

**Detailed Organization**  
**American Towed Tank Destroyer Battalion**  
**Headquarters & Headquarters Company**  
**TO&E 18-36**  
**1 September 1944**

Battalion Headquarters:

- 1 Lieutenant Colonel (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Major (executive) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Major (S-3) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Captain (S-2) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Captain (S-4) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (S-1/adjutant) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (reconnaissance) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Company Headquarters:

- 1 Captain (co cmdr) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 19 Privates
  - 1 Bugler (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun & 1 ¼-ton truck)
  - 4 Cooks (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
  - 1 Cooks' Helper (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
  - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton weapons truck)
  - 2 Radio Operators (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier)
  - 4 Automobile Mechanics (4 .30 cal M1 carbines or rifles)
  - 1 Orderly (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
  - 7 Basics (7 .30 cal M1 rifles)

Unassigned Equipment

- 10 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

2 Reconnaissance Platoons, each with:

- 1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 2 Sergeants (section leader) (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
- 18 Privates
  - 2 Armored Car Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 2 M8 armored cars with armament)
  - 2 Anti-tank Gunners (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
  - 4 Light Truck Drivers (4 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 4 ¼-ton trucks, each with 1 .30 cal MG)
  - 6 Machine Gunners (6 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
  - 2 Messengers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & ¼-ton trucks)
  - 2 Riflemen (2 .30 cal M1 rifles)

Unassigned Equipment

- 6 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Communication Platoon:

- 1 1st Lieutenant (communication) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (communication chief) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

- 1 Staff Sergeant (radio) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Sergeant (message center chief) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Corporal (panel & code) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 8 Privates
  - 1 General Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
  - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier)
  - 4 Messengers (4 .45 cal M3 submachine gun, 2 1/4-ton trucks, & 1 1/4-ton trailer)
  - 1 Radio Operator (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
  - 2 Radio Repairman (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier)

Staff Platoon:

Administration Section:

- 1 Warrant Officer (general clerical) (1.45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Master Sergeant (sergeant major) (1.45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (personnel) (1.45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Private (classification specialist) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Private (light truck driver) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun, 1 2 1/2-ton administration truck, & 1 1-ton trailer)

Intelligence & Operations Section:

- 2 1st Lieutenants (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (intelligence) (1.45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (operations) (1.45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 16 Privates
  - 1 General Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
  - 4 Armored Car Drivers (4 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 4 M10 light armored cars each with 1 .50 cal HB HMG)
  - 2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 2 3/4-ton command trucks)
  - 2 Machine Gunners (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
  - 6 Radio Operators (6 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
  - 1 Stenographer (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Unassigned Equipment

- 4 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Supply Section

- 1 Technical Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (asst. supply) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Sergeant (ammunition) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 6 Privates
  - 1 Gas & Oil Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
  - 1 Supply Clerk (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun & 1 1/4-ton truck [uncertain who has this truck])
  - 2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns, 1 1 1/2-ton truck & 1 1-ton truck)

2 Radio Operators (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)

Supply Platoon

1 Captain (motor transport) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Warrant (motor transport) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Master Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Technical Sergeant (mechanic chief) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
17 Privates  
1 Armorer (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Automobile Parts Clerk (1 3/4-ton weapons carrier  
& 1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Heavy Truck Driver (2½-ton M1 heavy wrecker truck  
& 1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
4 Automobile Mechanics (4 .45 cal M3 submachine guns  
3 2½-ton maintenance trucks [1 with .50 cal HB  
HMG & 1 with .30 cal LMG], 2 1-ton trailers)  
9 Tank Mechanics (9 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)  
1 Welder (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)

Transportation Platoon

1 2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Sergeant (truckmaster) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
1 Corporal (dispatcher) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)  
18 Privates  
12 Light Truck Drivers (12 .45 cal M3 submachine guns,  
6 ammunition trailers, 4 1-ton trailers, 2 ¼-ton  
trucks, 6 2½-ton ammunition trucks, 4 2½-ton  
kitchen trucks [2 mounting .30 cal LMGs & 3  
mounting .50 cal HB HMGs])  
6 Ammunition Handlers (6 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)

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