

# CHAIN OF COMMAND



## Mid War Hungarians (Hungary 1941-42)

Despite a proud military tradition, Hungary was ill-equipped for waging a war, having had to beg their German allies for necessary equipment, and by 1942, having had to purchase German armour to strengthen their forces.

### THE PUSKÁS (RIFLE) PLATOON

A Regular force could represent the well-trained, core contingent of the army in the early months of Hungarian participation, or in the later months it could include conscripts that have survived long enough to gain some experience.

A Green force may represent soldiers rushed into combat with insufficient training due to the rapid expansion of the army or a force demoralised due to undersupply or exhaustion.

#### PLATOON FORCE RATING:

Regular: 0  
Green: -5

Command Dice: 5 for Regular, 4 for Green

PLATOON HEADQUARTERS	
Hadnagy (2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt), <i>Senior Leader</i> with pistol	
Főtörzsőrmester (Platoon Sergeant), <i>Senior Leader</i> with Danuvia 39M SMG	

SQUADS ONE TO THREE	
Tizedes (Corporal), <i>Junior Leader</i> with Danuvia 39M SMG	
LMG TEAM	RIFLE TEAM
31M Solothurn Golyószóró magazine fed LMG with 2 crew 2 riflemen	8 riflemen

### THE HUSZÁR (LIGHT CAVALRY) PLATOON

Descended from Magyar horsemen, the Huszár were Hungary's elite cavalry for hundreds of years.

They had a reputation for being dashing and daring, demonstrating that victories could be achieved by skill and guile, rather than solely through force of arms.

Cavalry normally deploy on foot for action, but may elect to operate mounted on their horses at no additional point cost. Rules for Horse Mounted Troops can be found in the Chain of Command: Blitzkrieg 1940 supplement (page 16).

#### PLATOON FORCE RATING:

Regular: 0  
Elite: +5

Command Dice: 5 for Regular, 5+1 red dice for Elite

PLATOON HEADQUARTERS	
Hadnagy (2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt), <i>Senior Leader</i> with pistol	
Főtörzsőrmester (Platoon Sergeant), <i>Senior Leader</i> with rifle or Danuvia 39M SMG	

SQUADS ONE TO THREE	
Tizedes (Corporal), <i>Junior Leader</i> with Danuvia 39M SMG	
LMG TEAM	RIFLE TEAM
31M Solothurn Golyószóró magazine fed LMG with 2 crew 2 riflemen	8 riflemen

**Special Rule:** Elite Huszár Cavalry are Aggressive troops.

### GYUMIHUSZÁROK BICYCLE PLATOON

The Gyorshadtest (Rapid Corps) was established to be a modern, mobile and well-equipped strategic unit, containing a number of bicycle infantry battalions, also known as Gumihuszárok ('rubber hussars').

This platoon is organised as the Rifle Platoon, and may deploy on foot or use some or all of its bicycles at no cost. Rules for Bicycle Mounted Troops can be found in the Chain of Command: Blitzkrieg 1940 supplement (page 15).

## HUNGARIAN NATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

### ELITE OFFICERS

The Hungarian Army had highly trained officers, backed by the cultural and military heritage of being the bulwark of Christendom against invasions from the East for many hundreds of years.

To represent this, when an officer uses two command initiatives to remove shock from a *Team* that they are attached to, they may choose to remove an additional point of shock.

### LEGACY OF THE HUSSARS

The mounted Hussars were considered reckless, almost fearless warriors, renowned for harassing enemy skirmishers and overrunning artillery positions.

To represent this, mounted Hungarian Cavalry move an extra 1" when moving normally or an extra 2" when moving 'At the Double' (extra movement is in total, not per die).

### HUNGARIAN SUPPORT LIST

#### LIST ONE

- Adjutant
- Barbed wire
- Entrenchments for one *Team*
- Kubelwagen, no gun or crew
- Medical Orderly
- Minefield
- Satchel Charge
- Utász (Engineer) Demolition *Team*, 3 men
- Utász (Engineer) Mine Clearance *Team*, 3 men
- Utász (Engineer) Wire Cutting *Team*, 3 men

#### LIST TWO

- 20mm 36M Solothurn Anti-Tank Rifle *Team*, 2 crew
- 50mm 39M Gránátveto mortar *Team*, 2 crew
- Pre-game barrage
- Roadblock

#### LIST THREE

- 35M Fiat Ansaldo Tankette with *Junior Leader*
- 37mm 36M (PaK 36) Anti-Tank gun with *Junior Leader*
- 38M Toldi I with *Junior Leader*
- 38M Toldi II with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)
- 47mm 36M (FRC 1931) Anti-Tank gun with 5 crew and *Junior Leader*
- Flamethrower *Team*, 3 men
- Panzer I B (1942 only)
- Sniper *Team*

#### LIST FOUR

- 38M Toldi IIA with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)
- 39M Csaba Armoured Car with *Junior Leader*
- 40M Turán I with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)
- 40mm 36M Bofors AA gun with 5 crew and *Junior Leader*
- 50mm 38M (PaK 38) Anti-Tank gun with 5 crew and *Junior Leader*
- Forward Observer and 81mm mortar battery
- Regular cavalry or rifle squad with *Junior Leader*
- Schwarzlose 7/31M MMG with 5 crew
- Utász (Engineer) Squad with *Junior Leader*

#### LIST FIVE

- 40M Nimród AA with *Junior Leader*
- 75mm 40M (PaK 40) Anti-Tank gun with 5 crew and *Junior Leader*
- Panzer 35(t) with *Junior Leader*
- Panzer 38(t) with *Junior Leader*

#### LIST SIX

- 80mm L45 M29/38 AA gun with 5 crew and *Junior Leader*
- Elite Cavalry Squad with *Junior Leader*
- Marder II with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)
- Panzer II F with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)
- Panzer III N with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)

#### LIST SEVEN

- Panzer IV F2 with *Junior Leader* (1942 only)

## SUPPORT OPTIONS

### SATCHEL CHARGE

The satchel charge is shown on Table Seven, *Hand-Held Anti-Tank Weapons*. The charge may be used once by any *Squad* on the table when commanded by the *Senior Leader* commanding the platoon who is, we assume, carrying it with him up to that point.

How the charge works is detailed in Section 9.3.4, *Tank Hunters*. A maximum of two satchel charges may be selected by a Hungarian force.

### TWIN MACHINE GUNS

The twin machine guns on the Panzer I and 35M Fiat Ansaldo fire with a firepower factor of 8 to represent the enhanced potency.

### 50MM MORTAR TEAM

The 50mm mortar has no smoke rounds and only fires High Explosive ammunition. It has a minimum range of 12", but closer than that the crew may use their rifles.

## HUNGARIAN ARSENAL

### ARMOURED VEHICLES

VEHICLE	ARMOUR	A.P.	H.E.	SPEED	NOTES	SUPPORT LIST
35M Fiat Ansaldo	2	-	Twin MG	Average	Small, Low profile, No turret	3
38M Toldi I	3	3	1	Fast	Co-ax MG only	3
38M Toldi II	4	3	1	Fast	Co-ax MG only	3
38M Toldi IIa	4	4	2	Fast	Co-ax MG only	4
40M Nimród AA	4	5	7	Fast	Open top	5
40M Turán I	5	4	2	Fast	Hull and co-ax MG	4
Marder II	3	9	5	Average	Hull MG, Open Top	6
Panzer 35(t)	4	5	3	Average	Hull and co-ax MG	5
Panzer 38(t)	5	5	3	Average	Hull and co-ax MG	5
Panzer I B	3	-	Twin MG	Average	Low profile	3
Panzer II F	5	4	6	Average	20mm Autocannon, Co-ax MG	6
Panzer III N	6	5	6	Average	Hull and co-ax MG	6
Panzer IV F2	6	8	5	Average	Hull and co-ax MG	7

### SCOUT & ARMOURED CARS

VEHICLE	ARMOUR	A.P.	H.E.	SPEED	NOTES	SUPPORT LIST
39M Csaba	2	3	4	Average	Turret MG only	4

### ANTI-TANK GUNS

ANTI-TANK WEAPONS	A.P.	H.E.	SUPPORT LIST
20mm 36M Solothurn AT rifle	3	1	2
37mm 36M (PaK 36) AT gun	5	3	3
40mm 36M Bofors AA gun	5	7	4
47mm 36M (FRC 1931) AT gun	5	4	3
50mm 38M (PaK 38) AT gun	7	4	4
75mm 40M (PaK 40) AT gun	9	5	5
80mm L45 M29/38 AA gun	10	7	6