

UNITED STATES NAVY UNDERWATER DEMOLITION TEAM (UDT)

Designation: Underwater Demolition Team † _____

1	Unit	Headquarters Platoon	4 Operating Platoons (ea)	Total
2	Lieutenant Commander, including	1		1
3	Commanding Officer	(1)		(1)
4	Lieutenant, including	1		1
5	Executive Officer	(1)		(1)
6	Lieutenant; Lieutenant, Junior Grade; or Ensign, including	1		1
7	Mine Disposal	(1)		(1)
8	Lieutenant, Junior Grade, including		1	4
9	Platoon Leader		(1)	(4)
10	Ensign, including	2	1	6
11	Boat Officer	(1)		(1)
12	Communications Officer	(1)		(1)
13	Platoon Leader, Assistant		(1)	(4)
14	TOTAL COMMISSIONED	5	2	13
15	Chief Petty Officer, including	2	1a	6
16	Master-at-Arms	(1)		(1)
17	Pharmacist's Mate	(1)		(1)
18	Petty Officer, 1st Class, including	(2b)4	6a	28
19	Photographer's Mate	(1)		(1)
20	Yeoman	(1)		(1)
21	Petty Officer, 2nd Class, including	(7b)11	6a	35
22	Motor Machinist's Mate	(2)		(2)
23	Photographer's Mate	(1)		(1)
24	Radioman	(1)		(1)
25	Petty Officer, 3rd Class, including	2	2a	10
26	Motor Machinist's Mate	(2)		(2)
27	Seaman, 1st Class	7b		7
28	Steward's Mate, 1st Class	1		1
29	TOTAL ENLISTED	27	15	87
30	AGGREGATE	32	17	100

Remarks:

† Insert number of team.

a Any rating.

b Boat operators. 1st and 2nd class petty officer boat operators of any rating.

UDT is transported to the operating area aboard a Navy High-Speed Transport (APD) and dispatched from the vessel to carry out the assigned mission. The APD carries four Landing Craft, Personnel, Ramp (LCPR) in davits.

Headquarters Platoon performs all command, administrative and supply functions. In addition, all communications personnel and boat crews are attached to this platoon.

Operating Platoons perform all reconnaissance and demolition work. Each operating platoon divides into three operating groups of five men each. These groups handle all reconnaissance and demolition work, each group operating from a rubber boat or directly from an LCPR or other landing boats. Consequently each Underwater Demolition Team can be broken down into twelve rubber boat crews.

This information extracted from "Transport Doctrine, Amphibious Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet", issued by Commander, Amphibious Forces, Pacific Fleet, 18 September 1944.