

**Detailed Organization, American Field Artillery,  
Headquarters & Headquarters Battery  
Motorized Field Artillery Battalion  
16 June 1944  
Table of Organization 6-36**

Battalion Headquarters

- 1 Commanding Officer (Lt. Colonel) (1 pistol)
- 1 Executive & S-1 Officer (Major) (1 pistol)
- 1 S-3 Officer (Major) (1 pistol)
- 1 S-2 Officer (Captain) (1 pistol)
- 1 Asst S-3 Officer (Captain) (1 pistol)
- 1 Liaison Officer (Captain) (1 pistol)
- 1 Assistant S-2 (Reconnaissance & Survey Officer)  
(Captain) (1 pistol)

Headquarters Battery

Battery Headquarters

- 1 Communications Officer (Captain) (1 pistol)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 pistol)
- 1 Battery Clerk (Corporal) (1 carbine)
- 7 Privates
  - 2 Orderlies (2 carbines)
  - 5 Basic Privates (5 carbines)

Operations Platoon

Operations and Fire Direction Section

- 2 Field Artillery Liaison Pilots (2 1st Lts) (2 pistols)
- 1 Sergeant Major (Master Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Operations Chief (Technical Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Fire Direction Computer Chief (Staff Sergeant)  
(1 pistol)
- 1 Agent (Corporal) (1 pistol & 1 ¼-ton truck)
- 1 Machine Gun Corporal (Corporal) (1 pistol)
- 16 Privates
  - 1 Bugler (1 carbine & 3/4-ton command truck)
  - 1 Headquarters Clerk (1 carbine)
  - 2 Fire Direction Computer Operators (2 carbines)
  - 5 Light Truck Drivers (5 carbines, 3 ¼-ton  
truck, & 1 2½-ton cargo truck)
  - 2 Machine Gunners (2 carbines & 2 .50 cal HMGs)
  - 1 Horizontal Control Operator (1 carbine)
  - 1 Vertical Control Operator (1 carbine)
  - 3 Radio Operators (3 carbines)

Forward Observation Section

- 1 Observation Officer (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Reconnaissance Chief (Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Radio Operator (Private) (1 carbine, 1 ¼-ton  
truck & 1 ¼-ton trailer)

Communication Platoon

Headquarters

- 1 Platoon Leader (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Communications Chief (Technical Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Message Center Chief (Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Message Center NCO (Corporal) (1 carbine)

Wire Section

1 Wire Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)  
4 Wire Corporals (Corporal) (4 carbines)  
20 Privates  
    4 Light Truck Drivers\* (4 carbines, 1 2½-ton  
    truck 3 3/4-ton weapons carrier trucks,  
    2 Switchboard Operators (2 carbines)  
    14 Wiremen & Telephone Operators (14 carbines)  
Assignment unknown  
    1 2.36" AT rocket launcher

Radio Section

1 Radio Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 carbine)  
1 Radio Corporal (1 carbine)  
1 Machine Gun Corporal (1 carbine)  
11 Privates  
    1 Machine Gunner (1 carbine & 1 .50 cal HMG)  
    8 Radio Operators (8 carbines & 1 3/4-ton  
    weapons carrier (radio) truck)  
    2 Radio Repairmen (2 carbines & 1 3/4-ton  
    weapons carrier (radio) truck)

Personnel Section

1 Personnel Chief (Technical Sergeant) (1 pistol)  
3 Privates  
    1 Headquarters Clerk (1 carbine)  
    1 Personnel Clerk (1 carbine)  
    1 Clerk Typist (1 carbine)

Maintenance Section

1 Maintenance Officer (2nd Lt) (1 pistol)  
1 Mess Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)  
1 Motor Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)  
1 Supply Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)  
11 Privates  
    3 Cooks (3 carbines)  
    1 Cook's Helper (1 carbine)  
    2 Light Truck Drivers (2 carbines, 1 3/4-ton  
    weapons carrier, 1 2½-ton cargo truck &  
    1 ¼-ton trailer)  
    1 Ground Crew Helper (1 carbine)  
    1 Machine Gunner\*\* (1 carbine & 1 .50 cal HMG)  
    1 Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic (1 carbine)  
    2 Automobile Mechanics (2 carbines 1 3/4-ton  
    weapons carrier & 1 ¼-ton trailer)

\* Three of the light truck drivers also worked as wireman and telephone operators when not driving their trucks.

\*\* It is not known who the other crew members were for this gun.

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