

REGIMENT DE WET



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Regiment de Wet was an infantry battalion of the South African Army.

Regiment de Wet was one of six Afrikaans-speaking Citizen Force regiments established as part of the expansion of the then Union Defence Force of South Africa. The regiment was named after the Orange Free State Boer War commandant, Christiaan de Wet. The regiment's headquarters was located in Kroonstad, a large town in the Orange Free State and a vital railway junction which gave some strategic importance. Recruits were enlisted from the entire Orange Free State province. The Regiment was used to reinforce the ranks of Regiment President Steyn during World War two, both of which were infantry units at the time.

Regiment President Steyn was converted to an armored car regiment and in 1975 to a tank regiment but Regiment de Wet remained infantry. Regiment de Wet was finally absorbed into Regiment Bloemspruit around April 1997.