

Organizational Summary
American Special Medium Tank Battalion
4 December 1943

Table of Organization 17-45S

Headquarters & Headquarters Company, (T/O 17-46S)

1 Lt. Colonel, 2 Majors, 4 Captains, 2 1st Lts, 2 2nd Lts,
1 Master Sergeant, 1 1st Sergeant, 3 Technical Sergeants,
4 Staff Sergeants, 5 Sergeants, 7 Corporals, 10 Technician
Grade 4, 21 Technician Grade 5, 17 Privates 1st Class,
& 25 Privates:
Total: 11 Officers and 94 Enlisted.

5 M3A2 halftracks without armament, 50 .30 cal M1 carbines,
3 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs, 2 .30 cal LMGs, 34 .45 cal M3A1
submachine guns, 6 M9 2.36" rocket launchers, 3 .45 cal M1911
pistols, 18 .30 cal M1 rifles, 3 medium tanks, 2 1-ton
trailers, 14 ¼-ton trucks, 1 ¾-ton command truck, &
1 2½-ton cargo truck

3 Tank Companies, (T/O 17-47S), each with:

1 Captain, 2 1st Lts, 2 2nd Lts, 1 1st Sergeants, 1 Technical
Sergeants, 5 Staff Sergeants, 17 Sergeants, 25 Corporals,
20 Technician Grade 4, 35 Technician Grade 5, 15 Privates
1st Class, & 28 Privates:
Total: 5 Officers and 147 Enlisted.

1 M3A2 halftrack without armament, 32 .30 cal M1 carbines,
2 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs, 1 .30 cal LMG, 120 .45 cal M3A1
submachine guns, 3 M9 2.36" rocket launchers, 1 81mm mortar,
6 medium tanks, 18 special tanks, 1 1-ton trailer, 2
¼-ton trucks, 1 2½-ton cargo truck & 1 M32 tank recovery
vehicle.

Service Company, (T/O 17-49S):

2 Captains, 1 1st Lt, 1 2nd Lt, 1 Master Sergeant, 1 1st
Sergeant, 4 Technical Sergeants, 5 Staff Sergeants, 2 Sergeants,
2 Corporals, 19 Technician Grade 4, 36 Technician Grade 5,
17 Privates 1st Class, & 27 Privates:
Total: 4 Officers and 114 Enlisted.

1 M3A1 halftrack without armament, 76 .30 cal M1 carbines,
11 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs, 11 .30 cal LMGs, 45 .45 cal
M3A1 submachine guns, 12 M9 2.36" rocket launchers, 2 81mm
mortars, 14 M10 ammunition trailers, 21 1-ton trailers,
3 ¼-ton trucks, 1 ¾-ton command truck, 1 ¾-ton weapons
carrier, 35 2½-ton cargo trucks, 2 heavy wrecker trucks &
2 M32 tank recovery vehicles without armament.

Attached Medical:

2 Captains or 1st Lieutenants, 1 Staff Sergeant, 1 Corporal,
1 Technician Grade 3, 1 Technician Grade 4, 5 Technician Grade
5, 5 Privates 1st Class & 6 Privates
Total: 2 Officers & 20 Enlisted

3 M3A2 ambulance halftracks, 1 1-ton trailer & 1 ¼-ton truck

Change #1 - 21 August 1944

Headquarters & Headquarters Company revise categories as indicated:

Technician Grade 5 21
Privates 22
Carbines 47
Delete 3/4-ton command truck
Add 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier

Tank Companies

Technician Grade 5 35
Privates 22
Carbines 29
delete .30 cal LMG
HMG, .50 cal reduce to 1
Reduce submachine guns to 117

Service Company

Technician Grade 5 36
Privates 23
Carbines 72
HMG, .50 cal reduce to 9
LMG, .30 cal reduce to 9
Replace 3/4-ton command truck with 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier

Attached Medical

Technician Grade 5 4
Privates 6
Replace M3A2 ambulance halftracks with 1 KD 3/4-ton ambulance
Delete 1-ton trailer
¼-ton truck increased to 4
Add 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier

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