Q. Troops

Royal Armoured Corps:

1st Light Armoured Reconnaissance Brigade: Brigadier C. W. Norman
   1st Fife & Forfar Yeomanry
   1st East Riding Yeomanry

2nd Light Armoured Reconnaissance Brigade: Brigadier A. J. Clifton
   5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards
   15th/19th The King's Royal Hussars

1st Army Tank Brigade: Brigadier D. H. Pratt
   4/Royal Tank Regiment
   7/Royal Tank Regiment

Not Brigaded:

4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards
12th Royal Lancers
13th/18th Royal Hussars
1st Lothians & Border Yeomanry

Royal Artillery:

1st Regiment Royal Horse Artillery
2nd Regiment Royal Horse Artillery
32nd Army Field Regiment
98th Army Field Regiment
115th Army Field Regiment
139th Army Field Regiment
1st Medium Regiment
2nd Medium Regiment
4th Medium Regiment
58th Medium Regiment
61st Medium Regiment
63rd Medium Regiment
65th Medium Regiment
69th Medium Regiment
1st Heavy Regiment
51st Heavy Regiment
52nd Heavy Regiment
1st Super Heavy Regiment
2nd Super Heavy Regiment
3rd Super Heavy Regiment

1st Anti-Aircraft Brigade: Brigadier E. D. Milligan
1st Anti-Aircraft Regiment
6th Anti-Aircraft Regiment
85th Anti-Aircraft Regiment

2nd Anti-Aircraft Brigade: Brigadier E. W. Chadwick
60th Anti-Aircraft Regiment
51st Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
58th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment

4th Anti-Aircraft Brigade: Brigadier J. N. Slater
4th Anti-Aircraft Regiment
1st Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment

5th Searchlight Brigade: Brigadier E. Rait-Kerr
1st Searchlight Regiment
2nd Searchlight Regiment
3rd Searchlight Regiment

Royal Engineers:
100th Army Field Company
101st Army Field Company
216th Army Field Company
228th Field Company
242nd Field Company
233rd Field Park Company
19th Army Field Survey Company
58th Chemical Warfare Company
61st Chemical Warfare Company
62nd Chemical Warfare Company

In addition there were:
38 General Construction Companies
2 Road Construction Companies
1 Excavator Company
4 Tunnelling Companies
1 Workshop & Park Company
1 Field Survey Depot
2 Waterboring Sections

Infantry:
1/Welsh Guards

Infantry Machine Gun Battalions:
7/The Cheshire Regiment
1/8th Battalion The Middlesex Regiment
4/The Gordon Highlanders Regiment
6/The Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders

Infantry Pioneer:
6/The King's Own Royal Regiment
7/The King's Own Royal Regiment
8/The King's Own Royal Regiment
9/The King's Own Royal Regiment
7/The Norfolk Regiment
6/The Royal Scots Fusiliers
1/6th Battalion The South Staffordshire Regiment
Infantry Garrison:
  9/The West Yorkshire Regiment
I Corps: Lt-General M. G. H. Barker

Corps Troops:

Royal Artillery:
  27th Army Field Regiment
  140th Army Field Regiment
  3rd Medium Regiment
  5th Medium Regiment
  52nd Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
  2nd Light Anti-Aircraft Battery
  1st Survey Regiment

Royal Engineers:
  102nd Army Field Company
  107th Army Field Company
  221st Army Field Company
  105th Corps Field Park Company
  13th Corps Field Survey Company

Infantry Machine Gun Battalions:
  2/The Cheshire Regiment
  4/The Cheshire Regiment
  2/The Manchester Regiment

1st Division: Major General The Hon. H. G. R. L. Alexander

1st Guards Brigade: Brigadier M. B. Beckwith-Smith
  3/Grenadier Guards
  2/Coldstream Guards
  2/The Hampshire Regiment

2nd Brigade: Brigadier C. E. Hudson
  1/The Loyal Regiment
  2/The North Staffordshire Regiment
  6/The Gordon Highlanders

3rd Brigade: Brigadier T. N. F. Wilson
  1/The Duke of Wellington's Regiment
  2/The Sherwood Foresters
  1/The King's Shropshire Light Infantry

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
  2nd Field Regiment
  19th Field Regiment
  67th Field Regiment
  21st Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
  23rd Field Company
  238th Field Company
  248th Field Company
  6th Field Park Company

2nd Division: Major General H. C. Lloyd (to 16 May)
  Brigadier F. H. N. Davidson (acting 16 to 20 May)
  Major General N. M. S. Irwin (from 20 May)

4th Brigade: Brigadier E. G. Warren
  1/The Royal Scots
  2/The Royal Norfolk Regiment
  1/8th Battalion The Lancashire Fusiliers

5th Brigade: Brigadier G. I. Gartlan
  2/The Dorsetshire Regiment
1/The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders
7/The Worcestershire Regiment

6th Brigade: Brigadier N. M. S. Irwin (to 20 May)
           Brigadier D. W. Furlong (from 20 May)
1/The Royal Welch Fusiliers
1/The Royal Berkshire Regiment
2/The Durham Light Infantry

Divisional Troops:
Royal Artillery:
   10th Field Regiment
   16th Field Regiment
   99th Field Regiment
   13th Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
   5th Field Company
   209th Field Company
   506th Field Company
   21st Field Park Company

48th (South Midland) Division: Major General A. F. A. N. Thorne
143rd Brigade: Brigadier J. Muirhead
   1/The Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry
   1/7th Battalion The Royal Warwickshire Regiment
   8/The Royal Warwickshire Regiment

144th Brigade: Brigadier J. M. Hamilton
   2/The Royal Warwickshire Regiment
   5/The Gloucestershire Regiment
   8/The Worcestershire Regiment

145th Brigade: Brigadier A. C. Hughes (to 15 May)
               Brigadier The Hon. N. F. Somerset (from 15 May)
   2/The Gloucestershire
   4/The Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry
   1st Buckinghamshire Battalion The Oxfordshire &
   Buckinghamshire Light Infantry

Divisional Troops:
Royal Artillery:
   18th Field Regiment
   24th Field Regiment
   68th Field Regiment
   53rd Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
   9th Field Company
   224th Field Company
   226th Field Company
   227th Field Park Company

II Corps: Lieutenant-General A. F. Brooke

Corps Troops:
Royal Artillery:
   60th Field Regiment
   88th Field Regiment
   53rd Medium Regiment
   59th Medium Regiment
   53rd Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
   2nd Survey Regiment
Royal Engineers:
   222nd Army Field Company
   234th Army Field Company
   240th Army Field Company
   108th Corps Field Park
   14th Corps Field Survey Company

Infantry Machine Gun Battalions:
   2/The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers (with 4th Division)
   2/The Middlesex Regiment (with 3rd Division)
   1/7th The Middlesex Regiment

3rd Division: Major General B. L. Montgomery

7th Guards Brigade: Brigadier J. A. C. Whitaker
   1/Grenadier Guards
   2/Grenadier Guards
   1/Coldstream Guards

8th Brigade: Brigadier C. G. Woolner
   1/The Suffolk Regiment
   2/The East Yorkshire Regiment
   4/The Royal Berkshire Regiment

9th Brigade: Brigadier W. Robb
   2/The Lincolnshire Regiment
   1/The King’s Own Scottish Borderers
   2/The Royal Ulster Rifles

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
   7th Field Regiment
   33rd Field Regiment
   76th Field Regiment
   20th Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
   17th Field Company
   246th Field Company
   253rd Field Company
   15th Field Park Company

4th Division: Major General D. G. Johnson

10th Brigade: Brigadier E. H. Barker
   2/The Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Regiment
   2/The Duke of Cornwall’s Light Infantry
   1/6th The East Surrey Regiment

11th Brigade: Brigadier K A. N. Anderson
   2/The Lancashire Regiment
   1/The East Surrey Regiment
   5/The Northamptonshire Regiment

12th Brigade: Brigadier J. L. I. Hawkesworth
   2/The Royal Fusiliers
   1/The South Lancashire Regiment
   6/The Black Watch

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
   22nd Field Regiment
   30th Field Regiment
   77th Field Regiment
   14th Anti-Tank Regiment
Royal Engineers:
    7th Field Company
    59th Field Company
    225th Field Company
    18th Field Park Company

5th Division: Major-General H. E. Franklyn

13th Brigade: Brigadier M. C. Dempsey
    2/The Cameronians
    2/The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers
    2/The Wiltshire

17th Brigade: Brigadier M. G. N. Stopford
    2/The Royal Scots Fusiliers
    2/The Northamptonshire Regiment
    6/The Seaforth Highlanders

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
    9th Field Regiment
    91st Field Regiment
    92nd Field Regiment
    52nd Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
    38th Field Company
    245th Field Company
    252nd Field Company
    254th Field Park Company

50th (Northumbrian) Division: Major General G. le Q. Martel (in GHQ Reserve of 10th May)

150th Brigade: Brigadier C. W. Haydon
    4/The East Yorkshire Regiment
    4/The Green Howards
    5/The Green Howards

151st Brigade: Brigadier J. A. Churchill
    6/The Durham Light Infantry
    8/The Durham Light Infantry
    9/The Durham Light Infantry

25th Brigade: Brigadier W. H. C. Ramsden
    2/The Essex Regiment
    1/The Royal Irish Fusiliers
    1/7th The Queen's Royal Regiment

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
    72nd Field Regiment
    74th Field Regiment
    65th Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
    232nd Field Company
    505th Field Company
    235th Field Park Company

Infantry:
    4/The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers (motorcycle)
III Corps: Lieutenant-General Sir R. F. Adam, Bt.

Corps Troops:

Royal Artillery:
- 5th Regiment R.H.A.
- 97th Army Field Regiment
- 51st Medium Regiment
- 56th Medium Regiment
- 54th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
- 3rd Survey Regiment

Royal Engineers:
- 213th Army Field Company
- 214th Army Field Company
- 217th Army Field Company
- 293rd Corps Field Park Company
- 514th Corps Field Survey Company

Infantry Machine Gun Battalion:
- 7/The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers
- 1/9th The Manchester Regiment
- 1/Princess Louise's Kensington Regiment, The Middlesex Regiment

42nd (East Lancashire) Division: Major General W. G. Holmes

125th Brigade: Brigadier G. W. Sutton
- 1/The Border Regiment
- 1/5th The Lancashire Fusiliers
- 1/6th The Lancashire Fusiliers

126th Brigade: Brigadier E. . Miles
- 1/The East Lancashire Regiment
- 5/The King's Own Royal Regiment
- 5/The Border Regiment

127th Brigade: Brigadier J. G. Smyth
- 1/The Highland Infantry
- 4/The East Lancashire Regiment
- 5/The Manchester Regiment

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
- 52nd Field Regiment
- 53rd Field Regiment
- 56th Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
- 200th Field Company
- 201st Field Company
- 250th Field Company
- 208th Field Park Company

44th (Home Counties) Division: Major General E. A. Osborne

131st Brigade: Brigadier J. E. Utterson-Kelso
- 2/The Buffs
- 1/5th The Queen's Royal Regiment
- 1/6th The Queen's Royal Regiment

132nd Brigade: Brigadier J. S. Steele
- 1/The Queen's Royal West Kent Regiment
- 4/The Queen's Royal West Kent Regiment
- 5/The Queen's Royal West Kent Regiment

133rd Brigade: Brigadier N. I. Whitty
- 2/The Royal Sussex Regiment
- 4/The Royal Sussex Regiment
- 5/The Royal Sussex Regiment
Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
- 57th Field Regiment
- 58th Field Regiment
- 65th Field Regiment
- 57th Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
- 11th Field Company
- 208th Field Company
- 210th Field Company
- 211th Field Park Company

51st (Highland Division: Major General V. M. Fortune (In the Maginot Line May 1 to 23 and with the French 10th Army from June 10)
- 152nd Brigade: Brigadier H. W. V. Stewart
  - 2/The Seaforth Highlanders
  - 4/The Seaforth Highlanders
- 153rd Brigade: Brigadier G. T. Burney
  - 4/The Black Watch
  - 1/The Gordon Highlanders
  - 5/The Gordon Highlanders
- 154th Brigade: Brigadier A. C. L. Stanley-Clarke
  - 1/The Black Watch
  - 7/The Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders
  - 8/The Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders

Divisional Troops:

Royal Artillery:
- 17th Field Regiment
- 23rd Field Regiment
- 75th Field Regiment
- 51st Anti-Tank Regiment

Royal Engineers:
- 26th Field Company
- 236th Field Company
- 237th Field Company
- 239th Field Park Company

Attached:

Royal Armoured Corps:
- 1st Lothian & Border Yeomanry (from GHQ Troops)

Royal Artillery:
- 1st Regiment R.H.A. (less 1 battery) (from GHQ Troops)
- 97th Field Regiment - 1 battery (from III Corps)
- 51st Medium Regiment (from GHQ Troops)

Royal Engineers:
- 213th Army Field Company (from III Corps)

Infantry Machine Gun Battalion: (from III Corps)
- 7/The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers
- 1/Princess Louise's Kensington Regiment, The Middlesex Rgt

Infantry Pioneer: (from GHQ Troops)
- 7/The Royal Norfolk Regiment
- 6/The Royal Scots Fusiliers
Lines of Communication Troops: Major General P. de Fonblanque

Royal Artillery:
- 3rd Anti-Aircraft Brigade: Brigadier W. R. Shilstone
- 2nd Anti-Aircraft Regiment
- 8th Anti-Aircraft Regiment
- 79th Anti-Aircraft Regiment
- 4th Light Anti-Aircraft Battery

Royal Engineers:
- 104th Army Troops Companies
- 106th Army Troops Companies
- 110th Army Troops Companies
- 212th Army Troops Companies
- 218th Army Troops Companies
- Plus;
- 4 Road Construction Companies
- 12 Artisan Works Companies
- 3 General Construction Companies
- 1 Map Depot
- 2 Engineer Stores (Base) Depots
- Engineer Base Workshop
- Forestry Company (1 section)
- Line of Communication Depot

Infantry:
- 4/The Buffs
- 14/The Royal Fusiliers
- 12/The Royal Warwickshire Regiment
- 4/The Border Regiment
- 1/5th The Sherwood Foresters
- Plus;
- 2 Infantry Depots
- 2 General Base depots

With the Advanced Air Striking Force:

Royal Artillery:
- 12th Anti-Aircraft Brigade: Brigadier W. T. O. Crewsdon
- 53rd Anti-Aircraft Regiment
- 73rd Anti-Aircraft Regiment


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