

Faces of the American Revolution



The Redcoats



Read the paragraph below to help you fill in The Redcoats's stats:

Established: _____

Retired: _____

Rank: _____

Role in the war: _____

The "redcoats" were the infantry (foot) soldiers of the British Army, nicknamed for the bright red color of their uniforms. These vivid coats were first worn by the new English Army when it was formed in February of 1645; they were used until the late 1800s when the uniforms were changed to a darker scarlet color. During the Revolutionary War, the redcoats battled the patriots for control of the new world colonies, but they lost. The war officially ended in 1783 when the Treaty of Paris was signed and England gave up all control of the United States.