

**Detailed Organization, American Field Artillery
Service Battery
Armored Field Artillery Battalion
15 September 1943
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Battery Headquarters

Headquarters Section

- 1 Battery Commander (Captain) (1 carbine)
- 1 Liaison Agent (Corporal) (1 carbine)
- 3 Privates
 - 1 Bugler (1 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton command truck)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 carbines)

Administration, Mess & Supply Section

- 1 1st Sergeant (1 carbine)
- 1 Mess Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Supply Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Battery Clerk (1 carbine)
- 12 Privates

- 2 Cooks (2 carbines)
- 1 Cook's Helpers (1 carbine)
- 1 Light Truck Driver (1 submachine gun & 1 2½-ton kitchen truck)
- 8 Basic Privates (8 carbines)

Maintenance Section

- 1 Battery Motor Officer (2nd Lt) (1 carbine)
- 1 Motor Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 3 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 submachine gun & 1 ¼-ton truck)
 - 2 Automobile Mechanics (1 carbine, 1 submachine gun & 1 2½-ton cargo truck with 1-ton trailer and .50 cal HB HMG)

Battalion Administrative & Personnel Section

- 1 S-1 Officer (1st Lt) (1 carbine)
- 4 Privates
 - 1 Headquarters Clerk (1 carbine)
 - 1 Personnel Clerk (1 carbine)
 - 1 Clerk Typist (1 carbine)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 submachine gun, 1 2½-ton personnel & equipment truck)

Battalion Maintenance Platoon

- 1 Battalion S-4 Officer (Captain) (1 carbine)
- 1 Motor Chief (Master Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Chief Mechanic (Technical Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Motor Supply Chief (Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 15 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 carbine)
 - 1 Artillery Mechanic (1 carbine)
 - 5 Automobile Mechanics (2 submachine guns, 3 carbines
 - 1 2½-ton maintenance truck with 2.36" rocket launcher)
 - 5 Tank Mechanics (3 submachine guns, 2 carbines,
 - 1 2½-ton maintenance truck with 2.36" rocket launcher & 2 T5 tank recover vehicles)

- 1 Wrecker Operator (1 submachine gun & heavy wrecker truck)
- 1 Radio Repairman (1 carbine)
- 1 Combination Welder (1 carbine)

Battalion Supply and Transportation Platoon

- 1 Asst S-4/Supply Officer (1st Lt) (1 carbine)
- 1 Supply Sergeant (Technical Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Mess Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Supply Assistant (Staff Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 3 Section Chiefs (Sergeants) (3 carbines)
- 33 Privates
 - 1 Headquarters Clerk (1 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton command truck)
 - 2 Supply Clerks (1 carbine, 1 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier truck)
 - 9 Ammunition Handlers (9 carbines)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 carbines)
 - 17 Light Truck Drivers (17 submachine guns, 3 2.36" rocket launchers, 9 M10 ammunition trailers, 7 1-ton trailers, 1 ¼-ton truck, 9 2½-ton artillery ammunition trucks, 5 2½-ton fuel & lubricants trucks, 1 Ratio 2½-ton cargo truck, 1 2½-ton water truck.

On 21 June 1944 the Battalion Supply and Transportation Platoon replaced its 3/4-ton command truck with a 3/4-ton weapons carrier.

Another change on 7 August 1944 authorized a 1st or 2nd Lt in the Battery HQ's Maintenance Section.

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