

How many batteries are in a Paladin battalion?

Paladin battalions organized under the Force XXI series table of organization and equipment transition to a four battery per battalion configuration. The battalion consists of a headquarters, headquarters and service (HHS) battery and three firing batteries (Figure 1-3).

Should a Paladin be a platoon or a battery?

The normal platoon configuration is one POC controlling three howitzers. The advantages to positioning Paladins as a platoon versus a battery are as follows: Provides dual mission capability (multiple missions). Better leader ratio (gunnery and platoon sergeants, platoon leaders). Increased survivability (more dispersed).

How does a Paladin battalion manage a battery?

The Paladin battalion must organize the ammunition platoon to operate efficiently and routinely. The battery ammunition PLSs are managed at the battalion level. A section of three PLSs remain habitually dedicated to each battery to facilitate command and control. The same section should resupply the same battery as often as possible.

How many platoons are in a Paladin firing battery?

The Paladin firing battery (Figure 1-2) consists of a battery headquarters and two firing platoons. Each firing platoon consists of a platoon headquarters section, a platoon operations center (POC) comprised of fire direction center (FDC) section personnel, three firing sections, and an ammunition section. Figure 1-2.

How many POCs are in a Paladin firing battery?

3-24. Battery operations are defined as one POC controlling all six howitzers in an area that is approximately 3,000 X 3,000 meters. The Paladin firing battery normally operates with two firing platoons. However, the BC may designate one POC to control all six howitzers to meet mission requirements.

What weapons do Paladins use?

Defensive weapons available to the Paladin battery include direct fire by the howitzers (see TM 9-2350-314-10, Chapter 2), .50 caliber machine guns, M60 machine guns, MK 19 grenade launchers, M18-series mines, light antitank weapons, and 5.56-mm rifles. Artillery fires are a key element of battery's defensive planning.

FM 3-09.70 is written for the Paladin battery and platoon, as well as for the battalion commander and staff. It is designed to be used in conjunction with the appropriate FM 6-series, FM 71-3,

Significant improvements in the Paladin's reliability, availability, maintainability (RAM) and survivability/vulnerability upgrades allow Paladin batteries to be positioned within close...

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