



# SEMOVENTE 75/34 SELF-PROPELLED GUN

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The first Italian self-propelled gun, the Semovente M41 da 75/18 based on the M14/41 medium tank, was introduced in late 1941. This provided the field artillery with both mobility and protection. Mounting the short-barrelled 75mm L/18 howitzer, it was used with great success in the Desert where it supported the medium tanks with accurate long-range fire.

The Semovente 75/34 was an improved design armed with a new 75/34 gun in a lengthened fighting compartment. Being based on the M15/42 hull, it had a more powerful engine, and was slightly longer.

The design was completed by late 1942 and Fiat Ansaldo began full-scale production in 1943. They had produced 190 by September 1943 when Italy surrendered.

## COMBAT SERVICE

With the British and Commonwealth forces pushed back across the border to El Alamein in Egypt, the Regio Esercito rushed early prototypes of the Semovente 75/34 to the desert to help deliver the final blow to the Allies. Mechanical problems with the new engine and the 75/34 gun mounting delayed large-scale deployment until the fighting retreat westward to Tunisia.

## DESIGN FEATURES

The semoventi are part of the artillery arm, the elite of the Italian Royal Army. Despite the small crew, the excellent range-finding capabilities of the Carro Comando combined with their artillery training enable them to score far more hits than their enemies would expect.



Semovente M42 da 75/34

The artillery crews of the semoventi are deadly accurate, even with their short-barrelled guns.

Range 32\*/80cm, Anti-tank 10, Artillery

## SELF-PROPELLED 75/34 PLATOON

The semoventi are the elite of the artillery arm, itself the elite of the Royal Army.

Self-propelled 75/34 Platoons are rated as **Artillery** for the 8-million Bayonets rule.

## REPLACING STANDARD EQUIPMENT

Any Italian company may replace any or all of its Self-propelled 75/18 Platoons with Self-propelled 75/34 Platoons.

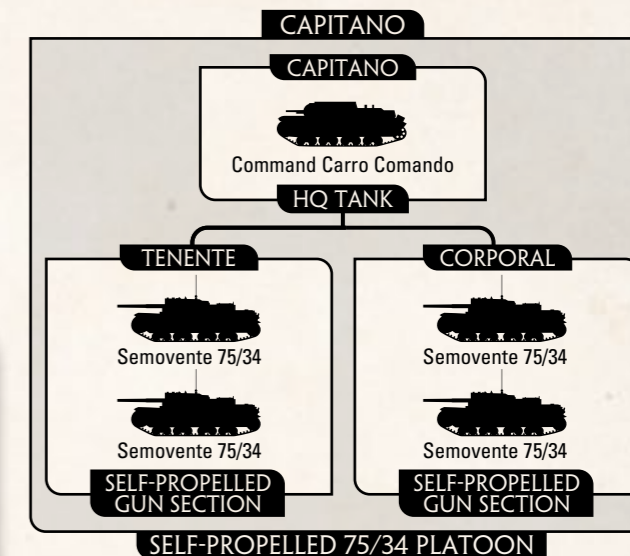
## PLATOON

- 1 Carro Comando with:
- 4 Semovente 75/34 ..... 385 points
- 3 Semovente 75/34 ..... 295 points
- 2 Semovente 75/34 ..... 205 points

## OPTIONS

Arm any or all Carro Comando and Semovente 75/34 with an AA MG for +5 points per vehicle.

Equip any or all Carro Comando and Semovente 75/34 with Improvised Armour for +5 points per vehicle.



The semoventi are the mobile artillery of the armoured divisions. Moving alongside the tanks, they are ready to engage any anti-tank guns the instant they fire. They are also useful against tanks that are too thickly armoured for the mediums to defeat.

Name	Mobility	Armour			Equipment and Notes
		Front	Side	Top	
Carro Comando	Standard Tank	4	2	1	

Weapon	Range	ROF	Anti-tank	Firepower	
13.2mm machine-gun	18*/40cm	3	3	5+	Hull mounted.

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## SEMOVENTE 75/34 SELF-PROPELLED GUN



Designation: Semovente da 75/34  
 Crew: 3 (cdr/gnr, ldr, dvr)  
 Weight: 30,201lb/13,700kg  
 Length: 18'4"/5.60m  
 Height: 6'10"/1.85m    Width: 8'1/2"/2.23m  
 Armament: 1x 75/34 gun,  
 optional 8mm Breda modello 38 machine-gun

Traverse: 20 degrees left and right  
 Armour Thickness: 15mm to 50mm  
 Engine: FIAT-SPA 15TB 8-cylinder petrol,  
 677cu in/11 litre, 185hp  
 Suspension: Semi-elliptic leaf spring  
 Maximum Speed: 24mph/39km/h  
 Road Radius: 143 miles/230km

## IN GERMAN SERVICE

After the fall of Italy, the Germans seized the Semovente 75/34 as the StuG M42. They had issued a total of 294 to German units by the end of 1944. In that year they served with six infantry divisions, two Panzer divisions, three Panzergrenadier divisions, one Fallschirmjäger division, and one Gebirgsdivision in Italy and the Balkans.

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