

Detailed Organization
American Towed Tank Destroyer Battalion
Headquarters & Headquarters Company
TO&E 18-36
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Battalion Headquarters

- 1 Lieutenant Colonel (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Major (executive) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Major (S-3) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Captain (S-2) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Captain (S-4) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Captain (communications) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (S-1/bn motor) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (reconnaissance) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Company Headquarters

- 1 Captain (communications) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine) (see above)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (reconnaissance) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
(see above)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 27 Privates

- 1 Bugler (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun &
1 ¼-ton truck)
- 4 Cooks (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
- 2 Cooks' Helpers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
- 1 Armored Car Driver (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun
1 M10 light armored utility car [substitute M2
halftrack])
- 2 Machine Gunners (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
- 2 Radio Operators (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns
& 1 ¾-ton command truck)
- 1 Orderly (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 14 Riflemen (14 .30 cal M1 carbines or rifles)

Unassigned Equipment

- 10 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

2 Reconnaissance Platoons, each with:

- 1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 2 Sergeants (section leader) (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
- 18 Privates
 - 2 Armored Car Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns
2 M8 armored cars with armament [substitute
M2 halftrack])
 - 2 Anti-tank Gunners (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
 - 4 Light Truck Drivers (4 .45 cal M3 submachine guns
4 ¼-ton trucks, each with 1 .30 cal MG)
 - 4 Machine Gunners (4 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
 - 2 Motorcycle Messengers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine
guns & 2 solo motorcycles)
 - 2 Radiomen (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
 - 2 Radio Repairmen (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)

Unassigned Equipment

6 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Communications Platoon:

1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Technical Sergeant (radio) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Sergeant (msg center chief) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Corporal (panel & code) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
9 Privates
1 General Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Light Truck Driver (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun
& 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier)
4 Motorcycle Messengers (4 .45 cal M3 submachine gun
& 4 solo motorcycles)
1 Radio Operator (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Orderly (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Radio Repairman (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun
& 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier)

Staff Section:

Administrative Section:

1 Warrant Officer (general clerical) (1.45 cal M3
submachine gun)
1 Master Sergeant (sergeant major) (1.45 cal M3
submachine gun)
1 Technical Sergeant (personnel) (1.45 cal M3
submachine gun)
1 Private (clerk typist) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Private (light truck driver) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine
gun & 1 2½-ton administration truck)

Intelligence & Operations Section

2 1st Lieutenants (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
1 Technical Sergeant (intelligence) (1.45 cal M3
submachine gun)
1 Technical Sergeant (operations) (1.45 cal M3
submachine gun)
13 Privates
1 General Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
3 Armored Car Drivers (3 .45 cal M3 submachine
guns & 3 M10 light armored cars)
2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine
guns & 2 3/4-ton command trucks)
6 Radio Operators (6 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
1 Stenographer (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Unassigned Equipment

4 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Supply Section

1 Technical Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine
gun)
1 Staff Sergeant (asst. supply) (1 .45 cal M3
submachine gun)
1 Sergeant (ammunition) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
5 Privates
1 Gas & Oil Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
1 Supply Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns
& 2 3/4-ton weapons carriers)

1 Radio Operator (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Maintenance Platoon

1 Warrant Officer (motor officer) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Master Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Staff Sergeant (motor inspector) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Staff Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

2 Sergeants (crew chief) (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)

17 Privates

1 Armorer (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Automobile Parts Clerk (1 3/4-ton weapons carrier
& 1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Heavy Truck Driver (2 1/2-ton M1 heavy wrecker truck
& 1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Motor Inspector (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

10 Automobile Mechanics (10 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)

2 2 1/2-ton maintenance trucks [1 with .50 cal HB
HMG], 2 1-ton trailers,

& 1 1/4-ton truck [1 with .30 cal LMG]

1 Motorcycle Mechanics (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Radio Mechanic (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Welder (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Transportation Platoon

1 2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Staff Sergeant (truckmaster) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

1 Sergeant (asst. truckmaster) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

19 Privates

12 Light Truck Drivers (12 .45 cal M3 submachine guns,

10 1-ton trailers, 2 1/4-ton trucks, 6 2 1/2-ton
ammunition trucks [1 with .30 cal LMG & 2 with

.50 cal HB HMGs], 4 2 1/2-ton kitchen trucks
[1 with .30 cal LMG & 1 with .50 cal HB HMG]

7 Ammunition Handlers (7 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)

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