

A HEAVY MORTAR COMPANY

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) Summary of ranks

Detail	Company headquarters	Three platoons (each)			Total, heavy mortar company
		Platoon headquarters	Two sections (each)	Total, platoon	
Major	1				1
Captain	1				1
Lieutenants		2		2	6
Total, officers	2	2		2	8
Company sergeant-major	1				1
Total, warrant officers	1				1
Company quartermaster-sergeant	1				1
Sergeants					
Clerk	1				1
Intelligence	1				1
Transport	1				1
Sergeants		1	1	3	9
Total, staff-sergeants and sergeants	4	1	1	3	13
Corporals	1	2	2	6	19
Privates (includes 14 lance-corporals)	7	10	14	38	121
Total, rank and file	8	12	16	44	140
Total, other ranks	13	13	17	47	154
Total, all ranks	15	15	17	49	162
Attached					
A.A.M.C. –					
Corporal	1				1
A.E.M.E. –					
Corporals –					
Armourer	1				1
Mechanic, M.V.	1				1
Craftsman (mechanic, M.V. – trade group 2)	1				1
A.A.C.C. –					
Sergeant	1				1
Corporal	1				1
Privates (trade group 2)	5				5
Total, all ranks including attached	26	15	17	49	173
(11) Distribution of rank and file by trades and duties					
Trade group 1					
Surveyors		(a)2		2	6
Trade group 2					
Driver-operators		1		1	1
Signallers		(b)2	2	6	22

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Trade group 3					
Driver-mechanics	1	1		1	4
Rangetakers			2	4	12
Storemen, technical		1		1	3
Non-specialists					
Batmen-drivers	2	2		2	8
Drivers, M.T.		3		3	9
Hygiene dutyman	(a)1				1
Mortar numbers			(b)12	24	72
Total, rank and file	8	12	16	44	140
(iii) Transport					
Trucks, ¼-ton	3	7		7	24
Trailors, 8-cwt.	3	7		7	24

(iv) Table of weapons and ammunition

Detail	Number	Ammunition – rounds		
		On man or with gun	Reserve	Total
Pistols, .38-inch	8	12	48	144
Rifles, .303-inch	112	50	6,000	11,600
Rifles, .303-inch for attache personnel	10	25		250
Sub machine guns	(c)48	200	9,600	19,200
L.M.Gs., .303-inch	7	200	3,500	4,900
Mortars, 4.2-inch	12	35	840	1,260
Pistols, signal	14	10	70	210
Grenades, No. 36M, hand		168	120	288

(a) Includes or is a corporal.

(b) Includes 2 corporals.

(c) Platoon officers are armed with sub machine guns in addition to pistols. Section sergeants and section corporals are armed with sub machine guns.

NOTE

1. Rangetakers and drivers, M.T. will be trained as mortar numbers.

NOTE ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS

Details left at base –

 First reinforcements –

Lieutenants	1
Sergeants	2
Rank and file (includes 2 corporals)	28
(Including	
Surveyor (trade group 1)	1
Signallers (trade group 2)	4
Driver-mechanics (trade group 3)	1
Rangetakers (trade group 3)	2
Drivers, M.T.	2
Mortar numbers	14)