

**Detailed Organization, American
Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized Cavalry Regiment
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Table of Organization 2-77
(superseded 3/1/43)**

Troop Headquarters

Headquarters Section

- 1 Troop Commander (Captain) (1 pistol)
- 1 Executive Officer (1 pistol)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1st Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Mess Sergeant (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Communications NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Demolitions NCO (Sergeant) (1 rifle)
- 1 Supply NCO (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Troop Clerk (Corporal) (1 submachine gun)
- 1 Squad Leader (Corporal) (1 submachine gun & 1 ¼-ton truck with .30 cal LMG)

32 Privates

- 2 Armorers (2 carbines)
- 1 Bugler (1 carbine)
- 1 Ammunition Supply Clerk (1 pistol)
- 4 Cooks (4 carbines)
- 2 Cook's Helpers (2 rifles)
- 2 Armored Car Drivers (2 submachine guns & 2 T-22 or M3A1 armored cars)
- 6 Light Truck Drivers (6 carbines, 1 3/4-ton command & reconnaissance truck with .30 cal LMG, 4 3/4-ton combat weapons carriers with .50 cal HMGs, & 1 2½-ton kitchen truck with .50 cal HMG and 1-ton cargo trailer)
- 1 Radio Electrician (1 carbine)
- 2 Anti-aircraft Machine Gunners (2 rifles)
- 4 Radio Operators, 2 pistols, 2 rifles,
- 2 Scout Motorcyclists (2 carbines & 2 solo motorcycles)
- 1 Orderly (1 rifle)
- 4 Basics (3 carbines & 1 rifle)

Maintenance Section

- 1 Section Commander (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Motor NCO (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Motor Supply NCO (Corporal) (1 pistol)
- 11 Privates
 - 1 Armored Car Drivers (1 submachine gun & 1 T-22 or M3A1 armored car)
 - 1 Anti-Tank Gunner (1 rifle)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 carbine & 1 2½-ton motor maintenance truck with 1 .50 cal HMG)
 - 5 Mechanics (4 pistol, 1 carbine, 2 3/4-ton weapons carrier fuel trucks & 1 ¼-ton truck)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 pistols)
 - 1 Basic Private (1 rifle)

3 Reconnaissance Platoons, each with:

Platoon Headquarters

- 1 Platoon Commander (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Platoon Leader (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)

2 Reconnaissance Sections, each with:

- 1 Section Leader (Sergeant) (1 submachine gun)
- 1 Squad Leader (Corporal) (rifle)

16 Privates

- 1 Armored Car Drivers (1 submachine gun & 1 T-22 or M3A1 armored car)
- 1 Anti-Tank Gunner (1 pistol)
- 3 Light Truck Drivers (3 carbine & 3 ¼-ton trucks, 2 with .30 cal LMGs)
- 1 Anti-aircraft Machine Gunner (1 rifle, 1 ¼-ton truck with .50 cal HMG)
- 2 Radio Operators (1 pistol & 1 rifle)
- 5 Riflemen (5 rifles)
- 1 Motorcycle scout (1 carbine & 1 solo motorcycle)
- 2 Basic Privates (1 rifle & 1 carbine)

Mortar Squad

- 1 Squad Leader (Corporal) (1 pistol & 1 81mm mortar)
- 2 Light Truck Drivers (2 carbines & 2 3/4-ton command & reconnaissance trucks)
- 1 Machine Gunner (1 pistol & 1 .30 cal LMG - apparently on one of the ¼-ton trucks)

Pioneer and Demolition Squad

- 1 Squad Leader (Corporal) (1 rifle)
- 1 Light Truck Driver (1 carbine & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier with .50 cal HMG)
- 2 Mechanics (2 rifles)

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