

# Glossary

AAA	Antiaircraft artillery
AAF	Army Air Forces
AAR	After action report
Abn	Airborne
ACIGS	Assistant Chief, Imperial General Staff
Admin	Administrative
ADSEC	Advance Section
AEAF	Allied Expeditionary Air Force
AEF	Allied Expeditionary Force
AF	Air Force
AFA	American Forces in Action
AGF	Army Ground Forces
AGp	Army Group
AGWAR	Adjutant General, War Department
Ammo	Ammunition
ANCXF	Allied Naval Commander Expeditionary Force
<i>Anlage(n)</i>	Appendix or annex
ANVIL	The plan for the Allied invasion of southern France
Armd	Armored
Arty	Artillery
Avn	Aviation
AW	Automatic weapons
BAOR	British Army Operations Records
BAR	Browning automatic rifle
BCT	Battalion combat team
Bd	Board
BLUECOAT	British Second Army attack south from Caumont, beginning on 29 July 1944
Bn	Battalion
Br	Branch; British
C	Combat
Cav	Cavalry
CB	Combat battalion
CCA	Combat Command A
CCB	Combat Command B
CCR	Combat Command R
CCS	Combined Chiefs of Staff
CG	Commanding General
CI	Combat Interviews

CIGS  
CinC  
Circ  
Cml  
CO  
Co  
COBRA

CofS  
Comd  
Comdr  
COMZ  
Conf  
Contl  
COSSAC

CP  
CROSSBOW

Dept  
Dir  
Div  
Doc  
DRAGOON

DSC  
ECB  
Engr  
ESB  
Est  
ETHINT

ETOUSA

EUCOM  
FA  
FFI

*Flak*  
Fld  
FO

*Chief, Imperial General Staff*

Commander in Chief

Circulation

Chemical

Commanding Officer

Company

First Army plan and operation to penetrate the German defenses in the Cotentin by the combination of concentrated power on the ground and overwhelming bombardment from the air; the breakthrough starting 25 July

Chief of Staff

Command

Commander

Communications Zone

Conference

Control

Chief of Staff to the Supreme Allied Commander (designate)

Command post

The Allied air attacks by heavy bombers on the launching sites for the German V-1 weapons

Department

Directive

Division

Document

The plan for the Allied invasion of southern France, code name that replaced ANVIL

Distinguished Service Cross

Engineer combat battalion

Engineer

Engineer special brigade

Estimate

European Theater Historical Interview of former German military personnel

European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army

European Command

Field artillery

*Forces Françaises de l'Intérieur* (French Forces of the Interior)

Antiaircraft

Field

Field Order

## FORTITUDE

Allied deception operations designed to convince the Germans of an invasion of western Europe in the Pas-de-Calais area

## FUSA

First U.S. Army

## G-1

Personnel section of division or higher staff

## G-2

Intelligence section of division or higher staff

## G-3

Operations section of division or higher staff

## G-4

Logistics and Supply section of division or higher staff

## Gen

General

## GOODWOOD

British Second Army plan and operation, south of Caen, 18 July 1944

## Gp

Group

## HE

High-explosive

## Hist

Historical

## Hosp

Hospital

## Hq

Headquarters

## IG

Inspector General

## Immed

Immediate

## Incl

Inclosure

## Inf

Infantry

## Info

Information

## Instr

Instruction

## Intel

Intelligence

## Interv

Interview

## I.S.I.S.

Inter-Service Information Series

## Jnl

Journal

## JPS

Joint Staff Planners

## Jt

Joint

## King Tigers

German heavy tanks

## KTB

*Kriegstagebuch* (war diary)

## Ltr

Letter

## LVT (1)

Landing Vehicle, Tracked, Unarmored (Mark I) "Alligator"

## MC

Medical Corps

## Mecz

Mechanized

## Mil

Military

## Min

Minutes

## MIRS

Military Intelligence Research Section

## MLR

Main line of resistance

## Msg

Message

## Mtg

Meeting

## NCWTF

Naval Commander Western Task Force

*Nebelwerfer*

Rocket projector or chemical mortar

NEPTUNE

OB WEST

*Oberbefehlshaber West**Oberster Befehlshaber  
der Deutschen  
Wehrmacht*

Objs

Obs

OCMH

OKH

OKL

OKM

OKW

OMAHA

ONI

OP

Opn (s)

Ord

OVERLORD

Panther

*Panzerfaust*

Per

Plng

POL

Prog

PS

PWI

*Pz*

QMG

RAF

Rcd

RCT

Recon

Regt

Rev

The plan for the invasion of western Europe, used for security reasons after September 1943 in place of OVERLORD

*Oberbefehlshaber West*

Highest ground headquarters of the Western Front

Supreme Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces

Objectives

Observation

Office of the Chief of Military History

*Oberkommando des Heeres* (Army High Command)*Oberkommando der Luftwaffe* (Air Force High Command)*Oberkommando der Kriegsmarine* (Navy High Command)*Oberkommando der Wehrmacht* (Armed Forces High Command)

The Normandy beach assaulted by the U.S. V Corps on 6 June 1944

Office of Naval Intelligence

Observation post

Operation (s)

Ordnance

Plan for the invasion of western Europe in 1944 designed to secure for the Allies the lodgment area bounded by the Seine, Eure, and Loire Rivers

German Mark V tank

Recoilless German antitank rocket, hand-carried

Periodic

Planning

Petrol, oil, and lubricants

Progress

Planning staff

Prisoner of war interrogation

*Panzer*

Quartermaster General

Royal Air Force

Record

Regimental combat team

Reconnaissance

Regiment

Revised

Rhinos

Rpt

S-3

SC

SCAEF

SCR

Sec

Secy

Serv

SGS

SHAEF

Sig

Sitrep

SOP

SP

Spec

Sq

SS

TAC

TD

Tel

Telecon

Telg

TF

Tiger

Tk

TOTALIZE

TSFET

TUSA

USAF

USAFET

USFET

USSAFE

USSTAF

UTAH

V-1

V-2

VHF

*Waffen SS**Wehrmacht**Wehrmachtbefehlshaber**Werfer*Rhinoceros attachments to cut hedgerows  
ReportOperations and training section of a unit  
not having a general staff

Supreme Commander

Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary  
Force

Signal Corps radio

Section

Secretary

Service

Secretary, General Staff

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expedition-  
ary Force

Signal

Situation report

Standing operating procedure

Self-propelled

Special

Squadron

*Shutzstaffel* (Elite Guard)

Tactical Air Command

Tank destroyer

Telephone

Telephone conversation

Telegram

Task force

German Mark VI (heavy tank)

Tank

First Canadian Army attack toward Falaise,  
8 August 1944

Theater Service Forces European Theater

Third U.S. Army

U.S. Air Force

U.S. Army Forces, European Theater

U.S. Forces in the European Theater

U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe

U.S. Strategic Air Forces

The Normandy beach assaulted by the U.S.  
VII Corps on 6 June 1944*Vergeltungswaffe* (Vengeance weapon)

Supersonic rockets

Very high frequency

Combat arm of the SS

Armed Forces

Armed Forces Commander

Mortar, rocket launcher

*WFS*

*Wehrmachtfuehrungsstab* (Armed Forces  
Operations Staff)


















WP

White phosphorus



# Basic Military Map Symbols\*

Symbols within a rectangle indicate a military unit, within a triangle an observation post, and within a circle a supply point.

## Military Units—Identification

Antiaircraft Artillery .....	
Armored Command .....	
Army Air Forces .....	
Artillery, except Antiaircraft and Coast Artillery .....	
Cavalry, Horse .....	
Cavalry, Mechanized .....	
Chemical Warfare Service .....	
Coast Artillery .....	
Engineers .....	
Infantry .....	
Medical Corps .....	
Ordnance Department .....	
Quartermaster Corps .....	
Signal Corps .....	
Tank Destroyer .....	
Transportation Corps .....	
Veterinary Corps .....	

Airborne units are designated by combining a gull wing symbol with the arm or service symbol:

Airborne Artillery .....	
Airborne Infantry .....	

\*For complete listing of symbols in use during the World War II period, see FM 21-30, dated October 1943, from which these are taken.







Size Symbols

The following symbols placed either in boundary lines or above the rectangle, triangle, or circle inclosing the identifying arm or service symbol indicate the size of military organization:


Squad .....	•
Section .....	••
Platoon .....	•••
Company, troop, battery, Air Force flight .....	
Battalion, cavalry squadron, or Air Force squadron .....	
Regiment or group; combat team (with abbreviation CT following identifying numeral) .....	
Brigade, Combat Command of Armored Division, or Air Force Wing .....	X
Division or Command of an Air Force .....	XX
Corps or Air Force .....	XXX
Army .....	XXXX
Group of Armies .....	XXXXX

EXAMPLES

The letter or number to the left of the symbol indicates the unit designation; that to the right, the designation of the parent unit to which it belongs. Letters or numbers above or below boundary lines designate the units separated by the lines:

Company A, 137th Infantry .....	A  137
8th Field Artillery Battalion .....	 8
Combat Command A, 1st Armored Division .....	A  1
Observation Post, 23d Infantry .....	 23
Command Post, 5th Infantry Division .....	 5
Boundary between 137th and 138th Infantry .....	 137 138

Weapons

Machine gun .....	
Gun .....	
Gun battery .....	
Howitzer or Mortar .....	
Tank .....	
Self-propelled gun .....	





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*Washington Command Post: The Operations Division*  
*Strategic Planning for Coalition Warfare: 1941–1942*  
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*Global Logistics and Strategy: 1940–1943*  
*Global Logistics and Strategy: 1943–1945*  
*The Army and Economic Mobilization*  
*The Army and Industrial Manpower*

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