Detailed Organization American Light Tank Battalion Service Company 15 September 1943 Table of Organization 17-19

Company Headquarters

Headquarters Section:

- 1 Captain (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (communication chief) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 3 Privates
 - 1 Bugler (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton command truck)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)

Maintenance Section:

- 1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (motor) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 4 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 4-ton truck & 1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine qun)
 - 2 Automobile Mechanics (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
 - 1 Automobile Mechanic (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 2½-ton maintenance truck with
 - 1 .50 cal HB flexible HMG)

Administrative, Mess & Supply Section:

- 1 1st Sergeant (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 12 Privates
 - 2 Cooks (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
 - 1 Cook's Helper (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Chauffeur (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 2½-ton kitchen truck with .30 cal LMG)
 - 8 Basics (8 .30 cal M1 carbines)

$\frac{\text{Battalion Administrative}}{1 \text{ Warrant Officer}} \underbrace{\&}_{\textbf{(1)}} \frac{\text{Personnel}}{\textbf{.30 cal M1}} \underbrace{\text{Section:}}_{\textbf{carbine}}$

- 1 Technical Sergeant (personnel) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 4 Privates
 - 1 Headquarters Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Personnel Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Supply Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun
 - & 1 2½-ton personnel & equipment truck)

Battalion Supply & Transport Section:

- 1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Warrant Officer (personnel) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (chief mechanic) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (motor supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Corporal (dispatcher) (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 4-ton truck)
- 31 Privates
 - 1 General Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Supply Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)

- 1 Supply Clerk (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier truck)
- 14 Light Truck Drivers (14 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 6 2½-ton ammunition trucks, 6 2½-ton fuel & lubricants, 1 2½-ton ration, 1 1 2½-ton water truck, 7 1-ton trailers, 6 M10 ammunition trailers & 4 2.36" rocket launchers)
- 7 Machine Gunners (3 .30 cal LMGs & 4 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs which are mounted on $2\frac{1}{2}$ -ton trucks)
- 7 Ammunition Handlers (7 .30 cal M1 carbines)

Battalion Maintenance Platoon:

- 1 Captain (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Warrant Officer (general motor transport)(1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Master Sergeant (motor)(1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (chief mechanic) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (chief mechanic) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (motor supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 22 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton truck)
 - 1 Artillery Mechanic (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 3 Automobile Mechanics (2 .30 cal M1 carbines, 1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, & 1 M3A1 halftrack with 1 .50 cal HB flexible HMG, & 1 2.36" rocket launcher)
 - 3 Automobile Mechanics (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 1 .30 cal M1 carbine, 2 2½-ton maintenance trucks with 1 .30 cal LMG & 1 2.36" rocket launcher between them)
 - 5 Tank Mechanics (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, 3 .30 cal M1 carbines & 2 light tanks)
 - 4 Tank Mechanics (4 .30 cal M1 carbines)
 - 2 Heavy Wrecker Operators (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 2 heavy wrecker trucks with 1 .30 cal LMG between them.
 - 1 Radio Repairman (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 2 Combination Welders (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)

Total Equipment:

69 .30 cal M1 carbines, 1 M3A1 halftrack, 6 .30 cal LMGs, 6 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs, 29 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 7 2.36" rocket launchers, 2 light tanks (spares), 6 M10 ammunition trailers, 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton trucks, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton command truck, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton weapons carrier, 19 $\frac{2}{2}$ -ton trucks.

<u>Change</u> #1 - 21 June 1944

Headquarters Delete 2 light tanks Delete 3/4-ton command truck

$\frac{\text{Administrative, }}{\text{Reduced privates}} \, \frac{\text{Mess}}{\text{from 12}} \, \frac{\text{Section:}}{\text{5}}$

Reduced carbines from 15 to 12

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