



# Guide to Sources Relating to Units of the Canadian Expeditionary Force

## Cyclist



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### 1<sup>st</sup> Divisional Cyclist Company

#### Background Information

Organized at Valcartier in September 1914 under the command of Captain R. S. Robinson.

Left Quebec 29 September 1914 aboard RUTHENIA.

Arrived in England 15 October 1914.

Strength: 5 officers, 88 other ranks.

Arrived in France 10 February 1915.

1st Canadian Division.

Absorbed by Canadian Corps Cyclist Battalion in May 1916.

Disbanded by General Order 208 of 15 November 1920.

#### Sources

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#### **War diary, 21 Oct 1914 - 14 May 1916**

RG 9 III-D-3, vol.4956, folder 500

#### **Historical record**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 28

#### **DHS file**

RG 24, vol.1902, file DHS 5-3-7

#### **Nominal roll on leaving Canada, 1914**

RG 9 II B3, vol.79

#### **Canadian Records Office file**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.1987, file M-180-4

#### **Daily Orders**

RG 150, vol. 213 = 1915/03/26 – 1916/05/31

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Divisional Cyclist Company

#### Background Information

Organized at Toronto and Halifax in October 1914 under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel G. Y. Denison.

Authorization published in General Order 63 of 15 June 1915.

Platoons from Toronto, Montreal, Kingston, Vancouver, Winnipeg and Halifax.

Advertised for recruits "possessing more than average intelligence and a high standard of education".

First draft left Montreal 16 May 1915 aboard CORINTHIAN.

Arrived in England 27 May 1915.

Second draft left Halifax 15 June 1915 aboard CALEDONIAN.

Arrived in England 22 June 1915.

Strength: 9 officers, 176 other ranks.

Arrived in France 15 September 1915.

2nd Canadian Division.

Absorbed by Canadian Corps Cyclist Battalion in May 1916.

Disbanded by General Order 208 of 15 November 1920.

#### Sources

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#### **War diary, 15 Oct. 1914 - 12 May 1916**

RG 9 III-D-3, vol.4957, folder 500

#### **Historical record**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 29

#### **Receipts for badges**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 30

#### **Correspondence re photos (empty)**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 31

#### **Appointment of officers**

RG 24, vol.1371, file HQ 593-6-1-CYC

#### **Organization and administration**

RG 24, vol.4335, file 2D 34-3-17

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### **Organization**

RG 24, vol.4495, file 4D53-2-1

### **DHS file**

RG 24, vol.1902, file DHS 5-3-7

### **Muster parades**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.453, file M-82-1

### **Flares, percussion device (Sgt F. Cooper)**

RG 9 III-D-3, vol.3829, folder 9, file 6

### **Mobilization accounts**

RG 24, vol.1521, file HQ 683-44-5

### **Motor trucks and motorcycles**

RG 24, vol.1521, file HQ 683-44-3

### **Nominal roll leaving Canada, 1915**

RG 9 II B3, vol.79

### **Motorcycles**

RG 9 III-A-1, vol.14, file 4-7-3

### **Canadian Records Office file**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.1087, file M-180-4

### **Daily Orders**

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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Divisional Cyclist Company

#### Background Information

Organized in Toronto in January 1916 under the command of Captain G. B. Schwartz.

Left Halifax 22 January 1916 aboard MISSANABIE.

Arrived in England 30 January 1916 and attached to Canadian Reserve Cyclist Company at Swindon (Chisledon Camp).

Strength: 8 officers, 193 other ranks.

Reorganized at Swindon in February 1916, commanded by Captain L. P. O. Picard.

Arrived in France 27 March 1916.

3rd Canadian Division.

Absorbed by Canadian Corps Cyclist Battalion on 20 May 1916.

Disbanded by General Order 208 of 15 November 1920.

#### Sources

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#### **War diary, 24 March - 11 May 1916**

RG 9 III-D-3, vol.4957, folder 501

#### **Historical record**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23 , file 32

#### **Receipts for badges**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 33

#### **Mobilization**

RG 24, vol.1462, file HQ 593-25-2

#### **Appointment of officers**

RG 24, vol.1371, file HQ 593-6-1-CYC

#### **DHS file**

RG 24, vol.1902, file DHS 5-3-7

#### **Establishment**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.679, file E-164-2

#### **Organization and establishment, 9-12 Jan 1916**

RG 9 III-C-1, vol.3865, folder 100, file 3

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### **Clothing**

RG 9 III-A-1, vol.10, file 4-2-41

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### 4<sup>th</sup> Divisional Cyclist Company

#### Background Information

Organized in Toronto in March 1916 under the command of Captain G. L. Berkley.

Personnel obtained from cyclist depot in Toronto.

Left Halifax 1 May 1916 aboard OLYMPIC.

Arrived in England 6 May 1916 and attached to Canadian Reserve Cyclist Company at Swindon (Chisledon Camp).

Strength: 8 officers, 191 other ranks.

Reorganized at Swindon, commanded by Captain G. B. Schwartz.

Broken up at Bramshott in May 1916.

Disbanded by General Order 208 of 15 November 1920.

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#### Receipts for badges

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 34

#### Mobilization

RG 24, vol.1464, file HQ 593-28-2

#### Appointment of officers

RG 24, vol.1371, file HQ 593-6-1-CYC

#### Organization

RG 24, vol.4393, file 2D, 34-7-169

#### Organization

RG 24, vol.4335, file 2D 34-3-17

#### DHS file

RG 24, vol.1902, file DHS 5-3-7

#### Canadian Records Office file

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.1087, file M-188-4

#### Daily Orders

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### Canadian Corps Cyclist Battalion

#### Background Information

Organized at Abeele in May 1916 under the command of Major A. McMillan.  
Formed by amalgamating 1st, 2nd, 3rd Canadian Divisional Cyclist Companies.  
Demobilized at Toronto in April 1919.  
Disbanded by General Order 208 of 15 November 1920.

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#### **War diary, 12 May 1916 - 31 March 1919**

RG 9 III-D-3, vol.4956, folder 499

#### **Historical record**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 25

#### **Correspondence re badges**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 26

#### **Honours and awards, Oct. 1918**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 27

#### **DHS file**

RG 24, vol.1902, file DHS 5-3-7

#### **OMFC file**

RG 9 III-A-1, vol.45, file 8-5-12

#### **Billeting**

RG 9 III-C-1, vol.3877, folder 7, file 1

#### **Designation**

RG 9 III-C-1, vol.3879, folder 13, file 12

#### **Strength, 4 Dec. 1918 - 23 Jan. 1919**

RG 9 III-C-1, vol.3893, folder 56, file 20

#### **Operations Arras, 26 Aug. - 4 Sept. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-1, vol.3944, folder 56, file 4

#### **Operations, Cambrai, 27 Sept. - 12 Oct. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-1, vol.3945, folder 61, file 5

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### **Establishment , 27 Aug. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 1

### **Nominal rolls of personnel to receive o\’s chevrons, 1 Aug. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 2

### **Congratulatory messages re Amiens, Aug. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 3

### **Operation orders, Brutinel’s Brigade, 28 Aug. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 4

### **Prisoners of war, 16 Dec. 1918**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 5

### **Syllabus of training**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 6

### **Pt II Orders, 1 Jan. - 30 June 1917**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 7

### **Demobilization**

RG 24, vol.1949, file HQ 683-027-1

### **Inspection reports**

RG 24, vol.1949, file HQ 683-927-2

### **Argyll house file**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.3009, file V-153-33

### **Canadian Records Office file**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.1087, file M-183-4

### **Daily Orders**

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### Canadian Reserve Cyclist Company

#### Background Information

Organized at Shorncliffe in April 1915 as a cyclist depot under the command of Captain F. B. Goodwillie.

Personnel from 9th, 11th, 12th and 17th Canadian Reserve Battalions.

Designated Canadian Reserve Cyclist Company on 19 May 1915 and transferred to Army Cyclist Corps Training Centre at Hounslow. Centre moved to Larkhill in November 1915 and to Chiseldon Camp (near Swindon) in February 1916.

Some personnel transferred to the newly reorganized 3rd Divisional Cyclist Company in February and March 1916.

Moved to Shorehara in July 1917. Ceased to be attached to Army Cyclist Training Centre. Moved to Seaford in October 1917.

Ceased to exist in February 1919.

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#### **War diary, 1915 - 28 Feb. 1919**

RG 9 III-D-3, vol.4957, folder 502

#### **Correspondence re badges, designation, establishment, historical record, organization**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 35

#### **Receipts for badges**

RG 9 III-D-1, vol.4681, folder 23, file 36

#### **Muster parades**

RG 9 III-A-1, vol.454, file M-158-1

#### **Organization, orderly room**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.472, file 0-87-1

#### **Training syllabus**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 6

#### **Pt II Daily Orders, 1 Jan. - 30 June 1917**

RG 9 III-C-2, vol.4005, folder 1, file 7

#### **Demobilization**

RG 24, vol.1978, file HQ 683-1052-1

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### **Argyll House file**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.3009, file V-159-33

### **Canadian Records Office file**

RG 9 III-B-1, vol.1087, file M-182-4

### **Daily Orders**

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Part 2 = 1915/11/01 – 1915/01/29

Part 3 = 1916/02/29 – 1916/03/31

Part 4 = 1916/06/01 – 1916/12/30

Part 5 = 1917/02/09 – 1917/06/30

Part 6 = 1917/07/02 – 1917/12/31

Part 7 = 1918/01/18 - 1918/12/31

Part 8 = 1917/01/01 – 1917/02/08

Part 9 = 1919/01/03 – 1919/03/20