

THE ENGLISH CIVIL WAR INTERACTIVE

The New Model Army

After 1644, Parliament form a new army called the New Model Army. It was the first nationally organised army and was commanded by a brilliant soldier called **Thomas Fairfax**.

Type	No of Regiments	No in Each Regiment
Cavalry	11	600
Infantry	12	1200
Dragoons	1	1000
Artillery	Not Known	Not Known

The **infantry** were issued with red uniforms to replace their existing regiment's colour. **Cavalry** were issued with light headpieces, armour front & back, and a buff coat of leather.

The pay was set at 10 pence a day for infantry, and two shillings a day for cavalry. Those in the cavalry had to provide their own horse.

Promotion was now done strictly on military skill, and no longer on a family or monetary basis.

TASKS

1. Work out from the table above how many of the following were in the New Model Army:-
 - a) Cavalry
 - b) Infantry
 - c) Dragoons
2. How many soldiers were in the New Model Army?
3. What weapons were included in 'artillery'?
4. What was the role of artillery in battle?
5. Why do you think that cavalymen were paid more than infantry soldiers? [Give 3 reasons]
6. Use the internet to find out more about Thomas Fairfax.