

**Detailed Organization American Cavalry Division  
Mechanized Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Regiment Horse,  
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Troop Headquarters

Headquarters Section

- Troop commander (Captain) (1 pistol)
- Troop Executive Officer (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 pistol)
- 1 Communications Sergeant (1 pistol)
- 1 Demolition Sergeant (1 pistol)
- 1 Mess Sergeant (1 pistol)
- 1 Section Sergeant (1 pistol & 1 motor tricycle)
- 1 Supply Sergeant (1 pistol & mans train defense HMG)
- 1 Car Commander (Corporal) (1 pistol)
- 1 Troop Clerk (Corporal) (1 pistol)
- 1 Squad Leader (leads motorcycle squad) (Corporal)  
(1 submachine gun & 1 solo motorcycle)

29 Privates

- 1 Armorer (1 pistol & mans train defense LMG)
- 1 Armorer (1 pistol & assistant LMG gunner)
- 1 Bugler (1 pistol & assistant LMG gunner)
- 4 Chauffeurs (4 pistols, 1 ½-ton command truck,  
1 2½-ton combat truck, 1 2½-ton fuel truck  
& 1 2½-ton kitchen truck)
- 3 Cook (3 pistols)
- 2 Cook's Helpers (2 pistols)
- 3 Scout Car Drivers (3 pistols, 3 light  
scout cars with 2 .30 cal & 1 .50 cal MGs)
- 1 Radio Electrician (1 pistol)
- 2 Machine Gunners (2 pistols)
- 1 Motorcycle Messenger (1 submachine gun & 1  
solo motorcycle)
- 2 Radio Operators (2 pistols & act as alternate  
machine gunners)
- 1 Orderly (1 pistol)
- 1 Rifleman (1 rifle)
- 4 Motorcycle Scouts (4 submachine guns & 4  
solo motorcycles)
- 2 Basic Privates (2 rifles)

Motor Maintenance Section

- 1 Section Commander (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Motor NCO (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Section NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Motor Supply NCO (Corporal) (1 pistol)
- 5 Privates
  - 2 Mechanics (2 pistols, 1 2½-ton motor maintenance  
truck) (1 drives truck, other in scout car)
  - 1 Mechanic (1 pistol & 1 light scout car with  
.30 cal LMG)
  - 1 Mechanic (1 pistol & pick-up truck)
  - 1 Radio Operator (1 pistol) (machine gunner  
in scout car)

- 4 Reconnaissance Platoons, each with:
  - 1 Platoon Commander (1st/2nd Lt) (1 pistol)
  - 1 1st Sergeant
  - 1 Motor NCO (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
  - 1 Communications NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
  - 1 Demolition NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
  - 1 Mess NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
  - 2 Section NCO (Sergeant) (2 pistols)
  - 1 Supply NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
  - 1 Car Commander NCO (Corporal) (1 pistol)
  - 1 Troop Clerk (Corporal) (1 pistol)
  - 1 Squad Leader (Corporal) (1 submachine gun & 1 solo motorcycle)
  - 1 Motor Supply NCO (Corporal) (1 pistol)
- 22 Privates
  - 4 Scout Car Drivers (4 pistols & 4 light scout cars)
  - 4 Machine Gunners (4 pistols)
  - 1 Motorcycle Messenger (1 submachine gun & 1 solo motorcycle)
  - 4 Radio Operators (4 pistols)
  - 4 Riflemen (4 rifles)
  - 2 Motorcycle Scouts (2 pistols, 2 submachine guns, & 2 solo motorcycles)
  - 3 Basic Privates (3 rifles)

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