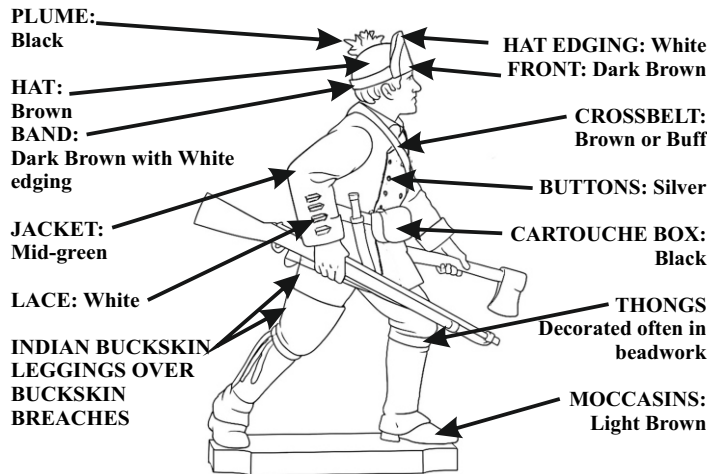


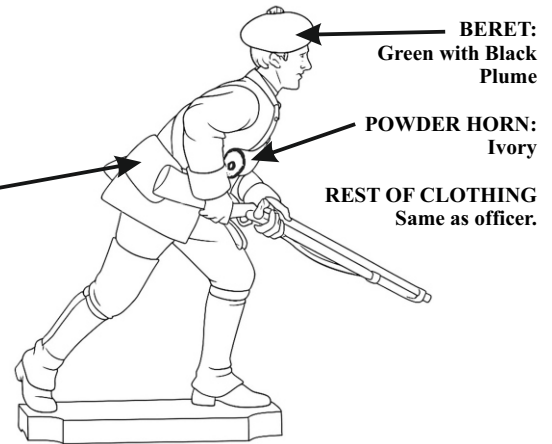
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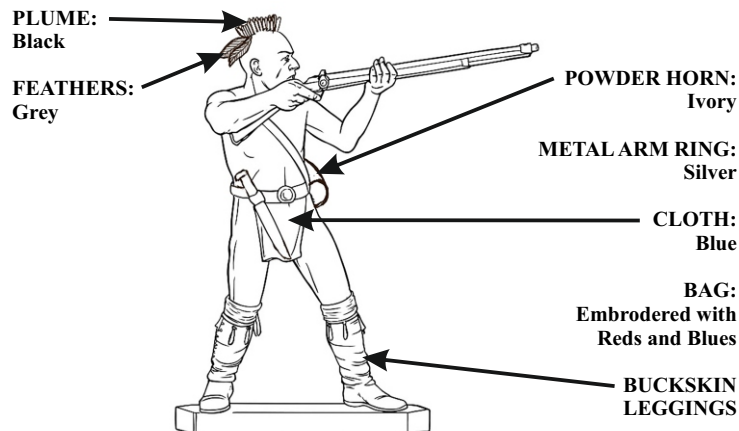
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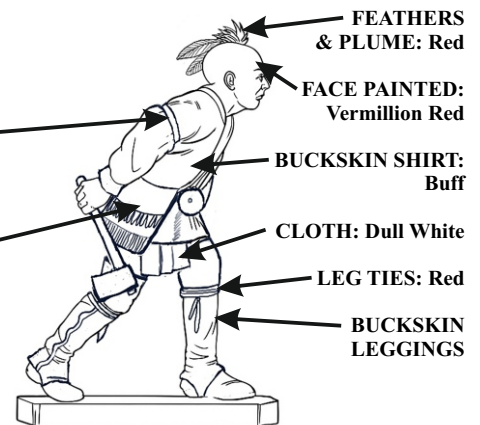
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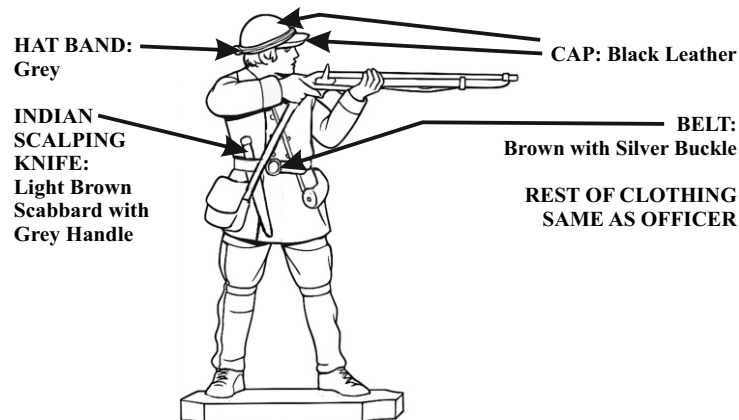
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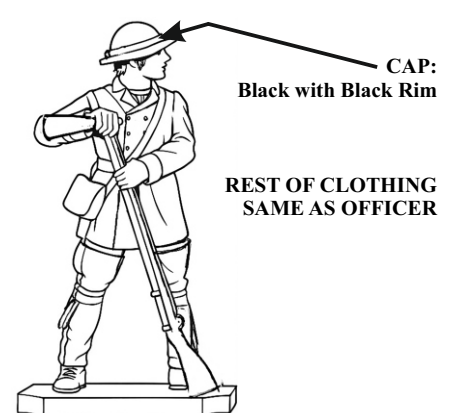
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RANGERS FIRING



RANGERS LOADING



The rangers were an irregular formation recruited during the **Seven Years war** in America to fight in very different conditions to those experienced by European armies. Recruited largely from trappers and frontiersmen, they fought and were armed more like their Indian allies than regular British troops, carrying tomahawks and scalping knives in addition to their Brown Bess muskets. Although generally uniformed in short green coats their headgear and other equipment were largely a matter of individual choice, ranging from berets to soft hats and fur in winter. Indian buckskin leggings were worn as a hard-wearing alternative to European gaiters and were often decorated with intricate beadwork, as were the leg ties that held them in place. Officers did have a distinctive unpeaked leather cap and four rows of white lace on each sleeve. Their Indian scouts and allies had no uniform as such but sported the usual hunting shirt and buckskin leggings. The figures depicted here are a Mohawk scout and an Iroquois allied warrior. The colour preferences and dress of woodland Indian tribes were very complex and beyond the scope of this guide; the colour schemes suggested here are just very basic suggestions. They carried bags and wore clothes with much intricate embroidery and beadwork.

Two other companies of rangers under the commands of **Hobbs** and **Speakmen** were similarly attired but with grey coats instead of green.