



The paras landed in Italy Sept '43 at Taranto, and were quickly in action against their old foes, the fallschirmjager. Fighting in brigade strength and often attached to other divisions such as the 2<sup>nd</sup> NZ and 8<sup>th</sup> Indian Div, they also carried out drops on the Italian mainland, islands, southern France and Greece.

Where the paras are fighting under command of another division they will have extra support options from that unit.

**Platoon Force Rating**

Elite: +5

**Command Dice: 5**

PLATOON HEADQUARTERS	
Lieutenant, <i>Senior Leader</i> , Thompson SMG	
Sergeant, <i>Senior Leader</i> , Thompson SMG	
SECTIONS 1 TO 3	
Sergeant, <i>Superior Junior Leader</i> , Thompson SMG	
LMG Team	Rifle Team
Bren gun, 3 crew	1 man with rifle and 2" mortar 1 man with sniper rifle 4 men with rifles

**Superior Junior Leaders:**

Can activate on a 3 with 2 initiatives, or on a 4 with 3 initiatives.

**2" mortars and sniper rifles:**

The 2" mortar was a section weapon in the airborne, under control of the section commander. The JL may use one command initiative to order a man to fire a smoke round, exactly like a dedicated 2" mortar team would. No HE rounds are available, as the section was issued rifle grenades for this.

Any section can also field one of its men as a sniper. If so, they act just like a normal sniper and can either deploy on their own on a 1, or on a 2 with their section.



SUPPORT LIST	
LIST ONE	
Gammon Bomb	
Medical Orderly	
Engineer Mine Clearance Team, 3 men	
Engineer Wire Cutting Team, 3 men	
Engineer Demolition Team, 3 men	
Minefield	
Barbed Wire	
Adjutant	
Jeep, no crew	
Entrenchments for one Team	
LIST TWO	
Roadblock	
PIAT Team, 2 men	
Pre-Game Barrage	
LIST THREE	
Engineer Flamethrower Team, 3 men	
LIST FOUR	
Forward Observer Team with 3" mortar battery off-table	
Engineer Section with Junior Leader	
6 pdr Anti-tank gun with 5 crew, Junior Leader	
20mm Polsten AA gun	
Vickers SFMG, 5 crew	
LIST FIVE	
Airborne section	

Below is the additional support available when attached to 2<sup>nd</sup> NZ Div (Blue) and 8<sup>th</sup> Indian Infantry Division (Red)

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT LIST	
LIST TWO	
Pre-Game Barrage	
Pre-Game Barrage	
LIST FOUR	
Stuart Recce	
LIST FIVE	
M5 Stuart light tank	
Staghound Mk I or Mk II	
Staghound Mk I or Mk II	
LIST SEVEN	
M4 Sherman	
17-pounder AT gun, 5 crew plus JL	
17-pounder AT gun, 5 crew plus JL	

## BRITISH NATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

### FIVE ROUNDS RAPID!

The British soldier is taught to love his rifle and the mantra that delivery of fast, accurate fire is the key to success.

When a Leader is attached to a rifle *Team* and uses two or more *Command Initiatives* to activate that *Team*, he may add that many D6 to the *Team's* firing dice to reflect his controlling their rapid fire.

### CONCENTRATED FIRE

The Bren gun was a reliable and popular weapon, but in truth it was too accurate to be an ideal light support weapon. As a result the British used its accuracy to good effect by concentrating their fire on a specific target and, effectively, sniping with the light machine gun.

When a Leader is attached to a Bren *Team* and uses two *Command Initiatives*, the *Team* may focus their fire against one enemy *Team*, even when other *Teams* are present within 4" of the target.

## NATIONAL ARSENAL TABLE

### ARMoured VEHICLES

VEHICLE	ARMOUR	A.P.	H.E.	SPEED	NOTES
Sherman	7	7	6	Fast	Hull and coax MG, Ronson, Fast turret

### SCOUT & ARMoured CARS

Stuart Recce	4	-	-	Fast	Hull and pintle MG, Low profile, Open turret
Stuart	4	5	3	Fast	Hull and coax MG
Staghound Mk I	3	5	3	Wheeled	Hull and coax MG
Staghound Mk II	3	3	6	Wheeled	Coax MG

### ANTI TANK GUNS

ANTI TANK WEAPON	A.P.	H.E.
20mm AA Polsten Gun	4	6 (fires as small arms)
6pdr	7	4
17pdr	12	5

### INFANTRY ANTI TANK WEAPONS

WEAPON	0-6"	6-9"	9-18"	18-24"	24-36"	H.E.
PIAT	7		7		7	2