

# CHARGING CHAUMONT

ASL SCENARIO J123

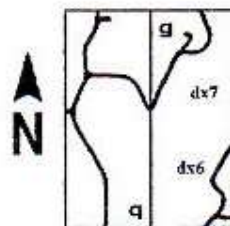
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**VICTORY CONDITIONS:** The Americans win at game end by Controlling building bE2.

**CHAUMONT, BELGIUM, 23 December 1944:** By the third day of Patton's drive to relieve Bastogne, stubborn resistance was being encountered. After a stiff engagement with the Fallschirmjäger-Division 5, Combat Command B of the 4th Armored Division, consisting of the 10th Armored Infantry Battalion and 8th Tank Battalion, was ordered to push into Chaumont in what amounted to a frontal attack.

## BOARD CONFIGURATION:



## BALANCE:

✱ Add one German dm MMG to the Turn 3 reinforcements.

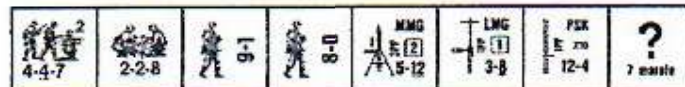
☆ Exchange the American 9-1 leader with a 9-2 leader.

## TURN RECORD CHART

✱ GERMAN Sets Up First	☆	1	2	3	4	5	6	END
☆ AMERICAN Moves First								



Elements of Fallschirmjäger-Division 5 (ELR: 3) setup on board b: {SAN: 4}



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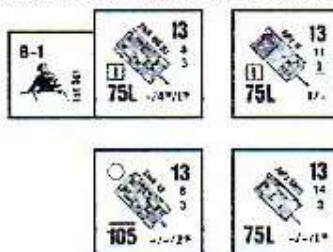


Elements of Fusilier-Regiment 39 and Sturmgeschütz-Brigade 11 enter on Turn 3 along either the south or the west edge:



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Before all setup, secretly select 2 of the following 4 groups to enter with the Turn 3 reinforcements:



Elements of 8th Tank and 10th Armored Infantry Battalions, Combat Command B, 4th Armored Division (ELR: 3) enter on Turn 1 along the north/east edge(s) of board g: {SAN: 3}



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Before all setup, secretly select 3 of the following 5 groups to enter with the Turn 1 forces:



(see SSR 4)

## SPECIAL RULES:

1. EC are Wet, with no wind at start. Weather is Mud (E3.6) (EXC: all roads exist and are Paved). All hedges are Barbed-Wire Fences (P3). Place overlays as follows: dx7 on gF3-F2; dx6 on g1.3-L4.
2. Kindling (B25.11) and Bare Sighting (C6.4) are NA.
3. AFV crews may not voluntarily Abandon (D5.4) their vehicles.
4. The M4 MT in the American OB is equipped with a Gyrostabilizer (D11.1).

**AFTERMATH:** Combat Command B fought its way into the center of town by mid-afternoon, but German commander Colonel Kokott immediately ordered a counterattack to retake the key road junction. With many of the 8th Battalion's tanks bogged in the soft ground just outside of town, the American infantrymen were deprived of their armored support, and were unable to hold Chaumont in the face of the German's determined assault. The 10th Armored Infantry Battalion was slowly pushed back out of town, losing 65 men in the process. The 8th Tank Battalion lost a total of eleven Shermans, which caused its commander, Major Albin Izzyk, to call the engagement at Chaumont "the bitterest fighting his battalion had encountered". There would be more in the days ahead for the 4th Armored Division.