

**SPECIAL AIR SERVICE REGIMENT,
NORTH AFRICA**

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) Personnel

Detail	Regimental headquarters	Headquarters Squadron					Two squadrons (each)					Total special air service regiment, North Africa
		Squadron Headquarters	Signal troop	Administrative troop	Intelligence troop	Depot training troop	Total, headquarters squadron	Three troops (each)			Total, each squadron	
								Troop headquarters	Three sections (each)	Total, each troop		
Lieutenant colonel	1											1
Majors		1				1	1				1	3
Captains				1		1		1		1	3	7
Adjutant (captain)	1											1
Subalterns					1	1			1	3	9	19
Quarter-master			1			1						1
Total, officers	2	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	4	13	32
Regimental serjeant-major	1											1
Regimental quarter-master-serjeant			1			1						1
Squadron serjeant-major							1				1	2
Total, warrant officers	1		1			1	1				1	4
Squadron quarter-master-serjeants							1				1	2
Serjeants				1	2	3		1	1	4	12	27
Storeman, technical (serjeant) (a)			1			1						1
Officers' mess steward (a)			1			1						1
Serjeants' mess caterer (a)			1			1						1
Provost serjeant			1			1						1
Transport serjeant			1			1						1
Total, staff serjeants and serjeants			5	1	2	8	1	1	1	4	13	34
Lance-serjeants	1	1	2	1	4	8	1		2	6	19	10
Corporals												37
Lance-corporals	5	4	38	2		44	15	1	10	31	108	26
Troopers												239
Total, rank and file	6	5	40	3	4	52	16	1	12	37	127	312
Total, other ranks	7	5	46	4	6	61	18	2	13	41	141	350
Total, all ranks	9	6	47	5	7	65	19	3	14	45	154	382
<i>Attached</i>												
R.E.—												
Captain		1				1						1
Serjeant			1			1						1

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Draughtsman, topographical					1		1							1
Pioneers				4			4							4
R. Signals—														
Subaltern			1				1							1
Serjeant			1				1							1
Operators, wireless and line			4				4							4
Electrician, signals			2				2							2
Instrument mechanic			1				1							1
Driver-mechanic			1				1							1
R.A.M.C. — Medical officer				1			1							1
R.A.O.C. — Shoemaker (lance corporal)				1			1							1
R.E.M.E. —														
Armament artificer (field) (staff serjeant)				1			1							1
Armourers (includes 1 serjeant)				2			2							2
Vehicle mechanics (includes 1 lance corporal)				2			2							2
A.P.T.C.— Instructor						1	1							1
A.A.C. — Cooks for														
Officers' mess				2			2							2
Serjeants' mess				2			2							2
Rank and file mess (includes 1 serjeant and 1 corporal)				7			7							7
Total, attached		1	10	23	1	1	36							36
Total, special air service regiment, North Africa (including attached)	9	7	10	70	6	8	101	19	3	14	45	154		418

(ii) Distribution of rank and file by trades and duties

<i>Tradesmen</i>													
Clerks (includes 1 lance-serjeant, 1 lance-corporal, 1 shorthand typist) (a)	3	1		2			3	2				2	10
Carpenter & joiner (a)				1			1						1
Equipment repairer (a)				1			1						1
Storeman, technical (a)				1			1						1
Driver operators								4				4	8
Total, tradesmen	3	1		5			6	6				6	21
<i>Non tradesmen</i>													
Administrative duties (corporal) (a)		1					1						1
Batmen (a)				13			13						13
Drivers I.C.	1			2			2	2	1		1	5	13

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Intelligence duties					3		3						3
Medical officer's orderly (lance-corporal)				1			1						1
Mess servants (a) for —													
Officers' mess				3			3						3
Other ranks' mess				1			1						1
Orderlies	2	2		1			3	2				2	9
General dutymen (includes 1 corporal)				6			6						6
Postman (lance corporal) (a)				1			1						1
Regimental police (includes 1 lance corporal)				4			4						4
Sanitary dutyman (a)				1			1						1
Signallers (includes 1 corporal in each squadron)								5				5	10
Storeman		1		1			2	1				1	4
Water dutyman (lance-corporal)				1			1						1
Operating personnel						4	4		(b)12	36	108	220	
Total, non tradesmen	3	4		35	3	4	46	10	1	12	37	121	291
Total, rank and file	6	5		40	3	4	52	16	1	12	37	127	312

(iii) *Transport*

Motor-cycles, solo				2			2	2				2	6
Cars, 5-cwt., 4x4		1	1	1	1		4	1	2		2	7	18
Car, 4-seater, 4x2	1												1
Trucks, 15-cwt., 4x2, G.S.				1			1	1	1		1	4	9
Lorry, 30-cwt., 4x2, G.S. (U.S. pattern for S.C.R. 299)			1				1						1
Lorries, 3-ton, 4x2, G.S.				1			1	1				1	3

(iv) *Weapons*

L.M.Gs., .303-inch	10
2-inch mortars	6
3-inch mortars	6
Guns, 6-pdr., A.Tk.	2
Pistols, signal	26

(a) May be found from personnel of medical category "B"

(b) Includes 1 lance corporal

NOTES

1. One man in each squadron will be trained up to the standard of a 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 on that trade.
2. One N.C.O. in each squadron will act as assistant instructor physical training
3. Cars, 5-cst., 4x4 will be driven and maintained by driver-operators or operating personnel.

NOTES ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS

Details left at base —

Orderly room serjeant 1

First Reinforcements

Captain 1

Subalterns 4

Serjeant 1

Corporal 1

Lance-corporals 3

Troopers 25