

Organizational Summary
American Special Medium Tank Battalion
Service Company
4 December 1943
Table of Organization 17-49S

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 Technical Sergeant (motor) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 5 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 ¼-ton truck)
 - 3 Automobile Mechanics (3 .30 cal M1 carbines)
 - 1 Automobile Mechanic (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, 1 2½-ton maintenance truck with 1 1-ton trailer & 1 .50 cal HB flexible HMG)

Administrative, Mess & Supply Section:

- 1 1st Sergeant (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (mess) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 14 Privates
 - 2 Cooks (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
 - 1 Cook's Helper (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, 1 2½-ton maintenance truck with 1 1-ton trailer & 1 M9 2.36" rocket launcher)
 - 10 Basics (10 .30 cal M1 carbines)

Battalion Administrative & Personnel Section:

- 1 Warrant Officer (personnel) (1 .30 cal M1 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 Clerk Typist (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 2½-ton personnel & equipment truck with 1 1-ton trailer & 1 M9 2.36" rocket launcher)

Battalion Supply & Transportation Platoon:

- 1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Warrant Officer (general supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (supply asst) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Corporal (dispatcher) (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 ¼-ton truck)

46 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)
- 29 Light Truck Drivers (27 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 14 2½-ton ammunition trucks, 13 2½-ton kitchen trucks, 1 2½-ton rations truck, 1 2½-ton water truck, 14 M10 ammunition trailers, 15 1-ton trailers, 6 M9 2.36" rocket launchers 7 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs & 7 .30 cal LMGs)
- 7 Machine Gunners (7 .30 cal M1 carbines)
- 7 Ammunition Handlers (7 .30 cal M1 carbines)

Battalion Maintenance Platoon

- 1 Captain (battalion motor) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Warrant Officer (motor transport) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Master Sergeant (motor) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (mechanic chief) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (chief mechanic) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Sergeant (supply motor) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 27 Privates

- 1 Armorer (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun & 1 ¼-ton truck)
- 1 Artillery Mechanic (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 3 Automobile Mechanics (3 .30 cal M1 carbines)
- 3 Automobile Mechanic (1 2½-ton maintenance truck with .50 cal HB flexible HMG, 1 2½-ton maintenance with .30 cal LMG, 2 1-ton trailers, 1 M3A2 halftrack with .50 cal HB flexible HMG & 3 .45 cal .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns)
- 10 Tank Mechanics (10 .30 cal M1 carbines)
- 2 Tank Mechanics (2 M32 tank recovery vehicles [each mounting 1 .50 cal HB flexible HMG, 1 .30 cal LMG & 1 81mm mortar] & 2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns)
- 2 Wrecker Operators (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
- 1 Electric Motor Repairman (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Electric Motor Repairman (1 2 ½-ton maintenance truck with .30 cal LMG & 1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun)
- 1 Radio Repairman (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 2 Welders (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)

Total Equipment:

1 M3A2 halftrack, 24 .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, 3 ¼-ton trucks, 1 3/4-ton command truck, 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier, 35 2½-ton trucks.

Change #1 - 21 August 1944

Company HO, HO Section:

3/4-ton command truck became 3/4-ton weapons carrier

Administrative, Mess & Supply Section:

Number of privates fell from 14 to 10

Number of carbines fell from 17 to 13

Battalion Maintenance Platoon

HMG, .50 cal reduced from 2 to 1

LMG, .30 cal reduced from 4 to 2

81mm mortars eliminated

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