

Red & White Services Fleet List 1930-1975

2. Coaches

2.7 1947-48 A.E.C. Regal

Production of the prewar A.E.C. Regal ceased in 1940 by which time Red & White had amassed over 50 examples from acquired operators with bodies from numerous bodybuilders. Many of these vehicles had been rebodied by Duple with both bus and coach bodies. These early Regals have been dealt with in the section on single deck buses. Production of the O662 Regal resumed in 1946 with a 7.7 litre engine and crash gearbox. In 1947 the O662 was replaced by the Regal III, the O682 version of which was mechanically similar to the O662 but with the chassis based on the Mark III frame. The O962 variant had a 9.6 litre engine. The 'O' prefix was dropped in 1948 since by now only oil engines were offered. The O962 now became the 9621A the 'A' signifying the crash gearbox version. Red & White purchased a number of postwar Regals for its South Midland and Newbury & District operation but none were in the main fleet until 8 of the Regal O662 and Regal IIIs with Duple C35F coach bodies were obtained from Ralph's Garages and Reliance Motors when they were absorbed in 1950-53.

Original Fleet No.	1951-75 No.	Registration	New	Chassis	Body	New / Previous Owner	Out
633	C1847 (S4047)*	GAX 190	5/1947	A.E.C. Regal (O6625017)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 90 1950	4/1959
634	C1947 (S4147)*	GAX 191	5/1947	A.E.C. Regal (O6625020)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 91 1950	5/1959
638	C2548 (S3148)*	GWO 295	4/1948	A.E.C. Regal III (O682299)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 95 1950	12/1959
639	C2648 (S3248)*	GWO 296	4/1948	A.E.C. Regal III (O682300)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 96 1950	1/1960
640	C2748 (S3348)*	GWO 597	4/1948	A.E.C. Regal III (O682301)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 97 1950	9/1959
641	C2848 (S3448)*	GWO 698	8/1948	A.E.C. Regal III (9621A254)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 98 1950	9/1959
642	C2948 (S3548)*	GWO 699	8/1948	A.E.C. Regal III (9621A255)	Duple C35F	ex-Ralph's Garages 99 1950	9/1959
607	C3248 (S3648)*	HNY 115	11/1947	A.E.C. Regal III (O962253)	Duple C35F	ex-Reliance Motors 1950	10/1959

* downgraded to buses in 1958

ex-Reliance Motors A.E.C. Regal III O962
HNY 115 (C3248).

