# Organization of Russian Independent Artillery Brigades and Regiments Summer 1944 

Light Artillery Brigade in an Artillery Division:
Brigade Headquarters:
Headquarters \& Operations Staff (20 officers, 5 men, 25 rifles, 4 trucks, 2 SP vehicles)
Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles, \& 1 SP vehicle)
Supply Staff (10 officers, 10 men, 20 rifles, 4 trucks, 1 SP vehicle)
Headquarters Battery:
HQ Platoon (1 officer, 11 men, 6 rifles, 6 SMGs, 1 truck)
Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 16 men, 12 rifles,
5 SMGs, 2 trucks)
Signal Platoon (1 officer, 34 men, 30 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks, 4 radios)
Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs 3 trucks)
AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGs, 312.7 mm AA HMGs, 3trucks)
Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
$\underline{3}$ (mot) Light Artillery Regiments, (338 officers, 1,623 men, 1,584 rifles, 231 SMGs, 36 LMGs, 7276.2 mm Guns, 12 tractors, 60 trailers, 243 trucks, 42 SP vehicles, 24 kitchens, 78 radios)
Headquarters:
1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
$\underline{2}$ (mot) Artillery Battalions, each with:
3 (mot) Batteries (4-76.2mm guns, 4 AT rifles \& 2 LMGs ea)
1 (mot) Infantry Platoon
1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
1 (mot) Administration Platoon
1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
Brigade Support Troops:
Medical Platoon: (3 officers, 8 men, 114 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP vehicle)
Ammunition Column: (1 officers, 20 men, 21 rifles, 6 tractors, 12 trailers, 12 trucks,)
Work Shops: (6 officers, 18 men, 24 4ifles, 3 trucks, 3 SP
Vehicles)

Independent 122 mm Howitzer Brigade
Headquarters \& Operations Staff (20 officers, 5 men, 25 rifles, 4 trucks \& 2 SP vehicles)
Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles, \& 1 SP vehicle)
Supply Staff (10 officers, 10 men, 20 r4ifles, 3 trucks, \& 1 SP vehicle)
HQ Battery
HQ Platoon (1 officer, 11 men, 6 rifles, 6 SMGs, 1 truck) Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 11 rifles, 6 SMGs, 2 trucks)

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    Signal Platoon (1 officer, 24 men, 20 rifles, 5 SMGs,
        3 trucks)
    Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs,
        } trucks)
    AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGS, 3 12.7mm
        AAA HMGs, 3 trucks)
    Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
3 Howitzer Regiments: (212 officers, 1,820 men, 1,706 rifles, 338
                SMGs, 36 LMGs, 6 12.7mm AA HMGs, 48 122mm howitzers,
                24 152mm howitzers, 146 tractors 176 trucks, 28 SP
                vehicles, 22 kitchens, }74\mathrm{ radios
    1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
    2 (mot)
    4 (mot) Batteries (2 122mm guns ea)
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ L i g h t ~ M u n i t i o n s ~ C o l u m n ~
    1 (mot) 152mm Artillery Battalion,
    1 (mot) Signals Platoon
    4 (mot) Batteries (2 152mm guns ea)
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ L i g h t ~ M u n i t i o n s ~ C o l u m n ~
Support Troops:
    Medical Platoon (3 officers, 8 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck & 1 SP
    vehicle)
    Ammunition Platoon (1 officer, 24 men, 25 rifles, 12 tractors,
        24 trailers, }12\mathrm{ trucks)
    Work Shops (6 officers, 8 men, 24 rifles, 3 trucks, 3 SP
    vehicles)
    Supply Section (5 men, 5 rifles, 2 trucks, 1 kitchen)
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Medium Gun Brigade:
Headquarters $\underline{\&}$ Operations Staff (20 officers, 5 men, 25 rifles, 4 trucks, 2 SP vehciles)
Political Staff: (3 officers, 3 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
Supply Staff: (10 officers, 10 men, 20 rifles, 4 trucks, 1 SP vehicle)
Hq Battery:
HQ Platoon (1 officer, 11 men, 6 rifles, 6 SMGs, 1 truck)
Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 11 4ifles, 5 SMGs,
2 trucks)
Signal platoon (1 officer, 24 men, 20 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks \&
4 radios
Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 mem, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3
trucks)
AA MG Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGs, 312.7 mm
AA HMGs, 3 trucks)
Supply Section ( 7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
$\underline{3}$ Medium Gun Regiments: (226 officers, 1,692 men, 1,210 rifles,
284 SMGs, 18 LMGs, 612.7 mm AA HMGs, 12122 mm guns, 24
152 mm guns, 74 tractors, 52 trailers, 152 trucks, 10 SP
vehicles, 16 kitchens, 62 radios)
Medical Platoon: (3 officers, 8 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP Vehicle)
Ammunition Platoon: (1 officer, 24 men, 25 rifles, 12 tractors,
24 trailers, 12 trucks)
Work Shops: (8 officers, 18 men, 24 rifles, 3 trucks, 3 SP vehicles)

Light Artillery Regiment (557 men)
HQ and Operations Staff (7 officers, 2 men, 9 rifles, 1 Truck) Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles) Supply Staff (7 officers, 6 men, 13 rifles 2 trucks) HQ Battery

HQ Platoon (1 officer, 7 men, 4 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 10 men, 6 rifles,
5 SMGs, 2 trucks)
Signal Platoon (1 officer, 23 men, 19 rifles, 5 SMGs,
3 trucks, 4 radios)
Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles,
5 SMGs, 3 trucks)
Supply Section (4 men, 4 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP vehicle)
$\underline{2}$ (mot) Artillery Battalions: (48 officers, 428 men,
406 rifles, 58 SMGs, 12 LMGs, 2476.2 mm guns, 4
4 tractors, 20 trailers, 54 trucks, 6 SP vehicles,
6 kitchens, 22 radios)
3 (mot) Batteries (4-76.2mm guns \& 2 LMGs ea)
1 (mot) Medical Platoon (3 officers, 8 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck
\& 1 SP vehicle)
1 (mot) Ordnance Workshop (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 truck
\& 1 SP vehicle)
1 (mot) Quartermaster Workshop (5a men, 5 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
1 Transportation Platoon (1 officer, 16 men, 17 rifles, 11 trucks
5 SP vehicles)
1 Supply Section (3 men, 3 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)

Independent 107 mm Gun Regiment ( 750 men )
1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
3 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
3 (mot) Batteries (2-107mm guns ea)
Support Troops, assumed to be:
1 (mot) Infantry Platoon
1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
1 (mot) Administration Platoon
1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
Total Equipment
18107 mm Guns, Model M-40, M-60.

Independent (mot) 122 mm Gun Regiment ( 800 men )
HQ and Operations Staff (11 officers, 2 men, 13 rifles, 2 trucks) Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles)

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Supply Stqaff (5 officers, 3 men, 8 rifles, 1 truck)
HQ Battery
    HQ Platoon (1 officer, 9 men, 6 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
    Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, }14\mathrm{ men, 10 rifles, 5 SMGs,
        1 truck)
    Signal Platoon (1 officer, }34\mathrm{ men, }30\mathrm{ rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks
    4 \text { radios)}
    Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs, 2
                trucks)
    AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 m3n, 13 rifles, 34 SMGs, 3 12.7mm
                AA HMGs, 3 trucks)
    Supply Section (7 men, }7\mathrm{ rifles, 3 trucks, 1 kitchen)
2 (mot) Artillery Battalions (48 officers, 482 men, 436 rifles,
            98 SMGs, 12 LMGs, 24 122mm howitzers, 48 tractors, 36
            trailers, 38 trucks, 6 SP vehicles, 6 kitchens & 22 radios)
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ B a t t a l i o n ~ S t a f f ~ C o m p a n y ~
    3 (mot) Batteries (4-122mm guns ea)
    1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
1 (mot) Artillery Battalion: (24 officers, 254 men, 231 rifles,
            4 9 \text { SMGs, 6 LMGs, 12 152mm howitzers, 24 tractors, 18}
            trailers, 19 trucks, 3 SP vehicles, 3 kitchens & 11 radios)
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ B a t t a l i o n ~ S t a f f ~ C o m p a n y ~
    3 \text { (mot) Batteries (4-152mm guns ea)}
    1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
Support Troops:
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ M e d i c a l ~ P l a t o o n ~ ( 3 ~ o f f i c e r s , ~ 9 ~ m e n , ~ 1 2 ~ r i f l e s , ~ 1 ~ t r u c k ,
        1 SP vehicle)
    1 (mot) Ordnance Work Shop (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles,
        1 SP vehicle)
    1 (mot) QM Work Shop (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
    1 Transportation Platoon (1 officer, }10\mathrm{ men, 11 rifles, 7 trucks)
    1 Supply Section (3 m3en, 3 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
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Independent 152 mm Cannon Brigade ( $2,500 \mathrm{men}$ )
1 (mot) Brigade Staff Company
1 (mot) Signals Platoon
3 Cannon Regiments:
1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
$3 \frac{(\mathrm{mot})}{1} \frac{\text { Artillery }}{(\mathrm{mot}) \text { Signals Platoon }}$,
3 (mot) Batteries (2-152mm cannons, 1 LMG \& 2 AT Rifles ea)
1 (mot) Light Supply Column
Support Troops:
organization unknown
Total Equipment - 54152 mm cannon

Independent 152 mm Howitzer Brigade (1,500 men)
1 (mot) Brigade Staff Company
1 (mot) Signals Platoon

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1 Howitzer Regiment:
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    4 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
            4 ~ ( m o t ) ~ B a t t e r i e s ~ ( 2 - 1 5 2 m m ~ h o w i t z e r s ~ e a )
            1 (mot) Light Supply Column
    Support Troops:
            organization unknown
    Total Equipment - 32 152mm howitzers/Mod 37
Independent 203mm Howitzer Brigade (1,300 men)
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ B r i g a d e ~ S t a f f ~ C o m p a n y ~
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ S i g n a l s ~ P l a t o o n
1 Howitzer Regiment:
    1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ R e g i m e n t a l ~ S t a f f ~ C o m p a n y
    3 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
        4 ~ ( m o t ) ~ B a t t e r i e s ~ ( 2 - 2 0 3 m m ~ h o w i t z e r s ~ e a )
        1 ~ ( m o t ) ~ L i g h t ~ S u p p l y ~ C o l u m n ~
    Support Troops:
        organization unknown
    Total Equipment - 24 203mm howitzers
Independent 203mm Howitzer Artillery Regiment (300 men)
    1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
    2 Artillery Battlaions:
        1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
        3 (mot) Artillery Batteries (2-203mm howitzers ea)
    Support Troops
        organization unknown
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## Medium Gun Regiment

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Headquarters & Operations Staff (11 officers, 2 men, 13 rifles,
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Headquarters \& Operations Staff (11 officers, 2 men, 13 rifles,
2 trucks)
Political Staff (3 officers)
Supply Staff (9 officers, 9 men, 18 rifles, 2 trucks)
HQ Battery
HQ Platoon (1 officer, 9 men, 6 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
Reconnaissance Platoon 91 officer, }18\mathrm{ men, 14 rifles,
5 SMGs, 2 trucks)
Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs,
2 trucks)
Signals Platoon (1 officer, }34\mathrm{ men, }30\mathrm{ rifles, 5 SMGs,
} trucks, 4 radios)
AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGs, 3 12.7mm AA
HMGs, 3 trucks)
Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
2 152mm Gun/Howitzer Battalions (50 officers, 464 men, 228 rifles,
80 SMGs, 6 LMGs, 12 152mm guns/howitzers, 24 tractors,
1 6 trailers, 3 0 rucks, 4 kitchens, 1 8 radios)
1 122mm Gun/howitzer Battalion (25 officers, 208 men, 190 rifles,
40 SMGs, 3 LMGs, 6 122mm guns/howitzers, 12 tractors
trailers, }15\mathrm{ trucks, 2 kitchens, 9 radios)

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Medical Platoon (3 officer, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP vehicle) Ordnance Wrok Shop (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 SP vehicle) Quartermaster work Shop ( 7 men, 7 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
Transportation Platoon (4 officers, 32 men, 36 rifles, 1 tractor, 2 trailers, 13 trucks, 2 SP vehicles)
Supply Section (3 men, 3 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)

76 mm (mot) Gun Battalion
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Battalion HQ \& Staff (8 officers, 3 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck)
HQ Battery
Reconnaissance Section (8 men, 4 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
Signal Section (8 men, 5 rifles, 3 SMGs, 1 truck, 2 radios)
3 Batteries (15 officers, }168\mathrm{ men, 159 rifles, 18 SMGs, 6 LMGs,
12 76.2mm guns, 6 trailers, 18 trucks, 9 radios)
Ammunition Platoon (1 officer, 16 men, 13 rifles, 4 SMGs, 2 tractors,
4 trailers, 2 trucks)
Supply Section (11 men, 11 rifles, 3 trucks, 3 kitchens)

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\section*{152mm (mot) Howitzer/Gun Battalion}
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Battalion HQ \& Staff (9 officers, 2 men, 11 rifles)
HQ Battery
HQ Section (1 officer, 6 men, 4 4ifles, 3 SMGs, 1 Truck)
Reconnaissance Section (6 men, 3 rifles, 3 SMGs, 1 truck)
Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 18 men, 14 rifles, 5 SMGs,
2 trucks)
Signal Platoon (1 officer, 29 men, 25 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks,
3 radios)
Supply Section(7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
3 Batteries (12 officers, }144\mathrm{ men, 129 rifles, 24 SMGs, 3 LMGs,
6 152mm guns, 10 tractors, 4 trailers, 4 trucks, 6 radios) Ammunition
Platoon (1 officer, 9 men, 10 rifles, 2 tractors,
4 trailers, 2 trucks)
Supply Section (11 men, 11 rifles, 1 trucks, 1 kitchens)

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\section*{Artillery Observation Battalion}

1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
1 (mot) Sound Ranging Battalion (2 companies)
1 (mot) Flash Ranging Platoon
1 (mot) Calibration Company
1 (mot) Photographic Platoon
1 (mot) Administration Platoon

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