

Notified in A.C.Is. for the week ending 1st July, 1936

AN INFANTRY (MIXED) BATTALION
(with mechanized 1st line transport)
(Headquarter Wing, 1 Support Company and
3 Rifle Companies)

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

Detail	Personnel						Vehicles		
	Officers	Warrant officers	Staff-serjeants and serjeants	Drummers and bugler	Rank and file	Total	Motor cars	Motor cycles	Bicycles
SUMMARY									
Headquarter wing	8	2	10	1	173	194	6	4	21
Headquarter wing (attached)	1		1		2	5			
Support company	6	1	10		157	174	3	3	7
3 rifle companies	12	3	21		417	453	3		
Total, infantry battalion	26	6	41	1	(a)747	821	12	7	28
Total, infantry battalion (including attached)	27	6	42	1	750	826	12	7	28
<i>Not included in above totals</i>									
<i>Details left at the base</i>									
<i>Orderly-room serjeant</i>			1			1			
First reinforcements	(b)5	1	8		151	165			
COMPOSITION IN DETAIL									
(1) Personnel									
HEADQUARTER WING									
<i>No. 1 Group—</i>									
Lieutenant-colonel	1					1	1		
Major (2nd-in-command)	1					1	1		
Adjutant	1					1	1		
Regimental serjeant-major		1				1			
<i>Orderly-room serjeant</i>			1			1			
Signallers	(d)1		1		(e)32	34		1	8
Intelligence section	(d)1		1		6	8			8
Clerks			(f)1		2	3			
Medical officer's orderly					(g)1	1			
Stretcher bearers (h)			1		20	21			
Orderlies					5	5			5
Bugler				1		1			
Batmen					(j)5	5			
Batmen-drivers					2	2			
Total, No. 1 group	5	1	4	1	73	84	3	1	21
<i>No. 2 Group (Anti-tank platoon) (3 2-pr anti-tank guns)—</i>									
Subaltern	1					1	1		
Serjeant			1			1		1	
Corporals					3	3			
Motor cyclist					1	1		1	

Detail	Personnel						Vehicles		
	Officers	Warrant officers	Staff-serjeants and serjeants	Drummers and bugler	Rank and file	Total	Motor cars	Motor cycles	Bicycles
Gun numbers					12	12			
Batman-driver					1	1			
Total, No. 2 group	1		1		17	17	1	2	
<i>No. 3 Group</i>									
Quarter-master	1					1	1		
Transport officer (subaltern)	1					1	1		
Regimental quarter-master-serjeant		1				1			
Company quarter-master-serjeant			1			1			
Butcher					1	1			
Postman					(g)1	1			
Leather-stitcher					(n)1	1			
Officers' mess cook					1	1			
Officers' mess servant					1	1			
Pioneers			1		(n)5	6			
Police			1		4	5			
Storemen					2	2			
Clerks					2	2			
Lewis gunners (k)					(o)7	7			
Transport serjeant			1			1		1	
Drivers, I.C.					(l)48	48			
Cooks			1		3	4			
Batmen-drivers					2	2			
Sanitary duties					4	4			
Water duties					1	1			
Total, No. 3 group	2	1	5		83	91	2	1	
Total, headquarter wing	8	2	10	1	173	194	6	4	21
<i>Attached—</i>									
Chaplain (m)	1					1			
Batman to chaplain (m)					1	1		1	
Medical officer	1					1			
Armourer, R.A.O.C.			1			1			
Fitters, R.A.O.C.					2	2			
Shoemaker, R.A.O.C.					1	1			
<i>Drivers, I.C. (2nd line transport) R.A.S.C. (u)</i>					4	4			
Total, headquarter wing (including attached)	9	2	11	1	176	199	6	4	21
SUPPORT COMPANY									
<i>Headquarters—</i>									
Major or captain	1					1	1		
Captain (2nd-in-command)	1					1	1		
Company serjeant-major		1				1			
Company quarter-master-serjeant			1			1			
Corporal					1	1			
Clerk					1	1			
Storeman					1	1			
Cooks					3	3			

Detail	Personnel						Vehicles		
	Officers	Warrant officers	Staff-serjeants and serjeants	Drummers and bugler	Rank and file	Total	Motor cars	Motor cycles	Bicycles
Orderlies					4	4			2
Privates					7	7			
Batmen-drivers					2	2			
Total, company headquarters	2	1	1		19	23	2		2
<i>3 platoons (each of 4 machine guns) (each)</i>									
Headquarters—									
Subaltern	1					1		1	
Serjeant			1			1			
Orderly					1	1			
Observer					1	1			
Scouts					4	4			
Batman					1	1			
Total, platoon headquarters	1		1		7	9		1	
<i>2 sections (each)</i>									
Serjeant			(o)1			1			
Corporal					(o)1	1			
Range-taker					1	1			
Orderly					1	1			
Gun numbers					10	10			
Total, each section			1		13	14			
Total, each platoon	1		(o)2		(o)34	37		1	
<i>Mortar platoon (4 mortars)</i>									
Headquarters									
Subaltern	1					1	1		
Serjeant			1			1			
Orderly					1	1			1
Batman-driver					1	1			
Total, headquarters	1		1		2	4	1		1
<i>2 sections (each of 2 detachments) (each)</i>									
Serjeant			1			1			
Range-taker					1	1			
Detachments—									
Corporals					2	2			
Lance-corporals					2	2			
Gun numbers					10	10			
Orderlies					2	2			2
Total, each section			1		17	17			2
Total, mortar platoon	1		3		36	40			5
Total, support company	6	1	10		(p)157	174	3	3	7
3 RIFLE COMPANIES (EACH)									
Headquarters—									
Major or captain (q)	1					1	1		
Captain (2nd-in-command)	1					1			
Company serjeant-major		1				1			
Company quarter-master-serjeant			1			1			
Clerk					1	1			

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	Officers	Warrant officers	Staff-serjeants and serjeants	Drummers and bugler	Rank and file	Total	Motor cars	Motor cycles	Bicycles
Storeman					1	1			
Cooks					3	3			
Batman-driver					1	1			
Batman					1	1			
Total, headquarters	2	1	1		7	11	1		
<i>4 platoons (each)</i>									
Headquarters—									
Subaltern	(r)1					1			
Serjeant			1			1			
Batman (s)					1	1			
Total, headquarters	1		1		1	3			
4 sections (total)					(t)32	32			
Total, each platoon	1		1		33	35			
Total, each company	(r)4	1	(r)7		(p)139	151	1		

NOTE

The following tradesmen are included in the above establishment:—

Clerk (orderly room)	1
Leather stitcher	1
Pioneers—	
Pioneer serjeant (bricklayer or carpenter)	1
Bricklayers	2
Carpenters and joiners	3

(ii) *Transport*

Detail	Headquarter wing	Support company	3 rifle companies (each)	Total
<i>1st Line—</i>				
Bicycles	21	7		28
Motor cycles for—				
Signal officer	1			1
Anti-tank platoon serjeant and orderly	2			2
Transport serjeant	1			1
Platoon commanders (support company)		3		3
Cars, 2-seater, 4-wheeled for—				
2nd-in-command	1			1
Adjutant	1			1
Quarter-master	1			1
Transport officer	1			1
Company commanders		1	1	4
2nd-in-command (support company)		1		1
Commander, mortar platoon		1		1
Commander, anti-tank platoon	1			1
Car, 4-seater, 4-wheeled, open	1			1
Van, 12-cwt., 4-wheeled, G.S. for medical officer and medical equipment	1			1
Trucks, 15-cwt., 4-wheeled, G.S. for—				

Detail	Headquarter wing	Support company	3 rifle companies (each)	Total
S.A.A.	5			5
Anti-tank guns	3			3
A.A. light machine guns	1			1
Signal stores	1			1
Light machine guns and S.A.A.			2	6
Company tools, grenades and fireworks			1	3
Water tank	1			1
Mortars		4		4
Mortar ammunition		1		1
Machine guns and S.A.A.		6		6
Lorries, 30-cwt., 4-wheeled, G.S., for—				
Officers' mess	1			1
Baggage and greatcoats	5			5
Cooks	5			5
Fitters	1			1
Petrol	1			1
<i>2nd Line (R.A.S.C.)—</i>				
<i>Lorries, 3-ton, 4-wheeled, for supplies (v)</i>	2			2

(iii) Table of weapons and ammunition

Detail	Number	Ammunition (w)		
		On man or with gun	In regimental and company reserve	Total
Pistols (including officers' pistols)	(x)140	12	840	2,520
Rifles, .303-inch (including rifles for attached personnel)	(x)686	(y)50	68,000	101,630
A.T. rifles, .5-inch	24	200	960	5,760
Lewis guns—				
For ground defence	24	1,252	14,976	45,024
For A.A. defence	2	470		940
Machine guns (Vickers)	12	3,500	54,000	96,000
Pistols, signal	24			
Cartridges D.I. Very light		6		144
Red		3		72
Green		3		72
2-pr. A.T. guns H.E.	3	112		336
3-inch mortars	4			
H.E.		75	90	390
Smoke		45	54	234
Grenades—				
H.E.		72		72
Smoke		216		216

- (a) Of the 49 corporals in a battalion, 10 may be lance-serjeants, and of the privates 50 may be lance-corporals.
Scottish battalions and Irish battalions (except the Royal Ulster Rifles) will be allowed 1 serjeant piper and 5 pipers in addition. A battalion of Foot Guards will be allowed 2 drill serjeants (warrant officers, Class II) in addition.
- (b) To be found from R.A.R.O. or other sources.
- (c) Attached to general headquarters, 2nd echelon

- (d) Subaltern.
- (e) Includes a corporal.
- (f) Or corporal.
- (g) Lance-corporal.
- (h) In the infantry of the line, these duties will be performed by either the drum-major or band-serjeant and 20 bandsmen. Instruments are carried in the baggage lorries when not required.
- (j) 1 for medical officer, 1 for regimental serjeant-major.
- (k) 2 light machine guns for air defence.
- (l) Includes 2 corporals.
- (m) Allotted from the establishment of brigade headquarters.
- (n) To repair web equipment, canvas work and straps under the supervision of the R.A.O.C. shoemaker.
- (o) In 1 section only of each platoon. The other section will have 2 corporals.
- (p) 1 man in each company will be trained, after mobilization, to repair boots as a part time employment, under the supervision of the R.A.O.C. shoemaker. 1 man in each company will be trained in sanitary duties as a part time employment.
- (q) 1 company is commanded by a major and 2 by captains.
- (r) 2 platoons in each rifle company will be commanded by subalterns and 2 by serjeants.
- (s) Also acts as orderly.
- (t) Includes 2 corporals, but 1 platoon in each company will have 3 corporals.
- (u) Provided by divisional R.A.S.C.
- (v) 1 in each echelon of Divisional Supply Column R.A.S.C. Carry supplies and ordnance stores. Petrol is provided separately through the Divisional Petrol Company, R.A.S.C., blankets being carried in a section of this company.
- (w) Particulars of 2nd and 3rd line ammunition are shown in the establishments of the Divisional Ammunition Company and Corps Ammunition Park respectively.
- (x) These numbers vary according to the fighting strength of the unit.
- (y) Certain ranks carry 25 or 20 rounds.