Scenario 38

THE FACTORY

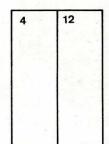


APRILIA SETTLEMENT, CENTRAL ITALY, February 11, 1944: As the initial expansion of the Allied beachhead at Anzio drew to a halt, the inevitable German counterattacks began. The main attacks concentrated on the Albano-Anzio highway around the village of Carroceto and the Aprilia farm settlement known to the Allies as "the factory". The factory finally fell to the Germans on the 9th after repeated attacks. Realizing the importance of this position and the threat it presented to the defense at Carroceto, the Allied command ordered a counterattack by the U.S. 45th Infantry Division.

Board Configuration

Rules Introduced: 160–161

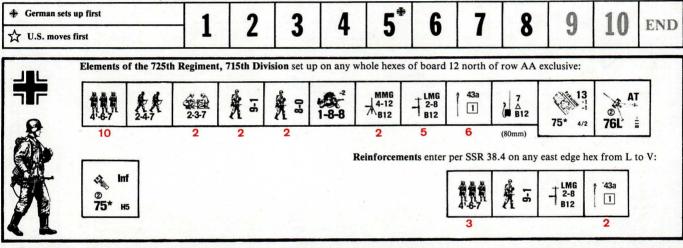
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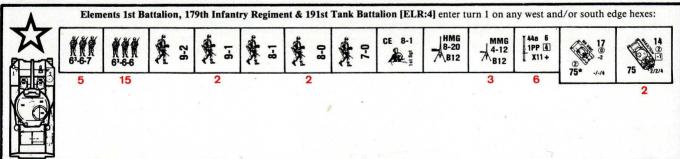


VICTORY CONDITIONS

The U.S. player must have sole control of six of the ten 2nd Level buildings at game end. Each rowhouse hex is considered a separate building for victory condition purposes. The German wins by avoiding the U.S. victory conditions.

TURN RECORD CHART





SPECIAL RULES

- **38.1** Rain (111.4) is falling on the first two game turns and each turn thereafter until a wind change $DR \ge 9$ is rolled. There is no wind at start. Once the rain stops, the weather reverts to clear.
- **38.2** All vehicular movement costs are doubled except along paved roads even after the rain stops.
- **38..3** The Germans have fortified (161) the ground level only of any three stone buildings on board 12. Each rowhouse hex is considered a separate building
- **38.4** The German player may bring on reinforcements during turn 5. If he chooses to do so the game length is extended to 10 turns.
- **38.5** Treat all gully hexes as Wadi hexes. Wadis function as anti-tank trenches (137.7) except that gully LOS rules and movement costs for infantry apply.
- **38.6** There is a modified 3rd level hex in 12U5. This 3rd level hex has a stacking capacity of one SW with one HS/crew or two SMC's. The 3rd level cannot be hit when firing on the building target type classification, but all hits by ordnance weapons vs infantry targets at that level are treated as HE CH's (109).

AFTERMATH: The assault was handicapped from the start by a heavy rain which forced the tank support to maneuver very slowly for fear of bogging down in the soft ground. Planned fire support also proved ineffective due to co-ordination problems with the British artillery observers. Without artillery support to soften the German positions which had been fortified during the intervening 24 hours, the men of the 179th failed to fully dislodge the defenders from the ruins of the settlement. By the end of the day, the Allies grudgingly cancelled all further attempts to retake the factory.