

**ARMoured RECONNAISSANCE REGIMENT, TYPE "B"**

Consisting of :—

Regimental headquarters (4 cruiser tanks)

Headquarters squadron of :—

Squadron headquarters

A.A. troop (5 A.A. tanks)

Reconnaissance troop (12 scout cars)

Intercommunication troop (7 scout cars)

Administrative troop

Three squadrons (each) of :—

Squadron headquarters of :—

Fighting portion (2 cruiser tanks, 2 close support tanks, 1 scout car)

Administrative portion

Five tank troops (each) (2 cruiser tanks and 2 light tanks)

**WAR ESTABLISHMENT****(i) PERSONNEL**

Detail	Regimental headquarters	Headquarters squadron					Three squadrons (each)			Total, armoured reconnaissance regiment type "B"	
		Squadron headquarters	A.A. troop	Reconnaissance troop	Intercommunication troop	Administrative troop	Total, headquarters squadron	Squadron headquarters	Five tank troops (each)		Total, each squadron
Lieutenant colonel	1									1	
Majors (including second in command)	1	1				1	1	1	1	5	
Adjutant captain	1									1	
Technical officer captain		1				1				1	
Captains		1				1	2	2	2	7	
Intelligence officer	1									1	
Signal officer					1	1				1	
Subalterns	1	1	2	1		4	1	1	6	23	
Quartermaster					1	1				1	
Total officers	5	3	1	2	1	2	9	4	1	9	41
Regimental sergeant major	1									1	
Regimental quartermaster sergeant					1	1				1	
Quartermaster sergeant (technical)					1	1				1	
Mechanist quartermaster sergeant					1	1				1	
Squadron sergeant major		1				1	1		1	4	
Total warrant officers	1	1				3	4	1	1	8	
Squadron sergeant major					1	1	1		1	4	
Mechanist sergeant							1		1	3	
Provost sergeant					1	1				1	
Signal sergeant					1	1				1	
Transport sergeant					1	1				1	
Clerk					1	1				1	
Storeman technical					1	1				1	
Sergeants	2	1	1	1		3	3	1	8	29	

Detail	Headquarters squadron						Three squadrons (each)			Total, armoured reconnaissance regiment type "B"	
	Regimental headquarters	Squadron headquarters	A.A. troop	Reconnaissance troop	Intercommunication troop	Administrative troop	Total, headquarters squadron	Squadron headquarters	Five tank troops (each)		Total, each squadron
Total staff sergeants and sergeants	2		1	1	1	6	9	5	1	10	41
Corporals (includes 14 lance sergeants)	2	1	3	2	3	4	13	5	3	20	75
Privates (includes 45 lance corporals)	9	4	15	19	9	75	125	61	13	126	512
Total rank and file	11	5	18	21	12	82	138	66	10	146	587
Total other ranks	14	6	19	22	13	91	151	72	17	157	636
Total all ranks	19	9	20	24	14	93	160	76	13	166	677
Attached											
R.A.M.C.—Medical officer						1	1				1
R.E.M.E.—Armourers (includes 1 sergeant and 1 lance corporal)						3	3				3
Vehicle mechanics A.F.V. (includes one sergeant in each squadron)								2		2	6
A.C.C.—Cooks for—											
Officers mess						1	1	1		1	4
Other ranks mess (includes 4 corporals)						4	4	4		4	16
Total attached						9	9	7		7	30
Total armoured reconnaissance regiment	19	9	20	24	14	102	169	83	18	173	707
(ii) DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES AND DUTIES											
Tradesmen											
Carpenter and joiner						1	1				1
Clerks						(a)7	7	2		2	13
Driver mechanics						1	1	1		1	4
Driver mechanics A.F.V.	4		5			3	8	8	4	28	96
Driver operators	4	1	5	12	7	6	31	9	4	29	122
Electricians						2	2	1		1	5
Equipment repairer						1	1				1
Gunner mechanics			3			3	6	6	4	26	84
Gunner operators	2		5			3	8	7	4	27	91
Storemen (technical)						(b)3	3	1		1	6
Vehicle mechanic (c)						7	7	8		8	31
Total tradesmen	10	1	18	12	7	37	75	43	16	123	454
Non tradesmen											
Batmen		2				7	9	5		5	24
Butchery dutyman						1	1				1
Driver I.C. (1 for intelligence duties in regimental headquarters)	1	2		9	3	25	41	15		15	87
Medical officers orderly (lance corporal)						1	1				1
Motor cyclists						4	4				4
Postman (lance corporal)						1	1				1
Sanitary dutyman						2	2	1		1	5
Storemen						2	2	1		1	5

Detail	Headquarters squadron							Three squadrons (each)			Total, armoured reconnaissance regiment type "B"
	Regimental headquarters	Squadron headquarters	A.A. troop	Reconnaissance troop	Intercommunication troop	Administrative troop	Total, headquarters squadron	Squadron headquarters	Five tank troops (each)	Total, each squadron	
Water dutymen						2	2	1		1	5
Total non tradesmen	1	4		9	5	45	63	23		23	133
Total rank and file	11	5	18	21	12	82	138	66	16	146	587
(iii) TRANSPORT											
Motor cycles						6	6				6
Cars —4-seater 4 x 4		2					2	1		1	5
5cwt 4 x 4						7	7				7
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2—											
G.S.						4	4				4
Office						1	1				1
Personnel								1		1	3
Water						2	2				2
Wireless		1					1				1
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 4—											
Personnel						1	1				1
Trucks 15cwt personnel half tracked						2	2	2		2	8
Lorries 3ton—											
4 x 4 G.S.						9	9	11		11	42
6 x 4 store						2	2	1		1	5
Scout cars				12	7		19	1		1	22
Tanks—											
Cruiser	4							2	2	12	40
Close support								2		2	6
Light									2	10	30
A.A.			5				5				5
Carriers TCP slave battery						1	1	1		1	4
Armoured recovery vehicles								1		1	3
Trailers 15cwt water								1		1	3
(iv) WEAPONS											
L.M.Gs. .303-inch (for scout cars)				12	7		19	1		1	22

(v) ORGANIZATION

REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS			
Tank cruiser	1	Lieutenant colonel	Tank cruiser
2 No. 19 sets (control)		Adjutant	No. 19 set (HP)
		Sergeant	2
		Driver mechanic A.F.V.	Major (second in command)
		Driver operator	Regimental sergeant major
			Corporal driver mechanic
			Driver operator
			Operator R. Signals

Tank cruiser 2 No. 19 sets (spare control)	3	Subaltern Sergeant Gunner operator Driver mechanic A.F.V. Driver operator	Scout cars (each) L.M.G. No. 19 set	2,3 and 6	Driver operator Corporal driver I.C.
Tank cruiser	4	Intelligence officer Corporal driver I.C. (intelligence duties) Driver mechanic Gunner operator Driver operator	Scout cars L.M.G. No. 19 set	4-5 (each)	Driver operators Driver I.C.
			Scout car L.M.G. No. 19 set	7	Subaltern Driver operator
HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON					
Squadron headquarters					
Car 4-seater 4 x 4	1	<i>Seat for commanding officer</i> Technical officer Corporal driver I.C.	Motor cycle	1	Provost sergeant
Car 4-seater 4 x 4	2	Major Batman Driver I.C.	Motor cycle	2	Corporal motor cyclist
Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 wireless No. 19 set ("A" echelon set)		Captain Squadron sergeant major Batman Driver operator	Motor cycles	3-5 (each)	Motor cyclists
			Motor cycle	6	Batman (for medical officer)
			Cars 5cwt 4 x 4 (each)	1-7	Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1	Quartermaster Batman Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	2	Sanitary dutyman Medical officers orderly Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	3	Quartermaster sergeant (technical) Sergeant technical storeman Corporal clerk Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	4	Equipment repairer Sergeant armourer R.E.M.E. 2 armourers R.E.M.E. Technical storeman Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 office Office equipment		Signal officer Signal sergeant Sergeant clerk Corporal clerk Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 2 water (each)		Water dutyman Driver I.C.
			Truck 15cwt 4 x 4 personnel No. 19 set		Driver operator
			Truck 15cwt half tracked No. 19 set		Medical officer Driver operator
			Vehicle mechanics tools		
			Truck 15cwt half tracked		Mechanist quartermaster sergeant 2 vehicle mechanics Driver operator
			Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S.	1	Regimental quartermaster sergeant Corporal clerk 3 clerks Driver I.C.
			Quartermasters stores		
A.A. Troop					
Tank A.A.	1	Subaltern Driver mechanic (A.F.V.) Gunner operator Driver operator			
Tank A.A.	2	Sergeant Driver mechanic A.F.V. Gunner operator Driver operator			
Tanks A.A.	3-5 (each)	Driver mechanic A.F.V. Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Corporal driver operator			
Reconnaissance troop					
Scout cars L.M.G. No. 19 set	1-2 (each)	Subaltern Driver operator			
Scout cars L.M.G. No. 19 set	3	Sergeant Driver operator			
Scout cars L.M.G. No. 19 set	4-5 (each)	Driver operator Corporal driver I.C.			
Scout car L.M.G. No. 19 set	6-12 (each)	Driver operator Driver I.C.			
Intercommunication troop					
Scout car L.M.G. No. 19 set	1	Sergeant Driver operator			

Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 2 Petrol	Sanitary dutyman Electrician Driver I.C.	Lorries 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 2-3 (each) Ammunition	Vehicle mechanics Driver I.C.
Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 3 Petrol	2 batmen Clerk Driver I.C.	Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 4 Petrol	Driver I.C.
Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 4 Petrol	Storeman 2 vehicle mechanics Driver I.C.	Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 5 Ammunition	Corporal driver I.C.
Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 5 Ammunition	Storeman Vehicle mechanic Driver I.C.	Lorry 3-ton, 6x4 store M.T. stores and vehicle mechanics tools	Corporal technical storeman Vehicle mechanic Driver I.C.
Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 6 Mobile kitchen (mens mess)	4 cooks A.C.C. Butchery dutyman Driver I.C.	Scout car L.M.G No. 19 set	Subaltern Driver operator
Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 7 Officers' mess equipment and baggage	Transport sergeant Cook A.C.C. 3 batmen Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser 1	Squadron sergeant major Corporal driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver operator
Lorry 3-ton 4x4 G.S. 8 Carpenters tools Men's kit and baggage	Carpenter and joiner 3 driver mechanics(g) 3 driver operators (g) 3 gunner operators (g) 3 gunner mechanics (g) Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser 2	Captain Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Corporal driver operator
Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 9 Ammunition	Postman Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser 1 close support	Major Sergeant Driver mechanic Gunner operator Driver operator
Lorry 3-ton, 6x4 store 1 Reserve M.T. stores Vehicle mechanics tools	2 vehicle mechanics Technical storeman Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser 2 close support	Captain (second in command) Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Corporal driver operator
Lorry 3-ton, 6x4 store 2 Stores	Squadron quartermaster sergeant Technical storeman Driver I.C.		
Carrier TCP slave battery	Electrician Driver mechanic		
THREE SQUADRONS (EACH)			
Squadron headquarters			
"A" fighting portion		"B" administrative portion	
Car 4-serater	<i>Seat for squadron commander</i> Squadron quartermaster sergeant Batman Driver I.C.	Lorry 3-ton 4x4 G.S. 6 Petrol	4 cooks A.C.C. Driver I.C.
Truck 15cwt 4 x 2, personnel Officers' mess equipment	Cook A.C.C. 2 batmen Driver I.C.	Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 7 and 8 (each) Petrol	Batman Driver, I.C.
Truck 15cwt half tracked 1 Vehicle mechanics tools No. 19 set	Mechanist sergeant 4 vehicle mechanics Driver operator	Lorry 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 9 "Q" stores Mens kit	Sergeant 3 driver-mechanics (g) 3 driver-operators (g) 3 gunner-operators (g) 3 gunner-mechanics (g) Driver, I.C.
Truck 15cwt half tracked 2 (for collection of casualties)	Driver I.C.	Lorry, 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 10 Baggage and squadron office	2 clerks Storeman Water dutyman Driver, I.C.
Lorry 3-ton 4x4 G.S. 1 Ammunition	Sanitary dutyman Driver I.C.	Lorry, 3-ton, 4x4 G.S. 11 Mobile kitchen (mens mess) (draws water trailer)	4 cooks A.C.C. Driver, I.C.

Carrier T.C.P. slave battery		Electrician Driver mechanic	Tank cruiser	2	Sergeant Driver mechanic
Armoured recovery vehicle		Driver mechanic Vehicle mechanic Sergeant vehicle mechanic R.E.M.E. Vehicle mechanic R.E.M.E.	Tanks light	1-2	Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver operator Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Corporal driver operator
Tank cruiser	1	Subaltern Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Corporal driver operator			

- (a) 2 for technical office; 2 for headquarters squadron; 2 for regimental headquarters and 1 for quartermaster's office.
- (b) 2 for quartermaster's office; 1 for headquarter squadron.
- (c) Includes who have qualified on a course of gun fitting at the armoured fighting vehicle school.
- (d) The following ranks and appointments, additional to those shown in "(i) Personnel", will be allotted to the tradesmen below:—

	Lance-Sergeants	Corporals	Lance-corporals
Carpenter and joiner			
Electrician	2	6	9
Equipment repairer			
Vehicle mechanics			
Storeman, technical		4	

(e) If not available, motor-cycles, solo will be held in lieu.

(f) In a unit equipped with American tanks, these will be replaced by trucks, 15-cwt., 4x2, G.S. equipped with chore horses and 1 trailer, 1-ton will be added.

(g) Relief personnel.

#### NOTES

- The armoured fighting vehicles with which regiments on this establishment are equipped, will vary and may consist of a combination of the various marks of tanks in service at any given time'  
Tank armament and equipment will be issued in conformity with the scales applying to the actual fighting vehicles by marks, which the unit holds on charge, within the numbers authorised by this establishment.  
These scales, including those for weapons, will be given in A.F.G, 1098.
- At least on officer and 12 men will be trained in anti-gas duties and decontamination work.

#### NOTE ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS AND ATTACHED

*Details left at base—*

<i>Orderly room sergeant</i>	1
First reinforcements	
Captain	1
Subalterns	5
Colour sergeant	1
Corporals	5
Lance-corporals	9
Troopers	75
(The following tradesmen are included in the above:—	
Clerks	2
Driver-mechanics (A.F.V.)	13
Driver-operators	17
Electrician	1

Gunner-mechanics	14
Gunner-operators	14
Storeman, technical	1
Vehicle mechanics	3)
Attached—	
Signal section—see W.E. of an Armoured Divisional Signals in Volume II	
Light Aid Detachment, Type “C” R.E.M.E—see W.E. in Volume II	