## Detailed Organization, American Field Artillery, Truck Drawn 105mm Howitzer Battery 27 September 1944

## Table of Organization 6-27

Battery Headquarters
1 Battery Commander (Captain) (1 pistol)
1 1st Sergeant (1 pistol & 1 M3 Submachine gun)
1 Battery Clerk (1 carbine)
5 Basic Privates (5 carbines)
Battery Detail
1 Reconnaissance Officer (2nd Lt) (1 pistol)
1 Detail Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
<pre>1 Agent (Corporal)(1 carbine) 1 Instrument Corporal (Corporal)(1 carbine)</pre>
2 Machine Gun Corporals (Corporal) (2 carbines)
1 Wire Corporal (Corporal) (1 carbine)
18 Privates
1 Bugler (1 carbine & 1 ¼-ton truck)
2 Light Truck Drivers (2 carbines, 2 3/4-ton weapons
carriers & 2 2.36" rocket launchers)
2 Machine Gunners (2 carbines & 2 .50 cal HB HMGs)
3 Radio Operators (3 carbines)
1 Switchboard Operator (1 carbine)
1 Radio Repairman/Operator (1 carbine)
<pre>8 Wiremen &amp; Telephone Operators (8 carbines)</pre>
Firing Battery
Headquarters
1 Executive Officer (1st Lt)(1 pistol)
1 Artillery Mechanic (Private) (1 carbine)
1 Instrument Operator (Private)(1 carbine)
4 Howitzer Sections
1 Section Chief (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
3 Section Chiefs (Sergeants) (4 pistols)
4 Gunners (Corporals) (4 carbines & 4 105mm howitzers 32 Privates
28 Cannoneer (28 carbines)
4 Light Truck Drivers (4 carbines, 4 2½-ton
cargo trucks & 1 2.36" rocket launchers)
5th Section
1 Section Chief (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
1 Machine Gun Corporal (Corporal)(1 carbine)
8 Privates
2 Light Truck Drivers (2 carbines, 2 21/2-ton
trucks & 2 M10 ammunition trailers)
2 Machine Gunners (2 carbines & 2 .50 cal HMGs) 4 Ammunition Handlers (4 carbines)
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## Maintenance Section

- 1 Battery Motor Officer (1st Lt) (1 pistol)
- 1 Mess Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Supply Sergeant (Staff Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 1 Motor Sergeant (Sergeant) (1 pistol)
- 5 Privates
  - 2 Cooks (2 carbines)
  - 1 Cook's Helper (1 carbine)
  - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 carbine, 1  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -ton kitchen truck & 1 1-ton trailer)
  - 1 Automotive Mechanic (1 carbine, 1 3/4-ton truck & 1  $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton truck)

## Forward Observation Section

- 1 Forward Observer (1st Lt)(1 pistol)
- 1 Reconnaissance Sergeant (Sergeant) (1 carbine)
- 1 Radio Operator (1 carbine, 1 4-ton truck, & 4-ton trailer)

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