

Infantry Battalion (Tropical Scale) November 1942

Consisting of

Battalion Headquarters

Headquarters Company

Four Rifle Companies

Battalion Headquarters

Officers Lieutenant colonel battalion commander , major second in command , captain adjutant , captain medical officer , lieutenant intelligence officer

WOs Regimental sergeant major

NCOs 2 orderly room sergeants , provost sergeant, sergeant i/c stretcher bearers, intelligence sergeant, sergeant hygiene inspector, sergeant medical, sergeant pay clerk, corporal intelligence duties, 2 corporal stretcher bearers, corporal pay clerk

Enlisted 5 intelligence duties, 2 clerks, 6 batmen, LMG number, 6 regimental police, 18 stretcher bearers, 5 drivers MT

Vehicles 3 bicycles, 8 motorcycles, 3 trucks ¼ton, car 6 seater utility, truck 15cwt GS, truck 15cwt officer

Weapons 15 pistols, 40 rifles, 4 SMG, LMG

Headquarters Company

Company Headquarters

Officers Captain company commander)

WOs Company sergeant major

NCOs Company quartermaster sergeant, corporal cook, corporal clerk

Enlisted 6 cooks, rangetaker, batman, storeman, driver MT

Vehicles 3 bicycles, truck ¼ton, truck 3ton GS

Weapons 4 pistols, 10 rifles, SMG

Signal Platoon

Officers Lieutenant signals officer

NCOs Sergeant, 2 corporal signallers

Enlisted 24 signallers, batman, 2 motorcycle orderlies, 3 orderlies, driver MT

Vehicles 8 bicycles, 2 motorcycles, truck ¼ton, truck 15cwt GS

Weapons Pistol, 34 rifles, SMG

Anti Aircraft Platoon

Officers Lieutenant platoon commander

NCOs Platoon sergeant, 2 corporals LMG numbers & riflemen

Enlisted Batman, 12 LMG numbers & riflemen, orderly, 2 drivers MT

Vehicles Motorcycle, 2 trucks 15cwt GS

Weapons Pistol, 17 rifles, 2 SMG, 4 twin LMG, AT rifle

Mortar Platoon

Officers Lieutenant platoon commander

NCOs 5 sergeants, 4 corporal mortar numbers

Enlisted Fitter MV, 8 driver mechanics, 24 mortar numbers

Vehicles 3 motorcycles, 9 carriers mortar, trucks 15cwt GS

Weapons 12 pistols, 32 rifles, 10 SMG, 8 mortars 3inch

Carrier Platoon

Officers Captain platoon commander, lieutenant second in command

NCOs 4 sergeants, 9 corporal LMG numbers & riflemen

Enlisted 2 fitters, clerk, 13 driver mechanics, 2 batmen, 23 LMG numbers & riflemen, driver MT

Vehicles 11 motorcycles, 13 carriers, truck 15cwt GS

Weapons 15 pistols, 17 rifles, 25 SMG, 13 LMG, 13 MMG

Anti Tank Platoon

Officers Lieutenant platoon commander
NCOs 3 sergeants, 4 corporal gun numbers
Enlisted Fitter gun, mechanic MV, 2 driver mechanics, 15 gun numbers, batman, motorcyclist orderly, 3 drivers MT
Vehicles 2 motorcycles, truck 15cwt GS, 4 tractors 2pdr AT gun portee
Weapons 3 pistols, 20 rifles, 9 SMG, 4 guns AT 2pdr

Pioneer Platoon

Officers Lieutenant platoon leader
NCOs Sergeant, 2 corporal pioneers
Enlisted Blacksmith, 6 carpenters, batman, 8 pioneers, drive MT
Vehicles Motorcycle, truck 15cwt GS
Weapons Pistol, 19 rifles, SMG

Administrative Platoon

Officers Captain quartermaster, lieutenant transport officer
WOs Regimental quartermaster sergeant, caterer
NCOs Sergeant cook, sergeant tailor, sergeant technical stores, transport sergeant, sergeant armourer, sergeant postal services, corporal tailor, 2 corporal drivers MT, corporal shoemaker
Enlisted 2 mechanics MV, butcher, 2 clerks, equipment repairer, 3 technical storemen, 2 batmen, general dutyman officers mess, 2 general dutymen sergeants mess, 4 hygiene dutymen, orderly, storeman, 2 drivers MT, 7 drivers MT, fitter MV
Vehicles 2 motorcycles, 7 trucks 3ton GS, 2 trucks 3ton water
Weapons 3 pistols, 36 rifles, 6 SMG, AT rifle

Four Rifle Companies (each)

Company Headquarters

Officers Major company commander, captain second in command
WOs Company sergeant major
NCOs Corporal cook, corporal clerk
Enlisted 3 cooks, driver mechanic, 2 batmen, 3 orderlies, storeman, 2 drivers MT
Vehicles 2 bicycles, 3 trucks 15cwt GS
Weapons 2 pistols, 16 rifles, 2 SMG

3 Platoons (each)

Officers Lieutenant platoon commander
NCOs Sergeants, 3 corporal LMG numbers & riflemen
Enlisted Batman, 30 LMG numbers & riflemen, 2 mortar numbers, orderly
Weapons 3 pistols, 99 rifles, 18 SMG, mortar 2inch, AT rifle, 3 LMG