

NZAR ID 367 ARM TYPE: Cutlass. Draft date (V1) 15 Nov 2015, Compiled by Dr John Osborne MG DTT PhD FSG,

Pattern: British P1804 Naval cutlass. Introduced: NZ c1820. Withdrawn: still in use 1870s

Specifications; Maker: Osborn & Gunby, Mole from 1835 & others. Blade: straight flat, tapered, no fuller, 1.25" wide at hilt, 29" long double-edged at spear point. Hilt: sheet steel figure 8 bowl with rolled over quillion, slotted on top bar for sword knot / thong. Grip: ribbed cast iron. Scabbard: Black leather with brass belt hook. (Note) cutlass were normally stored in racks and issued without scabbards to boarding parties, scabbards were issued to sailors on shore duties.



Engraved Crown over George III 1760–1820 / George IV 1820-1830



figure 8 hilt, with ribbed cast iron grip



Makers name OSBORN & GUNBY engraved on back of blade



New Zealand Service: Used by Sailors on British Royal Navy and British East India Company warships in New Zealand waters from the early 1800s to the 1870s including during the NZ Wars 1840s to the early 1870s and by sailors on New Zealand Colonial Government warships and gunboats from the 1840s, also used by the US Confederate Navy during the US Civil War in the 1860s.

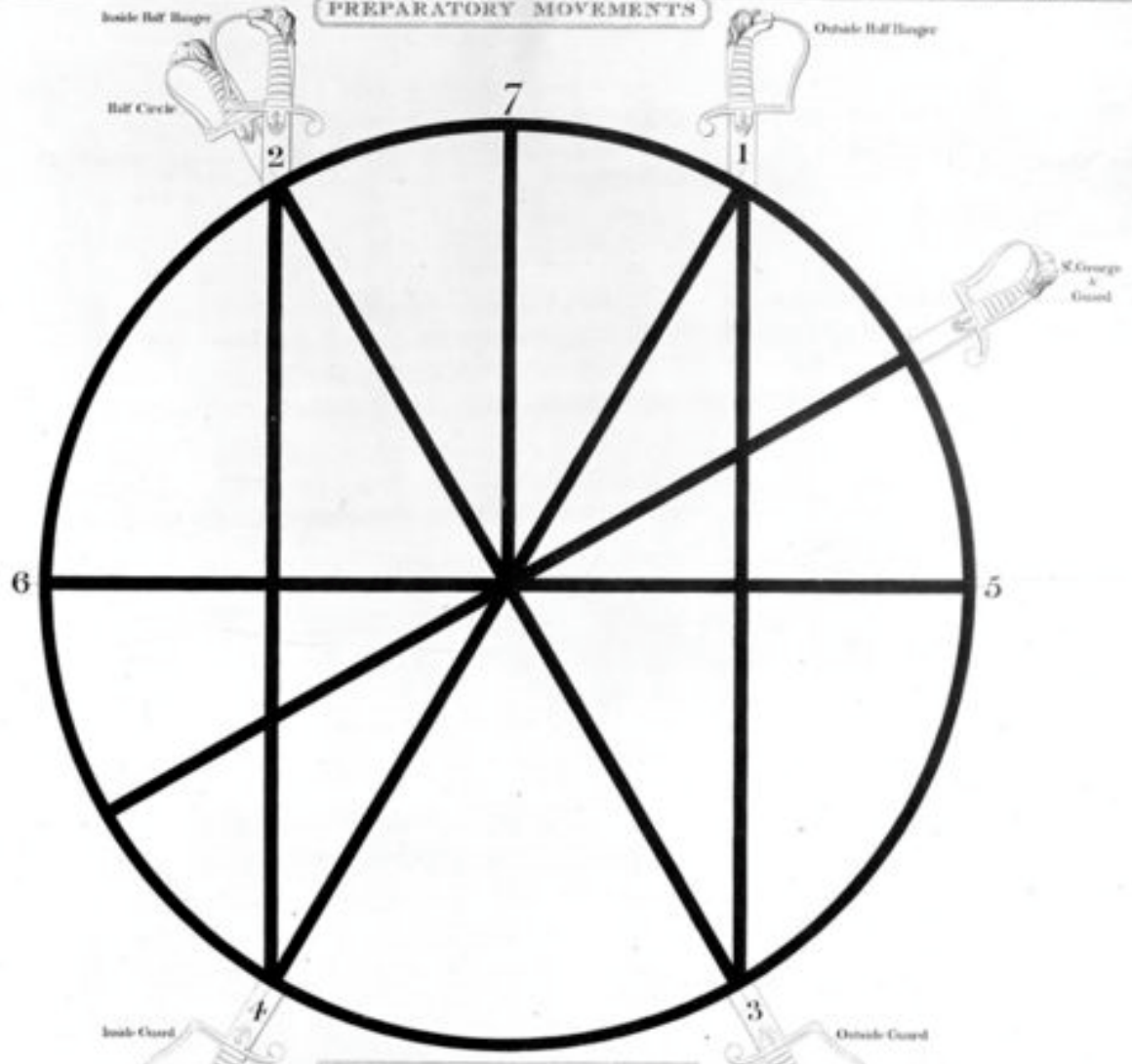
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NAVAL CUTLASS EXERCISE.

Under the Authority of the Right Honourable Lord Viscount Melville & The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty



PREPARATORY MOVEMENTS



WORDS OF COMMAND.

Prefixes NAVAL CUTLASS EXERCISE to words of Command.

Right pivot distance	Centre	Front pivot distance
Guard	1	Aband
Head	7	S George
Left Check	1	Inside Guard
Right Check	2	Outside Guard
Wrist	3	Half Circle
Leg	4	Shift
Left Side	5	Inside Half Hanger
Right Side	6	Outside Half Hanger
Point	8	Guard

Slope Swords

The Standard Figure is given to the same words of Command, with the exception of the Shift. The First and afterwards the second pass, pivot distance, and commence with Guard.

The Half Hanger guards the Leg on the outside, and the Half Circle guards it on the inside, if you are too close to have the advantage of shifting it.

This Plate illustrative of the Movements, Substances, & Words of Command of the Naval Cutlass Exercise, by Penfance, Inscribed with the most profound Respect TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS WILLIAM HENRY DUKE OF CLARENCE, ADMIRAL OF THE FLEET, &c. &c. by HENRY ANGLADE Junr who in forming & bringing it forward has received the greatest encouragement and assistance from Capt J. S. Rainier of His Majesty's Ship, Serp.

In 1814 a cutlass sword exercise or drill was developed for the Royal Navy sailor. While the image shows the 1805 pattern officer sword, the drill itself was meant for this cutlass: