

Detailed Organization
American Heavy Tank Destroyer Battalion
Tank Destroyer Reconnaissance Company
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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 (motor) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (communications) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal carbine or rifle)
- 1 Corporal (scout) (1 .30 cal carbine or rifle)
- 23 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 1 Bugler (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 2 Chauffeurs (2 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 1 ¼-ton truck with 1 .30 cal LMG & 1 ¾-ton command truck with 1 .30 cal LMG)
 - 3 Cooks (3 .30 cal carbines or M1903 rifles)
 - 1 Cook's Helper (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 2 Drivers (2 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns & 2 light armored command cars)
 - 2 Machine Gunners (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
 - 1 Orderly (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 3 Scouts (2 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns & 2 solo motorcycles)
 - 1 Scout (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
 - 4 Basics (4 .30 cal carbines or M1903 rifles)

Motor Maintenance Section:

- 1 Staff Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 3 Automobile Mechanics (2 .30 cal carbines or M1903 rifles, 1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, 1 2½-ton maintenance truck with 1 .50 cal HB HMG)

Pioneer Platoon (2 sections)

- 1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (section leader) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 2 Corporals (asst. section leader) (2 .30 cal carbines or M1903 rifles)
- 22 Privates
 - 2 Chauffeurs (2 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 2 ¾-ton weapons carriers & 2 1-ton weapons carriers)
 - 4 Demolition (4 .30 cal carbines or M1903 rifles)
 - 3 Drivers (3 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 1 armored command car,

2 armored personnel cars [substitute armored
command car or halftracks])
12 General Mechanics (12 .30 cal carbines or
M1903 rifles)
1 Radio Operator (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)

3 Reconnaissance Platoons, each with:

1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
2 Sergeants (section leader) (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
21 Privates
4 Chauffeurs (4 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal
M3A1 submachine guns, 4 ¼-ton trucks &
2 .50 cal HB HMGs)
2 Drivers (2 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal
M3A1 submachine guns, 2 armored recon-
naissance cars [substitute armored
command car or halftracks])
2 Gunners (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
2 Machine Gunners (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
2 Radio Operators (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
6 Riflemen (6 .30 cal carbines or M1903 rifles)
2 Scouts (2 .30 cal carbines or .45 cal
M3A1 submachine guns & 2 solo motorcycles)

Total Equipment:

3 light armored command cars, 2 armored personnel cars, 6 armored reconnaissance cars,
92 .30 cal carbines, 2 .30 cal LMGs, 13 .50 cal HB HMGs, 46 .45 cal M1911 pistols, 9
solo motorcycles, 2 1-5on cargo trailers, 13 ¼-ton trucks, 1 3/4-ton command truck 2
3/4-ton weapons carrier & 1 2½-ton cargo truck.

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