

**Organization of Vichy French Infantry Divisions
1941**

IN METROPOLITAN FRANCE

Divisional Staff:

3 Infantry Regiments, each with:

Regimental Staff Company

3 Infantry Battalions, each with:

Battalion Staff

Battalion Staff Company (3 81mm mortars & 3 60mm mortars)

4 Infantry Companies (3 60mm mortars, 6 LMGs, 4 HMGs ea)

Artillery Regiment:

Staff Battery (2 LMGs)

2 Battalions, each with:

Staff Battery (2 LMGs)

3 Batteries (4-75mm guns & 2 LMGs ea)

1 Battalion:

Staff Battery (2 LMGs)

2 Batteries (4-75mm guns & 2 LMGs ea)

1 (mot) Battery (4-75mm guns & 2 LMGs)

Reconnaissance Regiment:

1 Cavalry Battalion:

1 Staff Detachment (1 LMG)

2 Cavalry Squadrons (2 81mm mortars, 3 60mm mortars,

3 HMGs, 5 LMGs ea)

1 Bicycle Battalion:

1 Staff Detachment (1 LMG)

2 Bicycle Companies (2 81mm mortars, 3 60mm mortars,

3 HMGs, 10 LMGs ea)

1 Mixed Battalion:

1 Staff Detachment (1 LMG)

1 Bicycle Company (2 81mm mortars, 3 60mm mortars,

3 HMGs, 10 LMGs)

1 Armored Car Company (8 armored cars)

1 Pioneer Battalion:

1 Staff Detachment (1 LMG & 2 HMGs)

1 (mot) Pioneer Company (4 LMGs)

1 Pioneer Company (4 LMGs)

1 Signals Troop

1 (mixed mobility) Staff Platoon

1 (mixed mobility) Telephone Detachment

1 (mot) Radio Detachment

Support Services:

1 Motorcycle Platoon (1 LMG & 2 HMGs)

1 (mot) Supply Column

NORTH AFRICAN DIVISION

Divisional Staff:

3 Infantry Regiments, each with:

- Regimental Staff
- Regimental Staff Company (plus signals detachment)
- Support Company (2 81mm mortars & 3 HMGs)

3 Infantry Battalions, each with:

- 4 Infantry Companies (12 LMGs, 1 60mm mortar ea)
- 1 Support Company (2 81mm mortars, 1 37mm Infantry support gun, 4 37mm AA guns, 12 HMGs)

Artillery Regiment:

- Staff Battery

1 Battalion:

- Staff Battery (2 LMGs)
- 3 (mot) Batteries (4-75mm guns & 1 HMG ea)

1 Mountain Battalion:

- Staff Battery (2 LMGs)
- 3 Batteries (4-75mm guns & 1 HMG ea)

1 Battalion:

- Staff Battery (2 LMGs)
- 3 Batteries (4-75mm guns & 1 HMG ea)

Reconnaissance Regiment:

2 Cavalry Battalions, each with:

- 1 Staff Detachment (1 LMG)
- 1 Support Weapons (2 60mm mortars & 12 HMGs)
- 2 Cavalry Squadrons (12 LMGs ea)

1 Mixed Battalion:

- 1 (mot) Staff Detachment (1 LMG)
- 2 Cavalry Squadrons (12 LMGs ea)
- 2 Armored Car Companies (12 armored cars ea)

1 Pioneer Battalion:

- varied

1 Signals Troop

- 1 (mixed mobility) Staff Platoon
- 1 (mixed mobility) Telephone Detachment

Support Services:

- 1 (mot) Supply Column
- 1 (mixed mobility) Supply Column

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