

A DIVISIONAL CAVALRY REGIMENT A.I.F.

Consisting of —
 Regimental headquarters 4 light tanks, 2 armoured scout carriers
 Headquarters squadron
 Squadron headquarters
 Motor cycle troop pool of motor cyclists for use as required or for allotment to squadrons
 Administrative troop
 3 Squadrons (each)
 Squadron headquarters 2 light tanks, 2 armoured scout carriers
 2 light tank troops each 3 light tanks
 4 carrier troops each 3 armoured scout carriers

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) Summary of ranks

Detail	Regimental H.Q.	H.Q. squadron				3 squadrons							Total 3 squadrons	Total regiment		
		Squadron H.Q.	Motor cycle troop	Administrative troop	Total	Squadron H.Q. (fighting)	Squadron H.Q. (administrative)	Troop 1 (light tank)	Troop 2 (light tank)	Troop 3 (carrier)	Troop 5 (carrier)	Troops 4 and 6 (carrier)			Total squadron	
Lieutenant colonel	1															1
Majors	1					1							1	3		4
Captains		1			1	1							1	3		4
Adjutant (captain)	1															1
Quartermaster (captain)				1	1											1
Lieutenants	2		1	1	2			1	1	1	1	1	6	18		22
Total officers	5	1	1	2	4	2		1	1	1	1	1	8	24		33
Regimental sergeant-major	1															1
Regimental quartermaster-sergeant				1	1											1
Quartermaster-sergeant (technical)				1	1											1
Squadron sergeant majors		1			1	1							1	3		4
Total warrant officers	1	1		2	3	1							1	3		7

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Driver M.T.	2					2		2	2	1	1	2	12	36	38
Driver operators	5			1	1	5		5	4	1	1	2	20	60	66
Mechanics M.T.				1	1		2						2	6	7
Equipment repairer				1	1										1
Storemen				2	2		1						1	5	5
Total, tradesmen	7	1		6	7	7	3	7	6	2	2	4	35	105	119
Non tradesmen															
Batmen				11	11		8						8	24	35
Butcher				1	1										1
Clerks				2	2	1							1	3	5
Cooks				2	2		2						2	6	8
Drivers M.T.	9	1		17	18	3	6	4	5	4	4	3	32	96	123
Intelligence duties	1					1							1	3	4
Medical officers orderly (c)				1	1										1
Regimental police			2		2										2
Motor cyclists			36		36										36
L.M.G. or A.T. rifle det	1						1			3	3	3	13	39	40
Officers mess cook				1	1										1
Officers mess orderly				1	1										1
Postman (c)				1	1										1
Sanitary duties				3	3										3
Water duties				2	2										2
Storeman (non technical)				1	1		1						1	3	4
Total non tradesmen	11	1	38	43	82	5	18	4	5	7	7	6	58	174	267
Total rank and file	18	2	38	49	89	12	21	11	11	9	9	10	93	279	386

Detail	H.Q. squadron				3 squadrons							Total 3 squadrons	Total regiment		
	Regimental H.Q.	Squadron H.Q.	Motor cycle troop	Administrative troop	Total	Squadron H.Q. (fighting)	Squadron H.Q. (administrative)	Troop 1 (light tank)	Troop 2 (light tank)	Troop 3 (carrier)	Troop 5 (carrier)			Troops 4 and 6 (carrier)	Total squadron
(iii) Transport															
Motor cycles			41		41										41
Trucks, 8-cwt., 5-seater	1	1		3	4										5
Trucks, 15-cwt., G.S.				6	6		3						3	9	(d)15
Tanks, light	4					2		3	3				8	24	28
Armoured scout carriers	2					2				2	2	2	14	42	44
Lorry, 30-cwt., 6-wheeled, G.S.				1	1										(f)1
Lorry, 30c-wt., 4-wheeled, G.S.				7	7		5						3	9	(e)16
Trailer, 15-cwt., 2-wheeled, water tank				1	1										1
Total excluding motor cycles and trailer	7	1		17	18	4	8	3	3	3	3	3	28	84	109
Attached															
Signals – signals section															
Truck, 15-cwt., G.S.				1	1										1
Lorry, 3-ton, 6-wheeled, G.S.				1	1										1
A.A.O.C – .Light aid detachment															
Motor cycle				1	1										1
Car, 2-seater				1	1										1
Lorry, 30-cwt., 6-wheeled, breakdown				1	1										1
Lorry, 30-cwt., 6-wheeled stores				1	1										1
Total vehicles on road excluding motor cycles and trailer	7	1		22	23	4	6	3	3	3	3	3	28	84	114

(iv) Organisation

NOTE – The organization may be varied within the numbers of ranks, tradesmen and vehicles provided, according to tactical of administrative requirements.

Light tanks are fully equipped with weapons and ammunition, but only those shown are equipped with wireless.

	REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS		HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON
Tank 1	Lieutenant colonel Sergeant Corporal driver operator Wireless set (to squadrons)		Squadron headquarters 8-cwt. truck Captain Squadron sergeant major S.Q.M.S. Clerk Driver M.T.
Tank 2	Major (2nd in command) Corporal driver M.T. Operator signals Wireless set (rear link)		
Tank 3	Adjutant Corporal driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set (to squadrons)		Motor cycle troop
Tank 4	Signals or intelligence officer Driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set (reserve)		Motor cycle 1 Transport officer Motor cycle 2 Transport sergeant Motor cycle 3 Provost sergeant Motor cycles 4 and 5 2 police corporals Motor cycle Corporal, motor cyclist Motor cycles 7 to 41 35 motor cyclists
Relief men for tanks carried in administrative troop – Signal sergeant Driver, M.T. 1st class 4 drivers M.T Operator, signals			Total personnel – 41 Pistols – 41
Scout carrier 1	Signals or intelligence officer Intelligence corporal Trooper Driver M.T. Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	8cwt truck 1	Administrative troop Quartermaster Driver M.T. Driver operator Electrician signals Wireless set (to R.S.Ms. carrier)
Scout carrier 2	Regimental sergeant major Driver operator Driver M.T. Wireless set (to transport) Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	8cwt truck 2	Technical officer Technical quartermaster-sergeant Batman Driver M.T. (spare seat)
8-cwt. truck (for liaison or reconnaissance)	Driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set (3 seats for officers)	8cwt truck 3	Regimental quartermaster-sergeant 2 batmen Driver M.T. (Spare seat)
Total personnel, excluding Signals – 26 Pistols – 20; rifles – 6			

15cwt truck 1	2 clerks Postman Driver M.T. Pay sergeant (attached) Office gear	30cwt lorry 2	Armament artificer (fitter), A.A.O.C. (attached) Fitter M.T. (attached) 2 armourers A.A.O.C. (attached)
15cwt truck 2	Medical officer (attached) Medical orderly Batman Driver M.T. Medical equipment		Electrician, A.A.O.C. (attached) Carpenter and joiner Equipment repairer Driver M.T. Tools
15cwt truck 3	Mess orderly Mess cook 3 batmen Driver M.T. Officers mess equipment	30cwt lorry 3	Corporal for technical stores Driver M.T. Technical stores
15cwt truck 4	Sergeant cook 2 cooks Driver M.T. Cooking set Water in tins	30cwt lorry 4	Batman 2 water dutymen Butcher Driver M.T. Officers baggage Rations and cooking gear over from truck 4 – draws water trailer.
15cwt truck 5	Mechanic M.T. Technical storeman Driver M.T. Petrol for distribution Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	30cwt lorries 5, 6 and 7	Driver M.T. Batman Ammunition reserve
15cwt truck 6	Driver M.T. 6 relief crew and 1 relief signalman for R.H.Q. tanks Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	30cwt lorry 8	Driver M.T. 3 sanitary dutymen Ammunition reserve Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
30cwt lorry 1	Storeman (non technical) Driver M.T. Baggage and blankets Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	Attached – Signals section 15cwt truck (deliver of batteries) 3ton lorry	Driver M.T. Sergeant Electrician signals Instrument meechanic Driver M.T. Battery charging set Tools

	total personnel, excluding attached – 54	15cwt truck 2	Driver M.T. Mechanic M.T. Trooper Petrol for distribution Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
	Pistols – 7 including 1 for medical officer, 1 for armament artificer and 1 for pay sergeant.		
	Rifles – 54 (including 2 for armourers and 1 for electrician A.A.O.C.)		
	3 SQUADRONS (EACH)		
	Squadron headquarters (fighting)	15cwt truck 3	Driver M.T. 4 batmen Officers mess equipment
Tank 1	Major Corporal driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set (to troops)	30cwt lorry 1	Squadron quartermaster- sergeant Fitter A.A.O.C. (attached) 3 batmen Storeman (non technical) Driver M.T. Baggage and blankets
Tank 2	Captain Driver M.T. Corporal driver operator Wireless set (rear link)		Electrician signals Mechanic M.T. Driver M.T. Technical storeman Technical stores Tools
Scout carrier 1	Squadron sergeant major Corporal driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set (reserve) Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	30cwt lorry 2	Driver M.T. (3 relief cavalrymen for squadron headquarters tanks) (8 relief cava;rymen for tanks or troops 1 and 2) Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
Scout carrier	Clerk Trooper for intelligence Driver M.T. (seat for officer) Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	30cwt lorry 3	
Relief men for tanks – carried in squadron administrative transport	2 driver operators Driver, M.T. 1st class		
	Total personnel – 15		Total personnel excluding attached – 22
	Pistols – 11; rifles – 4		Rifles – 23 including 1 for attached A.A.O.C. fitter.
	Squadron headquarters (administrative)		Light tank troop 1
15cwt truck 1	2 cooks Driver M.T. Cooking set Water in tins	Tank 1	Lieutenant Corporal driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set
		Tank 2	Sergeant Driver M.T. Corporal driver operator Wireless set

Tank 3	Corporal driver M.T. Driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set	Scout carrier 1	Lieutenant Corporal driver M.T. Corporal driver operator Wireless set Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
Relief men for tanks – carried in squadron administrative transport –			
2 driver operators Driver M.T. 1st class Driver M.T.	Total personnel – 13 Pistols – 13	Scout carrier 2	Sergeant 2 drivers M.T. Trooper Light machine gun Anti tank rifle
	Light tank troop 2		
Tank 1	Lieutenant Driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set	Scout carrier 3	Corporal driver M.T. Driver M.T. 2 troopers Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
Tank 2	Corporal driver M.T. Driver M.T. Corporal driver operator Wireless set		
		Total personnel – 11 Pistols – 5; rifles - 6	
Tank 3	Sergeant Driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set		
Relief men for tanks – carried in squadron administrative transport –		Carrier troops 4 and 6 (each)	
	Driver operator Driver M.T. 1st class 2 drivers M.T.	Scout carrier	Lieutenant Driver M.T. Driver operator Wireless set Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
	Total personnel – 13 Pistols – 13	Scout carrier	Corporal driver M.T. Driver M.T. Driver operator (relief) Trooper Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
	Carrier troop 3		
Scout carrier 1	Lieutenant Corporal driver M.T. Corporal driver operator Wireless set Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle	Scout carrier	Corporal driver M.T. Driver M.T. 2 troopers Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle
Scout carrier 2	Sergeant 2 driver M.T. Trooper Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle		
		Total personnel – 11 Pistols – 5; rifles – 6	
Scout carrier 3	Corporal driver M.T. Driver M.T. 2 troopers Light machine gun Anti-tank rifle		
	Carrier troop 5		

(v) Table of weapons and ammunition

Detail	Number	Ammunition (rounds)		
		On man or with gun	Reserve	Total
Pistols, .455-inch	(h)241	12	1,446	4,338
Rifles, .303-inch	216	50	10,000	10,800
L.M.Gs. for A.A. defence, .303-inch	10	1,000	5,000	15,000
A.T. rifles (not in carriers)				
.55-inch	10	200	400	2,400
Light Tanks –				
M.Gs., .5-inch	28	200	5,600	11,200
M.Gs., .303-inch	28	2,500	56,000	126,000
Dischargers smoke generators	56	3	168	336
Pistols, signal	28	12	84	420
Armoured scout carriers				
L.M.Gs. .303-inch	44	1,000	22,000	66,000
A.T. rifles .55-inch	44	200	1,760	10,560
Pistols, signal	44	12	132	660

(a) Attached to 2nd A.I.F. administrative headquarters.

(b) At least 1 officer and 12 men will be trained in anti-gas duties and decontamination work. 1 man for every fighting vehicle will be trained in first aid duties. In addition to full-time sanitary duty men 1 man in each squadron will be trained in sanitary duties as a part-time employment.

(c) Lance corporal.

(d) 5 fitted with “Motley” A.A. mountings.

(e) 5 fitted with “Motley” A.A. mountings.

(f) Draws water trailer.

(h) The following are armed with pistols:

Officers (including attached medical officer)

Warrant officers

Motor cyclists.

Personnel in tanks.

Relief men for tanks.

Men in scout carriers not armed with rifles.

The following are armed with rifles:–

2 men in every scout carrier.

All remaining personnel not provided for above (including attached armourers, fitters and electrician A.A.O.C.)

Pistols and rifles for the attached signals section and light aid detachment are now shown in table (v).

NOTES ON FIRS REINFORCEMENTS AND ATTACHED

Details left at base

First reinforcements

Officers 4

Sergeants 4

Rank and file 38

Total 46