

**Detailed Organization, American Field Artillery,
Headquarters & Headquarters Battery
Truck Drawn or Tractor Drawn 105mm Artillery Battalion
27 September 1944
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Battalion Headquarters

- 1 Battalion Commander (Lt Colonel) (1 pistol)
- 1 Executive Officer (Major) (1 pistol)
- 1 Operations & Training, S-3 Officer (Major) (1 pistol)
- 1 Intelligence, S-2 Officer (Captain) (1 pistol)
- 1 Liaison Officer (Captain) (1 pistol)*
- 1 Operations & Training, Asst S-3 Officer (Captain)
(1 pistol)
- 1 Intelligence, Assistant S-2 Officer (1st Lt) (1 pistol)

Headquarters Battery

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- 1 Communication Officer (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 carbine)
- 1 Battery Clerk (Corporal) (1 carbine)
- 7 Privates
 - 2 Orderlies (2 carbines)
 - 5 Basic Privates (5 carbines)

Operations Platoon

Operations & Fire Direction Section

- 2 Liaison Pilots (2 pistols & 2 liaison airplanes)
- 1 Sergeant Major (Master Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Operations Chief (Technical Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Fire Direction Computer Chief (Staff Sergeant)
(1 pistol)
- 1 Agent (Corporal) (1 carbine & 1 ¼-ton truck)*
- 1 Machine Gun Corporal (Corporal) (1 carbine)
- 15 Privates
 - 1 Bugler (1 carbine & drives Bn Co's truck)**
 - 1 Headquarters' Clerk (1 carbine)
 - 2 Fire Direction Computer Operators
(2 carbines)
 - 1 Horizontal Control Operator (1 carbine)
 - 1 Vertical Control Operator (1 carbine)
 - 4 Light Truck Drivers (4 carbines, 2½-ton
cargo truck, 1 1-ton trailer, 3 ¾-ton
weapons carriers & 2 2.36" rocket
launchers)
 - 2 Machine Gunners (2 carbines & 2 .50 cal
HB HMGs)
 - 3 Radio Operators (3 carbines)

Instrument and Survey Section

- 1 Survey & Instrument Chief (Staff Sergeant)
(1 pistol)
- 6 Instrument Men & Surveyors (Private)
(6 carbines, 1 ¼-ton truck & 1 ¾-ton
weapons carrier)

Communication Platoon

Headquarters

- 1 Assistant Communications Officer (2nd Lt)
(1 pistol)
- 1 Communications Chief (Technical Sergeant)
(1 pistol)
- 1 Message Center Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Message Center Corporal (Corporal) (1 carbine)

Wire Section

- 1 Wire Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 4 Wire Corporals (4 carbines)
- 20 Privates
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 carbine & 1 2½-ton truck & 1 2/36" rocket launcher)
 - 3 Light Truck Drivers/Wiremen & Telephone Operators (3 carbines, 3 3/4-ton weapons carriers)
 - 2 Switchboard Operators (2 carbines)
 - 14 Wiremen & Telephone Operators (14 carbines 1 ¼-ton truck)

Radio Section

- 1 Radio Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Machine Gun Corporal (Corporal) (1 carbine)
- 1 Radio Corporal (Corporal) (1 carbine)
- 11 Privates
 - 1 Machine Gunner (1 carbine & 1 .50 cal HMG)
 - 8 Radio Operators (8 carbines, 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier truck & 1 2.36" rocket launcher)
 - 2 Radio Repairmen (2 carbines & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier truck)

Personnel Section

- 1 Personnel Officer (Warrant Officer) (1 pistol)
- 1 Personnel Chief (Technical Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Classification Specialist (Private) (1 carbine)
- 1 Headquarter's Clerk (Private) (1 carbine)
- 1 Clerk Typist (Private) (1 carbine)

Maintenance Section

- 1 Motor Transport Officer (2nd Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Motor Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Mess Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Supply Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 10 Privates
 - 3 Cooks (3 carbines)
 - 1 Cook's Helper (1 carbine)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 carbine, 1 2½-ton cargo truck, & 1 2.36" rocket launcher)
 - 1 Machine Gunner (1 carbine & 1 .50 cal HMG)
 - 2 Airplane & Engine Mechanics (2 carbines, 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier, 1 ¼-ton truck, 1 ¼-ton trailer & 1 .50 cal HB HMG)
 - 2 Automobile Mechanics (2 carbines. 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier & & 1 2.36" rocket launcher)

3 Liaison Sections

- 1 Liaison Officers (Captains) (2 pistols)
- 3 Liaison Sergeants (Sergeants) (3 carbines)
- 3 Liaison Corporals (Corporals) (3 carbines)
- 10 Privates
 - 3 Liaison Soldiers (3 carbines)
 - 3 Radio Operators (3 carbines, 2 ¼-ton trucks & 2 ¼-ton trucks)
 - 1 Basic Private (1 carbine)
 - 3 Wiremen & Telephone Operators (3 carbines & 3 ¼-ton trucks)

* The liaison officer and the agent have a ¼-ton truck, both of which are assigned to the equipment list of the Operations & Fire Control Section.

** The bugler is the Battalion Commanding Officer's driver, but no vehicle is listed in either the Battalion Headquarters or Battery Headquarters. This vehicle is, apparently, assigned to the Operations & Fire Control Section

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