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25th Anniversary of The Royal Logistic Corps

The Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) is the largest Corps in the Army. It was formed on 5 April 1993 by the union of five units: Royal Corps of Transport, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, Royal Pioneer Corps, Army Catering Corps and Postal and Courier Service previously part of the Royal Engineers.

This year sees the 25th anniversary of The RLC and to mark this grand occasion BFPS has produced a commemorative cover to be published on the 5th April 2018.

The cover bears a colourful schematic image which provides an insight into the various roles that The RLC carries out. A Royal Mail 1st class stamp will be cancelled by the bespoke BFPS 3215 special handstamp.

There will be three versions available:

- Standard unsigned costing £6 each
- Limited edition signed by the Corps Colonel costing £12 each
- Limited edition signed by the Corps Regimental Sergeant Major costing £12 each

Each of these covers will have an A4 information insert featuring the history of the RLC. Presented in a protective cellophane slip this makes a highly desirable memento of the Corps' anniversary.

All of these most sought-after covers may be ordered from the BFPS online shop (www.bfps.org.uk/shop).

These covers may also be ordered by post by sending a cheque (payable to 'BFPS CIC') to BFPS The Old Post Office Links Place Elie LEVEN KY9 1AX.

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An image of the commemorative cover is attached.

About BFPS

The British Forces Philatelic Service (BFPS) fundraises for Service charities through philately and is a not-for-profit organisation run by a small team of volunteers, all of whom are Veterans. BFPS was specially set-up to ensure that the Forces Philatelic Bureau survives and thrives. BFPS is a registered Community Interest Company (CIC) working closely with the British Forces Post Office (BFPO).

The BFPO has had responsibility for all aspects of military mail, including philatelic matters, since its formation in 1882. More recently, as part of a Strategic Defence and Security Review, BFPO was reorganised and as a result of this the Forces Philatelic Bureau was transferred to BFPS, which was specially set up, as the sole authorised body empowered to deal with all matters concerning the Forces Philatelic Bureau. BFPS is officially licensed by the UK MOD.

BFPS is managed by two retired career Army officers, each of whom has had extensive experience working within the BFPO in general and the Forces Philatelic Bureau in particular. The third member of the management team is an ex Royal Engineer Warrant Officer who has a passion for Forces philately. All are volunteers and are dedicated to keeping the Forces Philatelic Bureau alive and are working hard to ensure the future of this unique area of BFPO operations is secure and flourishes.

Links:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/british-forces-post-office-services>

<http://www.royalmail.com/personal/stamps-collectibles-gifts>

<http://www.postalmuseum.org/>

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