

Red Army Motorised Rifle Battalion

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Composed of;

Battalion Headquarters	15 Officers, 4 men
Communication Platoon	(20 men)
Submachine Gun Platoon	(1 Officer, 29 men)
Three Rifle Companies, each	7 Officers, 117 men
Company Headquarters	(3 Officers, 8 men)
Machine Gun Platoon	(1 Officer, 10 men) - (two heavy machine guns)
Three Rifle Platoons, each	(1 Officer, 33 men)
Anti-tank Rifle Company	6 Officers, 34 men
Company Headquarters	(3 Officers, 1 man)
Three Platoons, each	(1 Officer, 11 men) - (four anti-tank rifles)
Anti-tank Battery	5 Officers, 28 men
Battery Headquarters	(3 Officers)
Two Platoons, each	(1 Officer, 14 men) - (two 45-mm guns)
Mortar Battery	4 Officers, 39 men
Battery Headquarters	(2 Officers, 5 men)
Two Platoons, each	(1 Officer, 17 men) - (three 82-mm mortars)
Service Company	7 Officers, 71 men
Medical Detachment	2 Officers, 4 men
Total strength	641 all ranks (61 Officers and 580 men)

Total for Officers includes 10 Political Officers and 10 Officers from specialist branches

Summary Table, Red Army Motorised Rifle Battalion, March 1942

Detail	Battalion Headquarters	Communication Platoon	Submachine Gun Platoon	Three Rifle Companies (each)			Total, Rifle Company	Total, Anti-tank Rifle Company	Total, Anti-tank Battery	Total, Mortar Battery	Total, Service Company & Medical	Total, Motorised Rifle Battalion
				Company HQ	Machine Gun Platoon	Three Rifle Platoons (each)						
i). Personnel												
Command ranks	12	0	1	2	1	1	6	5	4	3	8	51
Political ranks	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	10
Junior command ranks	3	9	28	4	4	12	44	16	8	13	17	226
Other ranks	1	11	1	4	6	21	73	18	20	26	58	354
Total, all ranks	19	20	30	11	11	34	124	40	33	43	84	641
ii). Transport												
Passenger car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
1.5-ton trucks	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	38	44
2.5-ton trucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	7	11
Workshop truck	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ambulance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Kitchen trailers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Motorcycle & sidecar	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
iii). Weapons												
Pistols	15	0	0	3	1	0	4	6	5	4	8	50
Rifles	1	20	0	4	8	24	84	22	24	33	52	404
Sniper rifles	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	12
Submachine guns	0	0	30	0	0	5	15	0	0	0	5	80
Light machine guns	0	0	0	0	0	4	12	0	0	0	0	36
Heavy machine guns	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	6
82-mm mortars	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6
Anti-tank rifles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	12
45-mm guns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4

Battalion Headquarters (7 Officers, 3 Political Officers, 5 Service Officers and 4 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
<i>Command</i>				
Battalion commander	Major	1	Pistol	1
Military commissioner	Battalion commissioner	1	Pistol	1
Deputy Battalion commander	Captain	1	Pistol	1
Assistant Battalion commander (for Technical Duties)	Military Technician (3 rd Grade)	1	Pistol	1
Assistant Battalion commander (for Administrative Duties)	Quartermaster (3 rd Grade)	1	Pistol	1
<i>Staff</i>				
Senior Adjutant	Captain	1	Pistol	1
Adjutant	Senior Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Communication Chief (<i>commands Communication Platoon</i>)	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Chief of Chemical Services	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Chief of Engineering Services	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Senior Clerk	Administrative Sergeant	1		
Motorcyclist	Private	1	Carbine Motorcycle and sidecar	1 1
<i>Party Political Apparatus</i>				
Secretary of the Party	<i>By special provision</i>	1	Pistol	1
Secretary <i>Komsomol</i>	<i>By special provision</i>	1	Pistol	1
<i>Technical Duties</i>				
Head of Ammunition	Military Technician (Grade 2)	1	Pistol	1
Senior Clerk	Administrative Sergeant	1		
<i>Administration and Supply</i>				
Assistant Head of Supply	Technician Quartermaster (Grade 1)	1	Pistol	1
Head of Finances	Technician Quartermaster (Grade 1)	1	Pistol	1
Senior Clerk	Administrative Sergeant	1		
Total, all ranks		19		

Communication Platoon (20 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Radio Squad				
Squad commander	Senior Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Senior radio operator	Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Radio operator	Junior Sergeant	5	Carbine	5
Driver	Private	1	Carbine	1
			1.5-ton truck	1
Two Telephone Squads, each				
Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Senior telephonist	Lance-corporal	1	Carbine	1
Telephonist	Private	4	Carbine	4
Total, all ranks		20		

Submachine Gun Platoon (1 Officer, 29 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Submachine gun	1
Assistant Platoon commander	<i>Starshina</i>	1	Submachine gun	1
Messenger	Private	1	Submachine gun	1
Three Squads, each				
Squad commander	Senior Sergeant	1	Submachine gun	1
Deputy Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Submachine gun	1
Submachine gunner	Junior Sergeant	7	Submachine gun	7
Total, all ranks		30		

Medical Detachment (2 Officers, 4 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Battalion Doctor	Medical officer, 3 rd Grade	1	Pistol	1
Medic	Medical Assistant	1		
Sanitary instructor	Senior Sergeant (Medical)	1		
Medical orderly	Private	2		
Driver	Private	1	Carbine	1
			Ambulance	1
Total, all ranks		6		

Three Rifle Companies (7 Officers, 117 men), each

Company Headquarters (2 Officers, 1 Political Officer, 8 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Company commander	Senior Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Political leader	Political instructor	1	Pistol	1
Deputy Company commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
<i>Starshina</i>	<i>Starshina</i>	1	Rifle*	1
Company clerk	Administrative Sergeant	1		
Observer (sniper)	Private	1	Rifle	1
Messenger	Private	1	Rifle	1
Sanitary instructor	Senior Sergeant	1		
Medical orderly	Private	2	Carbine	2
Armourer	Technical Sergeant	1		
Total, all ranks		11	*authorised an SVT-40 rifle	

Machine Gun Platoon (1 Officer, 10 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Two Squads, each				
Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Rifle	1
Deputy commander – Gunner	Junior Sergeant	1	Heavy machine gun	1
Machine gunner	Private	3	Rifle	3
Total, all ranks		11		

Three Rifle Platoons, each (1 Officer, 33 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Submachine gun	1
Observer (sniper)	Private	1	Rifle	1
Four Squads, each				
Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Rifle*	1
Deputy Squad commander	Junior Sergeant	1	Rifle*	1
Machine gunner (No.1)	Junior Sergeant	1	Light machine gun	1
Machine gunner	Private	1	Rifle*	1
Rifleman	Private	3	Rifle*	3
Rifleman	Private	1	Submachine gun	1
Total, all ranks		34	*authorised an SVT-40 rifle	

Anti-tank Rifle Company (6 Officers, 34 men)**Company Headquarters (2 Officers, 1 Political Officer, 1 man)**

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Company commander	Senior Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Political leader	Political instructor	1	Pistol	1
Deputy Company commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
<i>Starshina</i>	<i>Starshina</i>	1	Carbine	1
Total, all ranks		4		

Three Anti-tank Rifle Platoons, each (1 Officer, 11 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Assistant platoon commander	Senior Sergeant	1	Rifle	1
Two Squads, each				
Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Rifle	1
Deputy commander – Gunner	Junior Sergeant	1	Anti-tank rifle	1
Number	Private	1	Rifle	1
Senior gunner	Lance-corporal	1	Anti-tank rifle	1
Number	Private	1	Rifle	1
Total, all ranks		12		

Anti-tank Battery (5 Officers, 28 men)**Battery Headquarters (2 Officers, 1 Political Officer)**

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Battery commander	Senior Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Military Commissioner	Political instructor	1	Pistol	1
Deputy Battery commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Total, all ranks		3		

Two Gun Platoons, each (1 Officer, 14 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Two Squads, each				
Gun commander	Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Deputy commander – Gunner	Junior Sergeant	1		
Gun number	Private	4	Carbine	4
Driver	Private	1	Carbine	1
			45-mm gun	1
			2.5-ton truck	1
Total, all ranks		15		

Mortar Battery (4 Officers, 39 men)**Battery Headquarters (1 Officer, 1 Political Officer, 5 men)**

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Battery commander	Senior Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Military Commissioner	Political instructor	1	Pistol	1
<i>Starshina</i>	<i>Starshina</i>	1	Carbine	1
Scout	Private	1	Carbine	1
Telephonist	Private	2	Carbine	2
Driver	Private	1	Carbine	1
			1.5-ton truck	1
Total, all ranks		7		

Two Mortar Platoons, each (1 Officer, 17 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Driver	Private	2	Carbine	2
			1.5-ton truck	2
			<i>(crews, weapons, ammunition)</i>	
Three Squads, each				
Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Deputy commander – Gunner	Junior Sergeant	1	82-mm mortar	1
Mortar number	Private	3	Carbine	3
Total, all ranks		18		

Service Company (7 Officers, 71 men)

Company Headquarters (2 Officers, 1 Political Officer, 1 man)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Company commander	Senior Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Political leader	Political instructor	1	Pistol	1
Deputy Company commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
<i>Starshina</i>	<i>Starshina</i>	1	Carbine	1
Total, all ranks		4		

Motor Transport Platoon (1 Officer, 44 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Lieutenant	1	Pistol	1
Four Squads (in total)				
Squad commander	Sergeant	4	Submachine gun	4
Driver	Private	1	Carbine	1
			Motor car	1
Driver	Private	31	Carbine	31
			1.5-ton truck <i>(for unit personnel)</i>	31
One Squad				
Squad commander	Sergeant	1	Submachine gun	1
Deputy storeman (POL supplies)	Private	1		
Driver	Private	6	Carbine	6
			1.5-ton truck <i>(equipment)</i>	2
			2.5-ton truck <i>(2 each for ammunition & fuel)</i>	4
Total, all ranks		45		

Repair Platoon (2 Officers, 11 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Military Technician (2 nd Grade)	1	Pistol	1
Machine Repair Squad				
Foreman	Senior Sergeant <i>(Technical Service)</i>	1	Carbine	1
Electrician	Sergeant <i>(Technical Service)</i>	1		
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Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Mechanic (fitter)	Private	2		
Driver-mechanic	Lance-corporal	1	Mobile workshop Type "A"	1
Driver	Private	1	1.5-ton truck (<i>spare parts</i>)	1
			Carbines*	2
Weapon Repair Squad				
Artillery Technician	Military Technician (2 nd Grade)	1	Pistol	1
Master Artillery Technician	Senior Sergeant (<i>Technical Service</i>)	1		
Master Armourer (machine gun)	Sergeant (<i>Technical Service</i>)	1		
Master Chemist	Sergeant (<i>Technical Service</i>)	1		
Radio Master	Sergeant (<i>Technical Service</i>)	1		
Driver	Private	1	1.5-ton truck (<i>equipment and personnel</i>)	1
			Carbines*	2
Total, all ranks		13	*holders not specified	

Administrative Platoon (1 Officer, 15 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	Military Technician (2 nd Grade)	1	Pistol	1
Chief storeman	Sergeant (<i>Administrative Service</i>)	1		
Senior cook	Sergeant (<i>Administrative Service</i>)	3		
Cook	Private	3		
Shoemaker	Private	2		
Driver	Private	3	2.5-ton truck (<i>kitchen</i>)	3
			Kitchen trailer	3
Driver	Private	3	1.5-ton truck (<i>2 for rations, 1 for personnel</i>)	3
			Carbines*	7
Total, all ranks		16	*holders not specified	