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A RECONNAISSANCE REGIMENT

WAR ESTABLISHMENT
(As agreed by Standardization Conference (1943))

(i) PERSONNEL

Detail	Regimental headquarters	Headquarter squadron								Three reconnaissanc squadrons (each)								Total, reconnaissanc regiment		
		Headquarters	Signal troop	Mortar troop	Anti-tank battery			Administrative troop	Total, headquarter squadron	Headquarters	Three scout troops (each)				Assault troop				Total, reconnaissanc squadron	
					Battery headquarters	2 anti-tank troops (each)	Total, anti-tank battery				Troop headquarters	Reconnaissance section	Two carrier sections (each)	Total, scout troop	Troop headquarters	Four sections (each)	Total, assault troop			
Officer commanding (lieutenant-colonel)	1																			1
Second-in-command (major)	1																			1
Majors		1							1	1									1	4
Adjutant (captain)	1																			1
Technical officer (captain)	1																			1
Captains		1	1		1		1		3	1									1	6
Subalterns	1			1		1	2	1	4		2			2	1		1		7	26
Quarter-master								1	1											
Total, officers	5	2	1	1	1	1	3	2	9	2	2			2	1		1		9	41
Regimental serjeant-major	1																			1
Regimental quarter-master-serjeant								1	1											1
Mechanist quarter-master-serjeant								1	1											1
Squadron serjeant-majors		1							1	1										1
Total, warrant officers	1	1						2	3	1									1	7
Squadron quarter-master-serjeants								1	1	1									1	4
Signal serjeant		1							1											1
Intelligence serjeant	1											1								1
Mechanist serjeant																		1		3
Provost serjeant	1																			1
Transport serjeant								1	1											1
Orderly room clerk	1																			1
Storeman (technical)								1	1											1
Serjeants			1	6		3	6		12		1	2	1	5	1		1		16	61
Total, staff-serjeants and serjeants	3		2	6		3	6	3	17	2	1	2	1	5	1		1		18	74
Corporals (includes 19 lance-serjeants)	3	1	1	3		3	6	3	14	2		2	3	8			1	4	30	107
Troopers (includes 52 lance-corporals)	20	6	20	31	4	24	52	30	139	31	6	8	5	24	5	7	33	136	567	

Detail	Regimental headquarters	Headquarter squadron								Three reconnaissanc squadrons (each)								Total, reconnaissance regiment	
		Headquarters	Signal troop	Mortar troop	Anti-tank battery			Administrative troop	Total, headquarter squadron	Headquarters	Three scout troops (each)				Assault troop				Total, reconnaissance squadron
					Battery headquarters	2 anti-tank troops (each)	Total, anti-tank battery				Troop headquarters	Reconnaissance section	Two carrier sections (each)	Total, scout troop	Troop headquarters	Four sections (each)	Total, assault troop		
Total, rank and file	23	7	21	34	4	27	58	33	153	33	6	10	8	32	5	8	37	166	674
Total, other ranks	27	8	23	40	4	30	64	38	173	36	7	12	9	37	6	8	38	185	755
Total, all ranks	32	10	24	41	5	31	67	40	182	38	9	12	9	39	7	8	39	194	796
Attached—																			
R.A.M.C.—Medical officer	1																		1
R.A.O.C.—Shoemaker (corporal)								1	1										1
R.E.M.E.—Armourers (includes 1 serjeant and 1 lance-corporal)								4	4										4
A.C.C.—Cooks (includes 1 serjeant in regimental headquarters and 1 corporal in administrative troop)	3							6	6	2								2	15
Total, attached	4							11	11	2								2	21
Total, a reconnaissanc regiment	36	10	24	41	5	31	67	51	193	40	9	12	9	39	7	8	39	196	817
(ii) DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES AND DUTIES																			
Tradesmen—																			
Carpenters and joiners								1	1	1								1	4
Clerks	2	1						2	3	1								1	8
Driver-mechanics	2			6		6	12		18	1	2	4	3	12				37	131
Driver-operators	5	2	7						9	8	3	3		6	1		1	27	95
Electricians								2	2										2
Equipment repairers								2	2										2
Fitters, gun								1	1	1								1	4
Storemen (technical)								2	2	1								1	5
Vehicle mechanics (includes 2 corporals and 3 lance-corporals)								6	6	2								2	12
Total, tradesmen	9	3	7	6		6	12	16	44	15	5	7	3	18	1		1	70	263
Non-tradesmen—																			
Batmen	1				1		1		1	1		1		1				4	14

3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 1 M.T. stores P.I.A.T.	2 vehicle mechanics Storeman (technical) 2 electricians Equipment repairer Driver, I.C.	3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 1 Ammunition	Sanitary dutyman Driver, I.C.
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 2 Medical stores Anti-gas stores P.I.A.T. L.M.G.	Storeman, technical Fitter, gun 3 vehicle mechanics Driver, I.C.	3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 2 Petrol	Transport corporal Driver, I.C.
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 3 Ammunition	Serjeant armourer R.E.M.E. Armourer R.E.M.E. Sanitary dutyman Driver, I.C.	3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 3 M.T. stores Ammunition	Storeman, technical Storeman Fitter, gun Driver, I.C.
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 4 Q.M. stores P.I.A.T. L.M.G.	Carpenter and joiner Equipment repairer Corporal shoemaker R.A.O.C. Clerk Storeman (for Q.M. stores) Driver, I.C.	3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 4 Spare No. 18 set Baggage P.I.A.T.	4 driver-operators Driver, I.C.
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 5 Rations	Regimental quarter-master-serjeant Driver, I.C.	3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 5 Cooking set and rations Water tins	Squadron quarter-master-serjeant 2 cooks A.C.C. Driver, I.C.
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 6 Petrol	Storeman (for petrol) Driver, I.C.	Three scout troops (each)	
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.s. 7 Cooking sets and rations Water tins	Squadron quarter-master-serjeant Serjeant cook A.C.C. Corporal cook A.C.C. 4 cooks A.C.C. Butchery dutyman Driver, I.C.	Motor-cycle, solo 1	Orderly
THREE RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRONS (EACH)		Motor-cycle, solo 2	Serjeant
Squadron headquarters (fighting)		Armoured car No. 19 set L.M.G. A.A. L.M.G.	Subaltern Driver-operator Driver-mechanic
Motor-cycle, solo	Orderly	Carrier, universal No. 19 set No. 18 set L.M.G.	Subaltern 2 driver-operators Driver-mechanic
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4	Squadron serjeant-major Driver, I.C.	Reconnaissance section—	
Light reconnaissance car No. 19 set L.M.G.	Major Driver-operator Driver-mechanic	Light reconnaissance car L.M.G.	Corporal Batman Driver-mechanic
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, 1 personnel No. 19 set	Captain Driver-operator Driver, I.C.	Light reconnaissance car L.M.G.	Corporal Driver-operator Driver-mechanic
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, 2 personnel No. 19 set Spare No. 19 set P.I.A.T. L.M.G.	Clerk 2 driver-operators Driver, I.C.	Armoured cars, 1-2 (each) No. 19 set A.A.L.M.G.	Serjeant Driver-operator Driver-mechanic
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, 3 personnel	Medical officer's orderly Batman-driver	2 carrier sections (each)	
Squadron headquarters (administrative)		Carrier, universal 1 No. 18 set L.M.G.	Serjeant Corporal Driver-mechanic
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. Ammunition	Carpenter and joiner Driver, I.C.	Carrier, universal 2 L.M.G.	Corporal Trooper
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, water	Batman Driver, I.C.	2-inch mortar	Driver-mechanic
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, personnel Vehicle mechanics tools	Mechanist serjeant 2 vehicle mechanics Driver, I.C.	Carrier, universal 3 P.I.A.T. L.M.G.	Corporal Trooper Driver-mechanic
		Assault troop	
		Troop headquarters—	
		Motor-cycle, solo	Orderly
		15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, personnel No. 19 set P.I.A.T.	Subaltern Serjeant 2 mortarmen
		2-inch mortar	Batman-driver
		Four sections (each)—	
		15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, personnel L.M.G.	Corporal Lance-corporal 5 troopers Driver, I.C.

NOTES

1. Driver of water trucks will be trained in water duties
2. One officer and 12 men will be trained in anti-gas duties and decontamination work.
3. One man in each squadron will be trained up to the standard of 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 employed at that trade.
4. One driver, I.C., in each reconnaissance squadron will be trained up to the standard of equipment repairer 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 employed at that trade.

NOTE ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS AND ATTACHED

Details left at base—

Orderly room serjeant 1

First reinforcements—

Captains 2

Subalterns 6

Colour-serjeant 1

Serjeants 3

Corporals 3

Lance-corporals 7

Troopers 60

Cook, A.C.C. 1

Rank and file includes the following tradesmen:—

Clerk 1

Driver-mechanics 11

Driver-operators 4

Attached—

Signal section, R. Signals—*see* W.Es. for Divisional Signals in Vol. II

Light Aid Detachment, R.E.M.E.—*see* W.E. of al Light Aid Detachment,

Type "A" (Armoured) R.E.M.E. in Vol. II