

**AN INDEPENDENT MACHINE GUN COMPANY**

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) PERSONNEL

Detail	Headquarters	Headquarters platoon	Heavy mortar platoon	Three M.M.G. platoons (each)	Total independent machine gun company
Major	1				1
Captains	1	1			2
Subalterns	1		2	1	6
Total officers	3	1	2	1	9
Company sergeant major	1				1
Company quartermaster sergeant		1			1
Transport sergeant		1			1
Sergeants (includes 1 for technical stores in headquarter platoon)	1	2	3	3	15
Total warrant officers, staff sergeants and sergeants	2	4	3	3	18
Corporals (includes 4 lance sergeants)	3	3	7	4	25
Privates (includes 11 lance corporals)	10	35	26	26	149
Total rank and file	13	38	33	30	174
Total other ranks	15	42	36	33	192
Total all ranks	18	43	38	34	201
Attached					
R.A.M.C.—Nursing orderly (corporal)	1				1
R.E.M.E.—					
Armourer (sergeant)		1			1
Vehicle mechanics (includes 1 sergeant)		3			3
A.C.C.—Cooks (includes 1 for officers mess and 1 corporal)		6			6
Total attached	1	10			11
Total independent machine gun company	19	53	38	34	212
(ii) DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES AND DUTIES					
Tradesmen					
Carpenter and joiner		1			1
Clerks (corporal in headquarters)	1	2			3
Driver mechanics		1	5	7	27
Driver operators	2	4	6	2	18
Equipment repairers		1			1
Storemen technical		1			1
Vehicle mechanics		2			2
Total tradesmen	3	12	11	9	53
Non tradesmen					
Administrative corporal		1			1
Ammunition numbers		3			3
Batmen			2	1	5
Drivers I.C.	1	9		1	13

Detail	Headquarters	Headquarters platoon	Heavy mortar platoon	Three M.M.G. platoons (each)	Total independent machine gun company
Intelligence dutymen	1				1
M.M.G. numbers (includes 12 corporals)				16	48
Mortarmen (includes 4 corporals)			10		10
Mortar position officers assistant (corporal)			1		1
Motor cycle orderlies		6	2	1	11
Observation post assistant (corporal)			1		1
Orderly		1			1
Provost corporal	1				1
Rangetakers				2	6
Sanitary dutymen		1			1
Signallers		3			3
Storemen		1			1
Stretcher bearers	4				4
Total non tradesmen	10	26	22	21	121
Total rank and file	13	38	33	39	174
(iii) TRANSPORT					
Motor cycle solo	2	8	3	1	16
Cars 5cwt 4 x 4	1	1			2
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2—					
G.S.	3	3		1	9
Office	1				1
Water		1			1
Fitted for wireless		2			2
Lorries 3ton 4 x 4 G.S.		6			6
Carriers—					
Universal			2	8	26
Lloyd			6		6
Trailers mortar			6		6
(iv) WEAPONS					
M.M.Gs. .303-inch				4	12
L.M.Gs. .303-inch	1	2	2	1	8
P.I.A.T.		2	1	1	6
Mortar 4·2 inch			4		4

(v) ORGANIZATION

Motor cycle 1	Intelligence sergeant	15-cwt., truck, 4x2, G.S. 2	Captain
Motor cycle 2	Provost corporal	300 wat charging set	Company sergeant major
5-cwt., car 4 x 4	Seat for commanding officer	L.M.G.	Intelligence dutyman
No. 19 set	2 driver operators		Batman driver
15-cwt., truck, 4x2, G.S. 1	Corporal nursing orderly	15-cwt., truck, 4x2, G.S. 3	Major
	4 stretcher bearers	15-cwt., truck 4x2, office	Batman driver
	Driver I.C.		Subaltern
			Corporal clerk
			Batman driver

HEADQUARTERS PLATOON

	Headquarters	Carrier universal 1	Subaltern
5-cwt., car 4 x 4	Captain	No. 18 set	Corporal observation post assistant
	Batman driver	No. 19 set	2 driver operators
	Signal section	Carrier universal 2	Subaltern
Motor cycle 1	Signal sergeant	No. 19 set	Corporal mortar position officers assistant
Motor cycle 2-7	Orderly	P.I.A.T.	2 driver operators
15-cwt., truck 4x2 G.S.	3 signallers		
Signal stores	Driver I.C.		
15-cwt., truck 4x2 1 fitted for wireless	Corporal driver operator		No 1 section
	Driver operator	Carrier Lloyd 1	Sergeant
15-cwt., truck 4x2 2 fitted for wireless	2 driver operators	No. 19 set	Batman
		Tele-loud-speaker No. 2	Corporal driver operator
		20 bombs	Driver operator
	Transport section	L.M.G.	
Motor cycle	Transport sergeant	(draws trailer, mortar containing 44 bombs)	
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4 G.S. 1	Sergeant vehicle mechanic	Carriers Lloyd 2-3	Corporal mortarman
M.T. stores	2 vehicle mechanics	22 bombs	2 mortar-men
L.M.G.	Corporal vehicle mechanic	(draws trailer, mortar containing 4.2-inch mortar and 24 bombs)	Driver mechanic
P.I.A.T.	Sergeant (technical stores)		
	Storeman (technical)		No 2 section
	Driver mechanic	Carrier Lloyd 1	Sergeant
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4 G.S. 2	Clerk	48 bombs	Batman
Petrol	Driver I.C.	L.M.G.	Driver mechanic
	Supply section	(draws trailer, mortar containing 44 bombs)	
15-cwt., truck 4x2,G.S.	Clerk	Carrier Lloyd 2-3	Corporal mortarman
	Driver I.C.	22 bombs	3 mortar-men
15-cwt., truck 4x2, water	Sanitary dutyman	(draws trailer, mortar, containing a 4.2-inch mortar and 24 bombs)	Driver mechanic
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 1	Company quartermaster sergeant		
Officers mess sets and rations	3 cooks		
Water tins	Driver I.C.		
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 2	Corporal cook		
Cooking sets and rations	2 cooks		
Water tins	Driver I.C.		
	Administrative section		
15-cwt., truck, 4x2 G.S.	Administrative corporal		
Reserve ammunition	Ammunition number		
	Driver I.C.		
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 1	Sergeant armourer		
"Q" stores	Equipment repairer		
Anti-gas stores	Carpenter and joiner		
L.M.G.	Storeman		
P.I.A.T.	Driver I.C.		
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 2	2 ammunition number		
Mortar bombs	Orderly		
	Driver I.C.		
	HEAVY MORTAR PLATOON		
Motor cycle 1	Sergeant		
Motor cycles 2-3	Orderly		

(a) To be fitted for carrying M.M.Gs.

#### NOTES

1. The drivers of the truck, 15-cwt., 4x2, water and lorries 3-ton 4x4, G.S. in the supply section of headquarters platoon will be trained in water duties.

2. The driver of the lorry, 3-ton, 4x4, G.S., carrying petrol in the transport section of headquarters platoon will be trained in petrol duties.
3. One man will be trained up to the standard of a shoemaker, group "C" class III, and will be eligible to draw the rates of pay of a tradesman. group "C", class III, only on those days on which he is actually employed at that trade.
4. At least one N.C.O. and four men will be trained in decontamination work

#### NOTES ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS

First reinforcements—	
Subalterns	2
Corporals	1
Lance-corporals	2
Privates	16
(The total rank and file will include the following—	
Tradesmen—	
Driver-operators	3
Driver-mechanics	3
Non-tradesmen	
Driver, I.C.	1
Machine gun numbers	8
Mortarmen	3
Rangetaker	1)