

## AN ARMoured REGIMENT

Consisting of—

Regimental headquarters (4 cruiser or infantry tanks)

Headquarters squadron of: —

Squadron headquarters

A.A. troop (11 light tanks)

Reconnaissance troop (11 light tanks)

Intercommunication troop (9 scout cars)

Administrative troop

3 squadrons (each) of—

Squadron headquarters

Fighting portion (2 cruiser or infantry and 2 close support tanks)

Administrative portion

5 troops each of 3 cruiser or infantry tanks

(i) Personnel

Detail	Headquarters squadron						Three squadrons (each)				Total armoured regiment	
	Regimental headquarters	Squadron headquarters	A.A. troop	Reconnaissance troop	Intercommunication troop	Administrative troop	Total headquarters squadron	Squadron headquarters	Administrative troop	Five troops (each)		Total each squadron
Lieutenant colonel	1											1
Major (second in command)	1											1
Majors		1					1	1			1	4
Adjutant (captain)	1											1
Liaison officer (captain)		1					1					1
Technical officer					1		1					1
Captains		1		1			2	2			2	8
Subalterns	2		1	1		1	3			1	5	20
Quartermaster						1	1					1
Total officers	5	3	1	2	1	2	9	3		1	8	38
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 majors		1					1	1			1	4
Total warrant officers	1	1				3	4	1			1	8
Squadron quartermaster sergeant						1	1		1		1	4
Mechanist						1	1		1		1	4
Provost sergeant						1	1					1
Signal sergeant						1	1					1
Transport N.C.O.						1	1					1
Clerk						1	1					1
Storeman (technical)						1	1					1
Sergeants	2		1	3	1	1	6	1	1	1	7	29
Total staff sergeants and sergeants	2		1	3	1	8	13	1	3	1	9	42
Corporals (includes 11 lance sergeants)	3		4	6	2	5	17	1	2	2	13	59

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	Regimental headquarters	Squadron headquarters	A.A. troop	Reconnaissance troop	Intercommunication troop	Administrative troop	Total headquarters squadron	Squadron headquarters	Administrative troop	Five troops (each)	Total each squadron	
Troopers (includes 45 lance corporals)	11	3	18	33	14	84	152	18	47	11	120	523
Total rank and file	14	3	22	39	16	89	169	19	49	13	151	670
Total other ranks	17	4	23	42	17	100	186	21	52	14	143	632
Total all ranks	22	7	24	44	18	102	195	24	32	15	151	670
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 (AFV) (includes 1 sergeant in each squadron)								2			2	6
A.C.C.—cooks for—												
Officers mess						1	1		1		1	4
Other ranks mess—												
Sergeant						1	1					1
Corporal									1		1	3
Lance corporals						1	1					1
Privates						1	1		3		3	10
Total attached						8	8	2	5		7	29
Total an armoured regiment	22	7	24	44	18	110	203	26	57	15	158	699
(ii) Distribution of rank and file by trades and duties												
Tradesmen												
Carpenter and joiner						1	1					1
Clerks (a) (includes 2 corporals)						7	7		2		2	13
Driver mechanics						1	1		1		1	4
Driver mechanics A.F.V.	4		6	11		3	20	5	2	3	22	90
Driver operators	3	2	6	11	9	3	31	5	3	3	23	103
Electricians						2	2		1		1	5
Equipment repairer						1	1					1
Fitters gun						1	1					1
Gunner mechanics	1		4	6		3	13	3	3	4	26	92
Gunner operators	3		6	11		3	20	4	3	3	22	89
Storemen (technical)						3	3		1		1	6
Vehicle mechanics						9	9	1	9		10	39
Total tradesmen (b)	11	2	22	39	9	37	109	18	26	13	109	447
Non-tradesmen												
Batmen						10	10		4		4	22
Butchery dutyman						1	1					1
Drivers I.C.	3	1			7	28	36	1	16		17	90
Medical officers orderly (lance corporal)						1	1					1
Motor cyclists						6	6					6
Postman (lance corporal)						1	1					1

Detail	Headquarters squadron						Three squadrons (each)				Total armoured regiment	
	Regimental headquarters	Squadron headquarters	A.A. troop	Reconnaissance troop	Intercommunication troop	Administrative troop	Total headquarters squadron	Squadron headquarters	Administrative troop	Five troops (each)		Total each squadron
Sanitary dutymen						2	2		1		1	5
Storemen						2	2		1		1	5
Water dutymen						1	1		1		1	4
Total non tradesmen	3	1			7	52	60	1	23		24	135
Total rank and file	14	3	22	39	16	89	169	19	49	13	133	582

(iii) Transport												
Motor cycles, solo						8	8					8
Cars—												
4 x 4 heavy utility	1											1
5cwt 4 x 4		2				6	8	1			1	11
Trucks 15cwt—												
4 x 4												
G.S.						3	3		1		1	6
Water 200 gallons						1	1		1		1	4
Wireless		1					1					1
Half tracked personnel	1					5	5		3		3	15
Lorries 3ton—												
4 x 4												
G.S.						11	11		12		12	47
Office						1	1					1
Kitchen						1	1		1		1	4
Machinery type I-30						1	1		1		1	4
6 x 4 stores binned						2	2		1		1	5
Scout cars					9		9	1			1	12
Tanks—												
A.A.			6				6					6
Cruiser or infantry (close support)								2			2	6
Cruiser or infantry	4							2		3	17	55
Light				11			11					11
Armoured recovery vehicles								1			1	3
Trailers—												
1ton 2-wheeled water 180 gallons						1	1					1
2ton 4-wheeled workshop servicing, petrol									1		1	3

(iv) Weapons												
L.M.Gs., .303-inch for –												
Scout cars					9		9	1			1	12
“B” Vehicles						10	10		7		7	31
P.I.A.T.						2	2		3		3	11

(v) Organisation

REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS	
Car 4 x 4 heavy utility	Corporal driver I.C. Driver I.C.
15cwt half tracked	Driver I.C.
Tank cruiser or infantry	Lieutenant colonel Adjutant Sergeant Driver mechanic Driver operator
Tank cruiser or infantry	Major Regimental sergeant major Corporal gunner operator Operator R.Signals Driver mechanic A.F.V.
Tank cruiser or infantry	Subaltern Sergeant Driver mechanic A.F.V. Gunner operator Driver operator
Tank cruiser or infantry	Intelligence officer Corporal gunner operator Driver mechanic A.F.V. Gunner mechanic Driver operator

#### HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON

Squadron headquarters	
5cwt car 4 x 4	Major Driver I.C.
5cwt car 4 x 4	Liaison officer Driver operator
15cwt truck wireless	Captain Squadron sergeant major Driver operator
A.A. troop	
Tank A.A.	Subaltern Driver mechanic Gunner operator Driver operator
Tank A.A.	Sergeant Driver mechanic A.F.V. Gunner operator Driver operator
Tanks A.A. 3-6 (each)	Corporal driver operator Gunner mechanic Gunner operator Driver mechanic A.F.V.
Reconnaissance troop	
Tank light	Captain Driver mechanic Gunner operator Driver operator

Tank light	Subaltern Driver mechanic Gunner operator Driver operator
Tanks light 3-5	Sergeant Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver mechanic
Tanks light 66-11	Corporal driver operator Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver mechanic
Intercommunication troop	
Scout car	Sergeant Driver
Scout cars 2-3	Corporal driver I.C. Driver operator
Scout cars 2-8	Driver operator Driver I.C.
Scout car	Technical officer Driver operator
Administrative troop	
Motor cycle	Provost sergeant
Motor cycle 2-7	Motor cyclist
Motor cycle	Batman
5cwt car 4 x 4	Corporal driver I.C.
5cwt car 4 x 4 2-5	Driver I.C.
5cwt car 4 x 4	Quartermaster Driver I.C.
15cwt truck G.S.	Squadron quartermaster sergeant Driver I.C.
15cwt truck G.S.	Quartermaster sergeant (technical) Sergeant storeman (technical) Corporal clerk Batman Driver I.C.
15cwt truck G.S.	Medical officers orderly Sanitary dutyman Driver I.C.
15cwt truck water	Water dutyman Driver I.C.
15cwt truck half tracked	Medical officer Batman Driver operator
15cwt trucks half tracked 2-3	Driver I.C.
15cwt truck half tracked	Mechanist sergeant 3 vehicle mechanics Driver operator

15cwt truck half tracked	Equipment repairer Sergeant armourer Lance corporal armourer Armourer Corporal storeman (technical) Driver I.C.	3ton lorry stores (binned)	Vehicle mechanic Storeman (technical) 3 batmen Driver I.C.
			EACH SQUADRON
			Squadron headquarters
3ton lorry G.S.	Transport sergeant Cook (for officers mess) Butchery dutyman Batman Driver I.C.	5cwt car 4 x 4 Scout car Tank cruiser or infantry (close support)	Driver I.C. Driver operator Major Sergeant Driver mechanic Gunner operator Driver operator
3ton lorry G.S.	Carpenter and joiner Vehicle mechanic Corporal driver operator (relief) 3 driver mechanics (relief) 3 gunner operators (relief) 3 gunner mechanics (relief) Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser or infantry (close support)	Captain Corporal driver operator Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver mechanic
3ton lorry G.S.	Postman Storeman 3 batmen Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser or infantry	Squadron sergeant majorj Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver operator
3ton lorry G.S.	Electrician Fitter gun Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser or infantry	Captain Driver mechanic Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver operator
3ton lorry G.S.	Sergeant Sanitary dutyman Driver I.C.	Armoured recovery vehicle	Vehicle mechanic Sergeant vehicle mechanic Vehicle mechanic Driver mechanic
3ton lorry G.S.	Clerk Driver I.C.		
3ton lorry G.S.	Clerk Driver I.C.		Administrative troop
3ton lorry G.S.	Regimental quartermaster sergeant Driver I.C.	15cwt truck G.S.	Squadron quartermaster sergeant Sergeant Driver I.C.
3ton lorry G.S.	3 vehicle mechanics Driver I.C.	15cwt truck water	Water dutyman Driver I.C.
3ton lorry G.S.	Storeman Clerk Driver I.C.	15cwt truck half tracked	Mechanist sergeant 2 vehicle mechanics Driver operator (relief)
3ton lorry G.S.	2 clerks Driver I.C.	15cwt truck half tracked	Cook (for officers mess) Driver I.C.
3ton lorry kitchen	Sergeant cook Lance corporal cook Cook Driver I.C.	15cwt truck half tracked	2 driver mechanics (relief) Driver operator (relief) 2 gunner operators (relief)
3ton lorry machinery I30	Electrician Driver mechanic	3ton lorry G.S.	Storeman 5 vehicle mechanics Driver I.C.
3ton lorry office	Signal officer Signal sergeant Sergeant clerk Corporal clerk Driver I.C.	3ton lorry G.S. 2-4	Batman Driver I.C.
		3ton lorry G.S.	Clerk Corporal driver I.C.

3ton lorry G.S.	Clerk Driver I.C.	3ton lorry machinery I30	Electrician Driver mechanic
3ton lorry G.S.	Batman Driver I.C.	3ton lorry stores (binned)	Corporal storeman (technical)
3ton lorry G.S.	Gunner operator (relief) Driver I.C.		2 vehicle mechanics Fitter gun
			EACH TROOP
3ton lorry G.S.	Gunner mechanic (relief) Sanitary dutyman Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser or infantry	Subaltern Corporal driver operator Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver mechanic
3ton lorry G.S.	2 gunner mechanic (relief) Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser or infantry	Sergeant Driver operator Gunner operator Gunner mechanic Driver mechanic
3ton lorry G.S.	Corporal driver operator (relief) Driver I.C.		
3ton lorry G.S.	Driver I.C.		
3ton lorry G.S.	Corporal cook 3 cooks Driver I.C.	Tank cruiser or infantry	Corporal driver operator Gunner operator 2 gunner mechanics Driver mechanic

a) 2 troopers for technical officer; 2 troopers for headquarters squadron; 1 corporal and 1 trooper for regimental headquarters; 1 corporal for quarter-masters office; 2 troopers for each squadron. The troopers mentioned in this note are eligible for appointment to lance-corporal within the total lance-corporals authorised in table "(i)".

(b) The following ranks and appointments, additional to those shown in table "(i)" may be allotted to tradesmen as under:-

	Lance-serjeants	Corporals	Lance-corporals
Carpenters and joiners)			
Electricians)			
Equipment repairer)	2	6	10
Vehicle mechanics)			
Storemen (technical		4	

#### NOTES

1. 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.

Tank armament and equipment will be issued in conformity with the scales applying to the actual Armoured Fighting Vehicles by marks, which the unit holds on charge with the number authorised on this establishment.

These scales, including weapon scales will be given in A.F. G.1098.

2. One tank in the regiment may be equipped to fit a tank dozer blade.

3. In a regiment equipped with 45 Crocodile/Churchill equipments the transport will be modified as follow:-

delete – Lorries, 3-ton, 4x4, G.S.	35
add – Tractors, 4x4, medium	50

Drivers for the additional vehicles will be found from within the present authorized establishment.

4. In a regiment equipped with 45 flame throwing tanks, one control tank (with 2 No. 19 sets) will replace one normal infantry, cruiser or close support tank on each squadron headquarters and in each troop.

5. At the discretion of theatre commanders the reconnaissance troop in headquarters squadron may be modified to include 6 light tanks and 6 scout cars, instead of 11 light tanks.

6. At least 1 officer and 12 men will be trained in anti-gas duties and decontamination work.

7. If fitters gun are not available, vehicle mechanics will include 6 who have qualified on a course of gun fitting at the A.F.V. School.

8. If cars, 5-cwt 4x4 are not available, 5 motor-cycles, solo and 5 cars, 4x2, light utility may be issued in lieu.

9. In a regiment equipped with light tanks manned by a crew of five, the following will be added to war establishment:-

Gunner-mechanics	11
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10. 5 lorries, 3-ton, 4x4, G.S. will be added when the regiment is equipped with tanks mounting a 77-mm or 17-pr gun.

Details left at base –	
Orderly room serjeant	1
First reinforcements –	
Captains	2
Subalterns	8
Squadron quarter-master-serjeant	1
Serjeants	3
Corporals	4
Lance-corporals	8
Troopers	75
(Rank and file includes the following tradesmen –	
Clerks	2
Driver-mechanics A.F.V.	16
Driver-operators	20
Gunner-operators	17
Gunner-mechanics	16
Electrician	1
Vehicle mechanics	3
Storeman (technical)	1)

Attached –

Signal troop, R. Signals – see W.E. for Armoured Divisional Signals in Volume II.

Light aid detachment, R.E.M.E. – see W.E. for a L.A.D., type 'C', R.E.M.E. in Volume II.

This establishment supersedes W.Es. Nos, II/151/3, II/154/2 and II/156/1