

Detailed Organization
American 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 (mess) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (radio) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
- 1 Corporal (asst. section) (1 .30 cal carbine or M1903 rifle)
- 17 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 .30 cal carbine)
 - 1 Bugler (1 .30 cal M1903 rifle)
 - 1 Chauffeur (1 .30 cal carbine & 1 ¼-ton truck)
 - 3 Cooks (3 .30 cal carbines)
 - 2 Cook's Helpers (2 .30 cal carbine)
 - 2 Drivers (2 .30 cal carbines & 2 light armored cars)
 - 3 Motorcycle Messengers (3 .30 cal carbines)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 .30 cal carbines)
 - 1 Orderly (1 .30 cal M1903 rifle)
 - 1 Scout (1 .30 cal M1903 rifle)

Motor Maintenance Section:

- 1 Staff Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 5 Privates
 - 3 Automobile Mechanics (3 .30 cal carbines
1 M1903 rifle, 1 ¼-ton truck, & 1 2½-ton cargo truck)
 - 2 Basics (2 .30 cal carbines)

Pioneer Platoon:

Platoon Headquarters

- 1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .30 cal carbine)
- 4 Privates
 - 1 Chauffeur (1 .30 cal carbine)
 - 1 Driver (1 .30 cal carbine & 1 light armored car with 1 .50 cal HB HMG [substitute M2 halftrack])
 - 1 Air Compressor Operator (1 .30 cal carbine & 1 motorized air compressor)
 - 1 Radio Operator (1 .30 cal M1903 rifle)

2 Pioneer Sections, each with:

- 1 Sergeant (section leader) (1 .30 cal carbine)
- 1 Corporal (asst section leader) (1 .30 cal carbine)
- 10 Privates
 - 2 Demolition (2 .30 cal carbines)
 - 1 Driver (1 .30 cal carbine, 1 light armored

car with 1 .50 cal HB HMG [substitute
M2 halftrack] & 1 1-ton trailer)
1 Chauffeur (1 .30 cal carbine. 1 3/4-ton
weapons carrier, & 1 1-ton trailer)
6 General Mechanics (4 .30 cal M1 carbines,
2 .30 cal M1903 rifles)

3 Reconnaissance Platoons, each with:

1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .30 cal carbine)
2 Sergeants (section leader) (2 .30 cal carbines)
24 Privates
6 Chauffeurs (6 .30 cal carbines & 6 ¼-ton trucks,
4 armed with .30 cal LMG and all equipped
with radios)
2 Drivers (2 .30 cal carbines & 2 light armored
cars equipped with radios)
2 Gunners (2 .30 cal carbines)
4 Machine Gunners (4 .30 cal M1903 rifles)
2 Motorcycle Messengers (2 .30 cal carbines
& 2 solo motorcycles)
2 Radio Operators (2 .30 cal M1903 rifles)
2 Riflemen (2 .30 cal M1903 rifles)
4 Basics (3 .30 cal carbines & 1 M1903 rifle)

Note: All rifles have grenade launchers & all carbines can be replaced by the .45 cal
M3A1 submachine gun.

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