

Detailed Organization
American Light Tank Destroyer Battalion
Light Tank Destroyer Pioneer Company
TO&E 18-18
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Company Headquarters:

Headquarters Section:

- 1 Captain (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (communication) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
- 1 Corporal (scout) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, & 1 solo motorcycle)
- 19 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 1 Bugler (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 5 Chauffeurs (5 .30 cal M1 carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 1 ¼-ton truck with .30 cal LMG, 1 ¾-ton command trucks - 1 with .30 cal LMG & 1 with .50 cal HMG, & 1 1-ton trailer)
 - 3 Cooks (3 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles)
 - 2 Cook's Helpers (5 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles)
 - 1 Air Compressor Operator (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle & 1 motorized air compressor)
 - 1 Radio Operator (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 1 Orderly (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 3 Scouts (3 .30 cal M1 carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 3 solo motorcycles)
 - 1 Basic (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)

Motor Maintenance Section:

- 1 Staff Sergeant (Motor) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 3 Privates (automotive mechanics) (3 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles, 1 2½-ton maintenance truck, & 1 ¼-ton truck)
- 1 Private (basic) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)

3 Pioneer Platoons, each with:

Pioneer Headquarters Section:

- 1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 10 Privates
 - 3 Chauffeurs (3 .30 cal M1 carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 1 ¼-ton truck with .30 cal LMG, 1 ¾-ton command truck with .30 cal LMG, 1 ¾-ton weapons carrier with .50 cal HMG)
 - 2 Messengers (2 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles)

- 1 Radio Operator (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 4 Basics (4 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles)
- 3 Pioneer Sections, each with:
 - 1 Sergeant (section) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 1 Corporal (asst section) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 10 Privates
 - 2 Chauffeurs (2 .30 cal M1 carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 2 3/4-ton weapons carrier with .50 cal HMG, 1 1-ton trailer)
 - 2 Demolition Specialists (2 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles)
 - 6 General Mechanics (6 .30 cal M1 carbines or M1903 rifles)

Total Equipment:

1 motorized air compressor, 159 rifles/carbines (breaking down to 121 carbines/rifles & 38 carbines/.45 cal M3A1 submachine guns), 6 .30 cal LMGs, 23 .50 cal HMGs, 17 .45 cal M1911 pistols, 4 solo motorcycles, 4 1-ton trailers, 5 1/4-ton trucks, 5 3/4-ton command trucks, 22 3/4-ton weapons carriers, & 1 2 1/2-ton maintenance cargo truck.

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