

Ireland 1690 flags : Notes on the range

Our knowledge of the flags used in this campaign is limited. Even some of those we usually consider to be 'known' are actually interpretations from incomplete information or 'probable' rather than 'definite'.

I have attempted to collect together in this range as many of those that are 'known' as I can and then based the remainder on partial information, where available, or created a conjectural design. My interpretations and conjectural designs (in italics in the list below) represent a putative Colonel's colour using styles/elements of other flags of the period and a device or devices from the heraldry or badge(s) associated with the named Colonel or his titular domains.

It is also necessary to bear in mind that regiments were referred to by different names in different sources. Many of the Colonels had multiple titles and a single family may provide more than one regiment, so names and titles get confused between sources. I'm not claiming to have made much headway in sorting the confusion but I have tried not to have the same regiment listed a second time under an alternative name.

Not all of the regiments included fought at the Boyne but were in at least one other major engagement of the campaign.

My intention has been to produce a set of flags that are plausible and with enough differences (at least in the conjectural designs) to make the regiments they are attached to distinguishable on the table top.

My sources have been :

The booklets by Sapherson & Ede-Borret covering the campaign and the armies of the two monarchs

Various websites on heraldry

Numerous Internet blogs and sites of gamers who probably know far more about this period than I do – just to see what interpretations they have come up with. Special mention must go to Ray and his excellent site <http://onelover-ray.blogspot.co.uk/>

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Tiny Tin Troops

Jacobite Horse

G1 - 1st Horse Guards
G2 - 2nd Horse Guards
SU - *Sutherland*
GA - *Galmoye*
TY - *Tyrconnell*
WM - *Westmeath*
PA - *Parker*
PU - *Purcell*
LU - *Luttrell*
SA - *Sarsfield*
CD - *Clifford*
ME - *Merrion/Fitzwilliam*

Dragoons

DO - *Dongon*
CL - *Clare*
MM - *MacMahon*
ON - *Neil O'Neill*
CF - *Clifton*
OR - *O'Reilly*

Jacobite Foot

BU - *Bourke*
LB - *Lord Bellew*
GP - *Grand Prior*
EU - *Eustace*
GN - *Gordon Ui'Neill*
LO - *Lord Louth*
AN - *Earl of Antrim*
DL - *Dillon*
GA - *Galmoy*
CR - *ClanRickard*
IG - *Irish Guards*
ML - *Mountcashel/Lee*
BC - *O'Brien/Clare*
WM - *Earl Westmeath*
MG - *McGillicuddy*
MM - *Art MacMahon*

French

LM - *La Marche*
TO - *Tournasis*
FO - *Forez*
ZU - *Zurlaben*

Williamite Horse

G1-4 - 1st-4th Horse Guards
PA - *Langston*
OX - *Oxford*
LA - *Lanier*
HE - *Heyden*
IN - *Inniskilling*
VI - *Villiers*

Dutch

SH - *Schomburg*
GI - *Ginkel*
GP - *Gard te Paard*

Danish

DO - *Doneps*

Dragoons

RP - *Eppinger*
RY - *Royal*
LV - *Leveson*

Williamite Foot

English/Scots

1K - *1st Guards King's Co*
1C - *1st Guards Colonel's Co*
CO - *Coldstream Guards*
SG - *Scots Guards*
TR - *Trelawney*
KL - *Kirke*
HM - *Hanmans*
HO - *Holland*
PA - *Princess Anne (Beaumont)*
HA - *Hastings*
ST - *Steuart*
CT - *Cutts*

Dutch

GV - *Garde de Voet*
NA - *Nassau*
BR - *Brandenburg*

Huguenot

CA - *La Caillemotte*
CM - *Cambon*
ME - *Meloniere*

Danish

LF - *Livgarde til Fods*
DR - *Dronningens*
PG - *Prinz George*
SJ - *Sjallandska (Zealand)*