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101 Engineer Regt (EOD & S) News, plus UK and Worldwide EOD features.

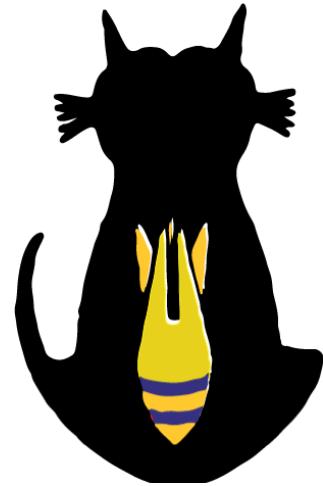
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## The Regiment

We welcome Lt Col Stephanie C Still RE who takes command of the Regiment as CO from September 2025.

Effects from SDR2025; The Regiment is refocussing its skills and strengths as a deployable warfighting unit and sub elements with renewed focus on battlefield combat engineering (such as bridge building, mine warfare, route clearance, etc) together with battlefield and urban Explosive Ordnance Clearance. This gives the units focus capability in dealing with conventional munitions disposal (CMD), as well as IEDDs and rapidly deploying in combat engineering support to British Army and NATO assets as required.



## UK EOD Capability Update

September 2025, the UK has deployed L3Harris **T4 EOD robots** with British Army and Royal Navy explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) teams across the UK, Cyprus, and Gibraltar.

The new Medium Uncrewed Ground Vehicles (UGV) will be used by UK Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) teams in support of emergency services to safely neutralising bomb threats. The T4 operates using advanced controls, high-definition cameras, and features a haptic feedback system to maximise control in high-risk situations.

A total of 50 UGVs are being delivered to the MOD under a £32 million project managed by the DE&S Specialist Vehicles and Uncrewed Land Systems (SVULS) Team within the Land Environment.

## UK EOD Incidents

- Sep–Oct 2025 — Various coastal locations, England (beaches and foreshore) — Multiple WWII-era ordnance finds reported to local police; items assessed by EOD teams, with many removed as non-viable or destroyed by controlled detonation.
- Sep–Oct 2025 — Residential and roadside locations, UK (multiple counties) — Police and civilian bomb squads responded to a small number of suspected modern ordnance reports; cordons established, and items made safe or taken for assessment.
- Sep–Oct 2025 — Military ranges and training areas, UK — Scheduled EOD training and controlled detonations took place at several ranges and RAF/military sites with local authority notices published.

## World News

**NATO EOD Demonstrations and Trials (Oct 8–9, Bratislava):** Hosted by the NATO EOD Centre of Excellence, this biennial event showcased cutting-edge EOD technologies and tactics. It featured live demonstrations, seminars, and participation from NATO and partner nations, including the Serbian Mine Action Centre.

**CBRN EOD Incident Management Training (Oct 20–24):** The final NATO-approved course of the year focused on chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear EOD incident management, held in Trenčín, Slovakia

