

ABBREVIATIONS AND MILITARY TERMS USED IN THE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

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(*) indicates further description at end of the appendix. Explanatory footnotes are provided as they were in the original listing or in the US Army's *Order of Battle of the United States Land Forces in the World War*.

AA	Anti-Aircraft or Army Artillery
AAA	Anti-Aircraft Artillery
AAB	Anti-Aircraft Battery
AAS	Anti-Aircraft Service or Army Ambulance Service
AASC	Army Air Service Commander
AC	Army Corps or Air Corps
ACA	American Civil Administration
ACS	Army Candidates School or Aero Construction Squadron
AC of S	Acting (Assistant) Chief of Staff
ADC	Aide de Camp
Adj	Adjutant
Adm	Admitted (to hospital, etc)
AEC	American Embarkation Center ¹ or American Education Center (AEF University)
AEF	American Expeditionary Force(s)
AEFU	American Expeditionary Forces University
AF in F	American Forces in France ²
AF in G	American Forces in Germany ³
AG	Adjutant General
AGD	Adjutant General's Department
AGO	Adjutant General's Office
AIS	Army Infantry Specialists (School)
Amb	Ambulance
AMC	American Military Cemetery
A of O	Army of Occupation (in Germany)
APC	Air Production Center ⁴
APM	Assistant Provost Marshall
APO	American Post Office*
APOD	American Post Office Department
ARC	American Red Cross
ARCMH	American Red Cross Military Hospital
Arr	Arrived
Art	Artillery

¹ Established 3 Jan 1919 at Le Mans; disestablished 16 July 1919

² Created 22 Aug 1919 to function beginning 1 September 1919 in place of GHQ

³ 2 July 1919 the Third Army is deactivated and staff and troops remaining in Germany on and after 3 July 1919 were designated as AF in G.

⁴ Opened winter of 1917-1918 at Romorantin

AS	Advanced Section ⁵ or Air Service
ASC	Army Service Corps ⁶ or Air Service Camp
Asgd	Assigned
ASS, Fr. H	American Statistical Section, French Hospitals
ATM	Acting Town Mayor
ATS	Anti-Tetanic Serum (administered) or Army Transportation Service ⁷
AW	Articles of War
AWL	Absent with (official) Leave
AWOL	Absent without Official Leave
BAS	Battalion Aid Station or Brigade Ambulance Service
BEF	British Expeditionary Force(s)
BH	Base Hospital
Bn	Battalion
BORU	Bordeaux Overseas Replacement Unit
BR	Bedridden (Naval classification of patients received on Naval transports for the United States)
BS	Base Section (a geographical division of the SOS)*
BX	Bordeaux
CAC	Coast Artillery Corps
Cal.	Caliber
CAO	Chief Aviation Officer
CASC	Corps Air Service Commander
CAS	Chief, Air Service
CAM	Cerebro Spinal Meningitis
Cav.	Cavalry
CC	Casual Camp or Casual Company or Convalescent Center or Convalescent Camp or Company
C&C	Casualties and Changes (a record form of AGO)
C-in-C	Commander in Chief
CCO	Casual Camp, Orleans
CDH	Contagious Disease Hospital
CEO	Chief Engineer Officer
CFO	Casual from Command
C fr C	Casual from Command
CG	Commanding General
CGS	Chief, Gas Service
CH	Camp Hospital
Cl.	Colonial (French)
Class. Cp.	Classification Camp
Clf. Cp.	Classification Camp

⁵ Established 4 July 1917 with HQ at Nevers; 17 Sep 1917 HQ to is-sur-Tille; 1 Nov 1917 HQ to Neufchateau; 20 Jan 1918 HQ to Langres; 15 Jun 1918 HQ to Nogent-en-Bassigny; 23 Oct 1918 HQ to Neufchateau; 12 Jun 1919 HQ to Is-sur-Tille.

⁶ Established 22 Aug 1918, and furnished detachments for various special services in the AEF.

⁷ Established 18 Oct 1917 and combined with Transportation Service on 18 Dec 1917.

Cm.	Centimeter
CMT	Chief, Motor Transport
COC	Casual Officers' Camp
COD	Casual Officers' Depot ⁸
CO	Commanding Officer
CORD	Casual Officers' Replacement Depot
Conc. HC	Convalescent Hospital Center
C of S	Chief of Staff
CPO	Central Post Office
CPWE	Central Prisoner of War Enclosure
CQM	Chief Quartermaster
CRO	Central Records Office ⁹
CWS	Chemical Warfare Service ¹⁰
D	Duty
DAH	Disordered action of heart
DC	Dental Corps
DCD	Dismounted Cavalry Division
DCI	District Criminal Investigation
DCR	Division of Casualty Replacement
DD	Detached Duty or Depot Division*
Del.	Delivered
DG	Director General
DHQ	Division Headquarters
DI	Infantry Division (French)
Dis.Bks.	Disciplinary Barracks
D of P	District of Paris ¹¹
D of ST	Director of Storage and Traffic
DRC	Dental Reserve Corps or Daily Report of Changes
D of W	Died of Wounds
DWC	Duty with Command
E	East
EC	Engineer Corps or Embarkation Camp
ED	Extra Duty
EH	Evacuation Hospital
EM	Enlisted Man
Eng.	Engineers
Ent.	Entered (hospital or on record)
EO	Embarkation Order or Embarkation Office
EPD	Extra Police Duty

⁸ Opened at Blois, 18 Jan 1918 as a depot for classification and distribution of casual officers arriving from US, and from organizations in the AEF. Another COD was established at Gondrecourt on 22 Feb 1919.

⁹ Organized 20-21 May 1918 at St. Pierre-des-Corps. Moved to Tours 15 Sep 1918.

¹⁰ Created 28 June 1918 from the Gas Service.

¹¹ 6 May 1918 geographical boundaries defined as comprising Departments of the Seine and Seine-et-Oise.

ER	Expert Rifleman
FA	Field Artillery
FAS	First Aid Station
FC	Fracture, compound
FCC	Fracture, compound, comminuted
FH	Field Hospital
FM	Field Message
Fme.	Farm (French)
Fne.	Fountain or spring (French)
FO	Field Orders
Fr	French
Fr.	From
FS	Fracture, simple
FSR	Field Service Regulations
FUO	Fever of unknown origins
GAC	Group of Armees of Center (French)
GAE	Group of Armees of the East (French)
GAF	Group of Armees of Flanders (French)
GAN	Group of Armees of the North (French)
GAR	Group of Armees of Reserve (French)
GC	Group de Combat or combat group, fighting unit
GCM	General Court Martial
Gd. Co.	Guard Company
Gd. Div.	Grand Division, a railway operating unit of the Transportation Service
GH	Gas Hospital or General Hospital (in US)
GHQ	General Headquarters
GIA	Gassed in Action
GISD	General Intermediate Storage Depot (at Gievres)
GPA	General Purchasing Agent
GPC	German Prison Camp
GQG	Grand Quartier General (French GHQ)
GRS	Graves Registration Service
GS	General Staff or Gas Service
G-1	Administrative Section, General Staff
G-2	Intelligence Section, General Staff
G-3	Operations Section, General Staff
G-4	Supply Section, General Staff
G-5	Training Section, General Staff
GSW	Gunshot wound
H	Hour
HA	Hospital Ambulance
HC	Hospital Center
HE	High Explosive

HES	High Explosive Shell
HFA	Heavy Field Artillery (in orders)
HOE	Evacuation Hospital (French)
HT	Hospital Train
H Tr.	Hospital Train
IA	In action
ICT	Infected connective tissue (British)
IIB	Initial information blank
ILOD	In line of duty
Inf.	Infantry or infirmary or information
IS	Intermediate Section ¹² or Intelligence Section
ISD	Intermediate Salvage (or Storage) Depot
IWS	Infantry Weapons School
JAG	Judge Advocate General
JHG	Justice Hospital Group (Hospitals located in or near Justice Barracks, near Toul)
KIA	Killed in action
Km.	Kilometer – 1,000 meters
L	In line of duty
L Bn.	Labor Battalion
L of C	Line of Communication ¹³
LS	Liaison Service
M	Meter or Morphine (administered)
MC	Medical Corps or Marine Corps
Mar.Tr.Bn.	Marine Training Battalion
Mar.Tr.Rgt.	Marine Training Regiment
Med.	Medical
Med.Seg.Cp.	Medical Segregation Camp
Ment.	Mental (Naval classification of patients received on Naval transports for the US)
MG	Machine gun
MGB	Machine gun bullet
MG Bn	Machine gun battalion
MH	Mobile Hospital
Mil.	Military
Mil.Sp.Co.	Military Specialists Company
MIA	Missing in action
MM	Motor Mechanics or marksman
Mm.	Millimeter
MORS	Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop

¹² Created 13 Aug 1917 by territorial organization of Line of Communication with HQ at Nevers

¹³ Established 5 Jul 1917

MP	Military Police
MPC	Military Police Corps
MPES	Military Postal Express Service ¹⁴
MR	Monthly roster or muster roll
MR Bn	Marine Replacement Battalion
MRC	Medical Reserve Corps
MR Park	Motor Reception Park
MS Co.	Military Specialists Company
MSD	Motor Supply Depot
MSTU	Machine Shop Truck Unit
MTC	Motor Transport Corps ¹⁵
MTS	Motor Transport Service ¹⁶
N	North
NA	National Army
NASN	No Army Serial Number
NBH	Navy Base Hospital
NDR	No disability rating or notifiable disease reported
NG	National Guard
NSN	No Serial Number
NSR	No Service Record
NYD	Not yet diagnosed
O	Slight
O in C	Officer in Charge
OCE	Office of Chief Engineer
OLA	Over leave, absent
OR	Operations Report
Ord.	Ordnance
O & T	Observation and Training or Observation and Treatment
PA	Personal Adjutant (Statistical officers were so designated in GHQ GO#187, dated 25 Oct 1918)
PAL	Prisoner at Large
PC	Post of Command
PBH	Provisional Base Hospital
PBHU	Provisional Base Hospital Unit
PH	Post Hospital
PLM	Paris-Lyon-Mediterranee (Railway)
PMG	Provost Marshal General
POD	Post Office Department
Pont.Bks.	Pontanezen Barracks (near Brest)
PORR	Paris-Orleans Railroad

¹⁴ Created 9 May 1918 for handling official and personal mail for AEF, eventually operating 169 field and mobile post offices and railway mail service.

¹⁵ Established 11 Jul 1918 as a separate service of SOS (See MTS)

¹⁶ Established 8 Dec 1917 as a separate service under QMC. Included Service of Utilities 16 Feb 1918 Service of Utilities and 11 Jul 1918 Service of Utilities dissolved.

POW	Prisoner of War
Prov.	Provisional
PUO	Pyrexia unknown origin (Trench fever)
PW	Penetrating wound (British) or Prisoner of War
PWIB	Prisoners of War Information Bureau ¹⁷
QGA	Quartier General d'Armee (Army Headquarters)
R	Roster
RA	Regular Army
RC	Reserve Corps
RD	Replacement Depot ¹⁸
Rel.	Released
Repl.	Replacement
Reptd.	Reported
Rheu.	Rheumatism or rheumatic
RIO	Regimental Intelligence Officer
RMS	Railway Mail Service
RO	Regulating Officer/Office
Ros.	Roster
Rptd.	Reported
RR & C	Renting, Requisition and Claims (Service) ¹⁹
RRD	Regional Replacement Depot ²⁰
RR Op. Bn.	Railroad Operating Battalion
RSO	Regimental Special Order
RTO	Railway Transportation Officer/Office
S	Severe or South
SAA	Small Arms Ammunition
San.Tr.	Sanitary Train
SC	Signal Corps
SCD	Surgeon's Certificate of Disability
SD	Special Duty
Seg.	Segregation
SIW	Self-inflicted Wound
SO	Special Orders
SOP	Senior officer present.
SOR	Services of Rear ²¹
SOS	Services of Supply ²²
Sp.Tr.Bn.	Special Training Battalion
Stat.Sect.	Statistical Section

¹⁷ Established 1 July 1918

¹⁸ 1st RD was organized at St. Aignan 30 Dec 1918 to take the place of the 1st DD. It was abolished 9 Jul 1919.

¹⁹ Established 22 Apr 1918 under Service of Supply

²⁰ Established 15 Jan 1919 at Chelles, Toul and Revigny.

²¹ 16 Feb 1918, L of C is reorganized as Service of Rear (see Service of Supply).

²² Service of Rear is redesignated Services of Supply on 13 Mar 1918 and abolished 1 Sep 1919.

“S&S”	Stars and Stripes, official AEF newspaper ²³
St.	Saint (French)
Ste.	Sainte (French)
S of U	Service of Utilities ²⁴
SW	Shell wound
TB	Tuberculosis
TC	Transportation Corps or Tank Corps
TD	Transportation Department ²⁵
TFW	Temporary Foreign Warrant
TM Bty	Trench Mortar Battery
Tr., Trs.	Transferred
Trans.	Transferred
TS	Transportation Service ²⁶
TSST	Training School for Sanitary Troops
TTW	Through and through wound (British)
TW	Temporary Warrant
TY	Target Year
UD	Utilities Detachment
Unasgd.	Unassigned
USR	United States (Army) Reserve
USTP	United States Troops, Paris
VC	Veterinary Corps
VDG	Venereal disease, gonorrhea
VDH	Valvular disease of the heart
VDS	Venereal disease, syphilis
VLC	Venereal Labor Camp
Ven.Lab.Cp.	Venereal Labor Camp
VO	Verbal Orders
VOCOH	Verbal orders, Commanding Officer, Hospital
VRC	Veterinary Reserve Corps
WD	Walking, dressing (Naval classification for patients received on Naval transports for US) or War Department
WDB	War Damage Board ²⁷
WIA	Wounded in action
WND	Walking, no dressing (Naval classification for patients received on Naval transports for US)
WRI	War Risk Insurance

²³ Authorized 8 Feb 1918

²⁴ Established 16 Feb 1918 to include Transportation Dept, Motor Transport Service and Forestry Service; disbanded 11 Jul 1918.

²⁵ Established 14 Sep 1917

²⁶ Created 14 Sep 1917 as a separate service; included in Service of Utilities on 16 Feb 1918

²⁷ Established 19 Jan 1919 to evaluate damages caused by AEF in France. 1 Feb 1919 jurisdiction extended to Serbia, Romania, Greece, Italy, Great Britain and Belgium.

*Abbreviations with longer descriptions follow

American Post Office:

701	St. Nazaire	734	32nd Div
702	Paris	734-A	Champlitte
703	Gondrecourt	735	La Rochelle
704	La Valdahon	735-A	Rocheport
705	Bordeaux	736	Aix-les-Bains
705-A	Genicart	736-A	Annecy
705-B	Paulliac	736-B	Chanonix
706	Chaumont	737	Cosne
707	Mailly	738	Chateauroux
708	Nevers	739	77th Div.
709	26th Div.	740	3rd Div.
710	2nd Div.	741	Mehun
711	Coetquidan	742	82nd Div.
712	Is-sur-Tille	743	35th Div.
713	Gievres	744	28th Div.
713-A	Romorantin	745	5th Div.
714	Langres	746	4th Div.
715	42nd Div	747	Sorcy
716	Brest	748	27th Div.
717	Tours	749	30th Div.
718	Saumur	750	33rd Div.
719	Haussimont	751	Boulonge
720	Bourbonne-les-Baines	752	Marseille
721	Dijon	752-A	Hyeres
722	La Courtine	752-B	Cannes
723	Clermont-Ferrand	752-C	Monte Carlo
723-A	Chatel-Guyon	752-D	Menton
724	Issoudun	753	Limoges
725	St. Maixent	754	3rd A.C.
726	Blois	755	78th Div.
727	St. Aignan	756	80th Div.
728	Bar-sur-Aub	757	Nogent-en-Bassigny
729	1st Div.	758	Liffol-le-Grand
730	Chatillon-sur-Seine	759	1st A.C.
731	Neufchateau	760	Le Havre
731-A	Colombey-les-Belles	761	89th Div.
732	Vittel	762	Le Mans

²⁸ Created 7 Jan 1918 and charged with War Risk Insurance administration in American Expeditionary Force.

733	Angers	763	37th Div.
764	Epinal	905	84th Div.
765	29th Div.	906	87th Div.
766	92nd Div.	907	Bar-le-Duc
767	Nantes	908	Sougy
768	Cherbourg	909	Beaune
769	5th A.C.	910	Chateau-du-Loire
770	90th Div.	911	Libourne
771	79th Div.	912	34th Div.
772	Verneuil 772-A Decize	913	Bar-sur-Aube
773	St. Amand-Montrond	914	Les Souhesmes
774	1st Army Hq	915	Nancy
775	4th A.C.	916	86th Div.
776	91st Div.	917	Chatenay-sur-Seine
777	6th Div.	918	2nd Army
778	Le Courneau	919	Rimaucourt
779	Meaucon	920	Chalons-sur-Marne
780	Mars-sur-Allier	921	St. Dizier
781	Vichy	922	Angouleme
782	Cheateau-Thierry	923	Grenoble
783	6th A.C.	924	Le Blanc
784	Toul	925	Cour-Cheverny
785	Allerey	926	Autun
786	Clemecy	927	3rd Army Hq
788	6th D.D.	928	La Valbonne
790	4th D.D.	929	Joinville
791	81st Div.	930	Treves, Germany (Advance GHQ)
792	7th A.C.	931	8th A.C.
793	7th Div.	932	9th A.C.
794	Perigueux	933	Nice
795	88th Div.	934	Coblenz, Germany
796	36th Div.	935	Vannes
797	Orleans	936	Thionville
798	Mesves-sur-Loire	937	Pau
799	St. Malo	938	83rd Div.
827	31st Div.	939	Savenay
828	38th Div.	940	Rennes
831	8th Div.	946	Berlin, Germany
902	Bourges	947	Le Fayet St. Gervais le Bains
903	Vitrey	951	Luxembourg
904	39th Div.	953	Poitiers

Base Sections:

- BS#1: Organized as Base Port #1 on 21 Jun 1917 and designated BS#1 on 13 Aug 1917. Headquartered at St. Nazaire
- BS#2: Organized 8 Sep 1917. Headquartered at Bordeaux.
- BS#3: Organized 13 Aug 1917. Headquartered at Le Havre. Redesignated 27 Nov 1917 at BS#4
- BS#4: See above
- BS#5: Organized 10 Nov 1917. Headquartered at Brest.
- BS#6: Organized 30 May 1918. Headquartered at Marseille
- BS#7: Organized 28 Jun 1918 from a part of BS#2. Headquartered at La Pallice.
- BS#8: Organized 11 Oct 1918. Headquartered at Padua, Italy.
- BS#9: Organized 8 Apr 1919. Headquartered at Antwerp, Belgium.

Depot Divisions:

- 1st DD: 41st Div was Replacement Division, 1st Corps from 20 Dec 1917 to 14 Jan 1918 at La Courtine; Base and Training Division, 1st Corps from 15 Jan to 4 Mar 1918; Depot Division, 1st Corps from 5 Mar to 12 Jul 1918, and also served as replacement division for the entire AEF from 11 April to early August 1918; 1st Depot Division, AEF from 13 July to 26 Dec 1918. On 15 Jan 1918 activities were transferred from La Courtine to the St. Aignan-Noyers area. (See 1st RD).
- 2nd DD: 83rd Division was so designated and concentrated in the Le Mans area on 30 Jul 1918; relieved by the American Embarkation Center 15-31 Dec 1918.
- 3rd DD: 76th Division was 3rd DD from 3 Aug to 7 Nov 1918, and located in the St. Amand-Mont-Rond Area.
- 4th DD: 85th Division was so designated 28 Jul 1918 and moved to the area of Pouilly-sur-Loire, Sancere, and Cosne; from 14 Aug to 29 Oct 1918 served as Depot Division, Intermediate Section, and from 30 Oct 1918 to 12 Jan 1919 was Regional Replacement Depot, Second Army in Toul Area.
- 5th DD: 35th Division was so designated 14 Aug 1918 and moved to the Charost and Mehun-sur-Yevre Area southwest of Bourges; relieved 19 Oct 1918.
- 6th DD: 40th Division was so designated 16 Aug 1918 and moved to La Guerche-sur-l'Aubois and vicinity; 4 Nov 1918 moved to Revigny and vicinity; relieved 4 Dec 1918.