



WSS Know-Who & Painting Guide

001: General Deputation Infantry Regiment

«Regiment de la Diputació del General»



Traditionally raised and funded by the Catalonia's *General Deputation*, also known as *Generality* (a permanent committee of the Catalan Parliament, or *Corts*), either at king's request or by its own. It numbered some 600 men in 8 companies –one of which, of grenadiers.

Raised in 1705 to support Archduke Charles' claim to the throne. Staying inside Barcelona at first, some of its companies were deployed in Castellciutat fortress (1707), others were sent to secure and defend Cardona fortress during Prats de Rei battle (1711), while the remainder defended Barcelona, incurring heavy losses in the final 1713-1714 campaign.

Uniform element	Colour description	Painting suggestion *
Coat	Blue	70-809 Royal Blue
Facings	Red	70-908 Carmine Red
Waistcoat	Red	70-908 Carmine Red
Neckcloth	White	70-951 White
Trousers	Red	70-908 Carmine Red
Stockings	Red	70-908 Carmine Red
Buttons	Golden	70-996 Gold
Hat	Black	70-950 Black
Hat border	-	-
Hat lace	Yellow	70-915 Deep Yellow
Gaiters (if worn)	Off-white	70-918 Ivory
Officers' sash	Yellow	70-915 Deep Yellow
Officers' hat plume	Red	70-908 Carmine Red

* According to Vallejo's Model Color 70 Range chart



According to Hernández & Riart

Prior to 1705

Tercio de la Diputación de Cataluña

Uniform until 1706: pearl grey coat with red facings

King's colour until 1706, as per regulations

Regiment's colour unchanged

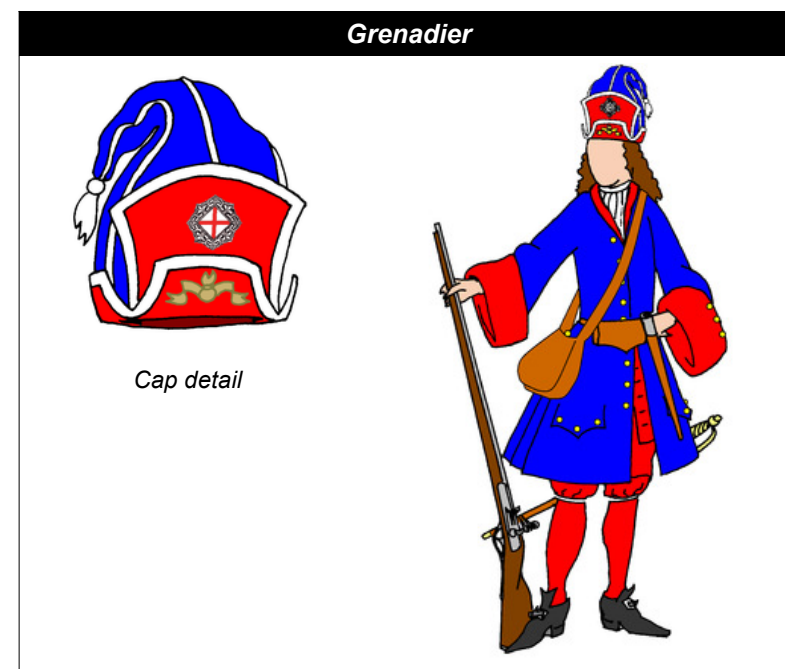
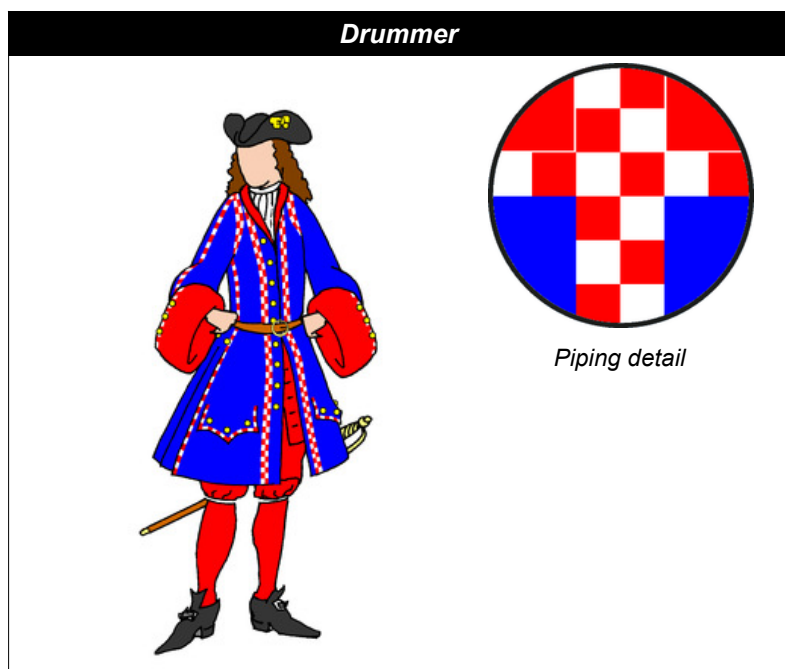
Colonels

1705: Manuel de Pinós

1707: Climent de Solanell

1710: Pere Muntaner †

1711: Francesc Sans Miquel



Late war catalan infantry regiments were organized, following Archduke Charles' 1706 Ordnances, into a single battalion divided into up to 11 companies, with a theoretical full strength of 1,000 men. Every regiment was supposed to had one grenadier company, although it seems that at least a couple had two. Although most of the new units probably never acheived their full theoretical strength, it has been estimated that many managed to maintain a strength of 50-75% all through the war.

Units were dressed, equipped and armed following typical trends in armies of the period, taking Allied features as a model; the Imperial Army for internal organisation and the English for a number of tactical and equipment solutions. Some elements were common to all peninsular armies, such as frontal cartridge pouches. The main weapon was a musket with socket bayonet, supplemented with a sword; no records exist about the use of pikes by any unit.

The grenadiers' most distinctive features were a grenadier cap (with a lower frontal plate than the Spanish one) and the ubiquitous grenade bag. It seems that in some units grenadiers wore shoulder laces –following Spanish trends too. Grenadiers wore a saber as secondary weapon.

Drummers' coats and facings were usually the same as rank and file, being distinguished by various pipings.

Officers wore a yellow sash around the waist as a symbol of rank and their hats were decorated by red plumes.