



The British Expeditionary Force Sept 1939 - June 1940 (& Home Service)

The British Expeditionary force assigned to defend the Franco-Belgian border were the first to use the Dingo operationally during WW2, it has been established from WD vehicle records that approximately 70 Daimler scout cars were sent to France with the BEF.

The following formations had Dingo's as part of their establishment, interestingly the vehicles appear to be issued to both infantry and armoured regiments and primarily used for Liaison duties and sometimes reconaissance.

The first Armored Division,
2nd Armoured Brigade,
10th Royal Hussars **(Dingo's not yet proven)**

3rd Armoured Brigade,
2nd Battalion Royal Tank Regiment **(Dingo's not yet proven)**
3rd Battalion Royal Tank Regiment **(proven refer to file D04)**
4th Battalion Royal Tank Regiment **(proven refer to file D04)**
5th Battalion Royal Tank Regiment **(proven refer to file D04)**

The 3 Infantry Division,
3rd Reconnaissance Regt,
4th Northumberland Fusiliers
(Proven refer to file D07).
1st Queen Victoria Rifles **(proven refer to file ???)**
2ns Kings Rifle Regiment Corps **(proven refer to file ???)**
1st Rifle Brigade **(proven refer to file ???)**

Very few were successfully recovered as part of the withdrawal from the channel ports and the subsequent evacuation from Dunkirk.



Image courtesy of the IWM
IWM F4580

Photographer: Keating G (Capt), War Office official photographer
Description: British Expeditionary Force troops on the Somme Front,
A Scout car driver takes a nap after a morning mission
26-29 May 1940.



Image courtesy of the IWM Reference F4575

Photographer: Keating (Capt), War Office official photographer

Description: An officer gives directions to the crew of a Daimler scout car at an armoured HQ, May 1940.

An A13 Cruiser tank Mk IV tank can be seen in the background.

(Car number incomplete but looks to be F946?)



Photo sourced from the internet.

Description: (GO) 8th armoured div, (61) one of the armoured regiments, possibly 5th Battalion Royal Tank Regiment

Local town dignitaries on a parade in Wakefield September 1941.

The Town Alderman looks very unhappy about not getting a ride in a 'proper tank'



Image courtesy of the IWM Reference H7026

Photographer: Puttnam Len (Lt), War Office official photographer

Description: Daimler Mk I scout car and Cruiser Mk III tank of 1st Armoured Division, seen in a picturesque village near Arundel in Sussex, The scout car belongs to HQ 22nd Armoured Brigade, while the Cruiser is a regimental command vehicle from 3rd County of London Yeomanry (3CLY).

5 February 1941.



Image courtesy of the IWM 4600F

Photographer : K y Keating War Office official photographer

HQ 3rd Armoured Brigade & 5th RTR

Description: British tanks and armoured fighting vehicles (Dingo F9420) moving through Luisnoy prior to going into action.

30th May 1940



Image courtesy of unknown source (possibly IWM Reference IWM H5935)
, found by Simon Hamon

Description: Daimler Dingo F9737 travels in Convoy
Date Unknown.



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Provided by Dave Page.

Daimler Dingo **F9412** of the Driver and Maintenance Training Wing



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Provided by Simon Hamon.

A Daimler Dingo **F9448** of Headquarters, 1st Armoured Division, abandoned at one of the coastal ports



Image courtesy of the internet
Provided by Dave Page
Daimler Dingo **F9411** issued to the Gunnery Training Wing
This is the earliest known dingo photo except for the prototypes.



Image courtesy of Channel Five / source unknown.

Photographer: Unknown

Description: Winston Churchill inspects troops of the 11th Armoured Division

Date unknown



Image courtesy Simon Hamon.

Photographer: Unknown

Description: Abandoned troop of Dingo's in Cherbourg in France

Date June 1940



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Image courtesy of Bundesarchiv.

Photographer: Unknown

Description: Abandoned Dingo on the beach at Calais with other British vehicle burnt out to stop them being captured

Date 1st June 1940