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# The Battle of La Souffel 28 June 1815



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Please see the author's article in Wargames Illustrated Number 331 for the historical background to this scenaio.

Scale - this is a reduced scale scenario! Each stand averages 240 infantry, 120 horse or 4 to 6 cannon (sections or batteries). Ground scale is 80 yards per inch, while each turn is 20 minutes real time. Because of the way the data break points lie, the original AOE Quick Reference Sheet with all tables may be used without modification.

**Players.** This game is small enough for two players. Otherwise assign a player to each of the three Allied nationalities represented, and one to each French division.

**Terrain and Weather.** The gaming table is 8 feet wide and 6 feet deep, laid out as given. Weather is warm and clear all day. All streams are fordable, as is the River la Souffel, and afford a defender a +1 melee DRM if attacked entirely across stream. However, any unit that moves or charges across the River Souffel (except on bridges) is automatically Disordered Forests, villages and slopes are rough terrain for movement. Slopes afford the defender a +1 melee DRM if attacked entirely uphill. Forests and villages convey a -1/+1 DRM and +3/-3 DRM advantage respectively to the defender for fire and melee respectively. Cavalry is automatically Disordered attacking into forests, up slope or into villages. Road movement may be used on all major roads depicted. Secondary roads will not support the Road Movement rate, but will negate the movement terrain effects where the roads lie.

**Playing Time.** The game begins at 3:00 pm and ends after 16 game turns.

**Deployment.** Units set up per following map in Line, Supported Line or Masse. Leaders deploy within 12 inches of any unit they command. Gun stands may be deployed limbered or unlimbered within 12 inches of a leader in their chain of command.

Allied forces enter the game board on turn 1, automatically activated and in any formation within 6 inches of Points A (Austrian), B (Hessian-Darmstadt) or C (Wurttembourg). Forces that cannot enter the board due to space may enter the next turn, same location and also automatically activated for movement.

**Leaders.** Rapp is the only Charismatic leader in the game and has a +2 Initiative Rating. The Initiative rating for Eugene, Prince of Wurttembourg is -1.

**Infantry.** All Allied infantry is Columnar while all French Infantry is designated Impulse. Wurttembourg, Hessian-Darmstadt and French infantry are all Skirmish capable. Austrian infantry is not. The 10<sup>th</sup> Legere (3 stands) is entrenched in Lampertheim.

**Cavalry.** Cavalry may neither mount nor dismount in this scenario.

**Artillery.** All batteries have two functions. Neither side may form Grand Batteries.

**Reinforcements.** As an Optional Rule and for the cost of 5 Victory Points, the French player may bring on Berkheim's National Guard Division at Point D on turn 8 or later, automatically activated for movement.

**Special Rules.** Each small village will support 6 stands of occupying infantry and/or artillery. Mondolsheim and Souffelweyersheim will both support 9 stands.

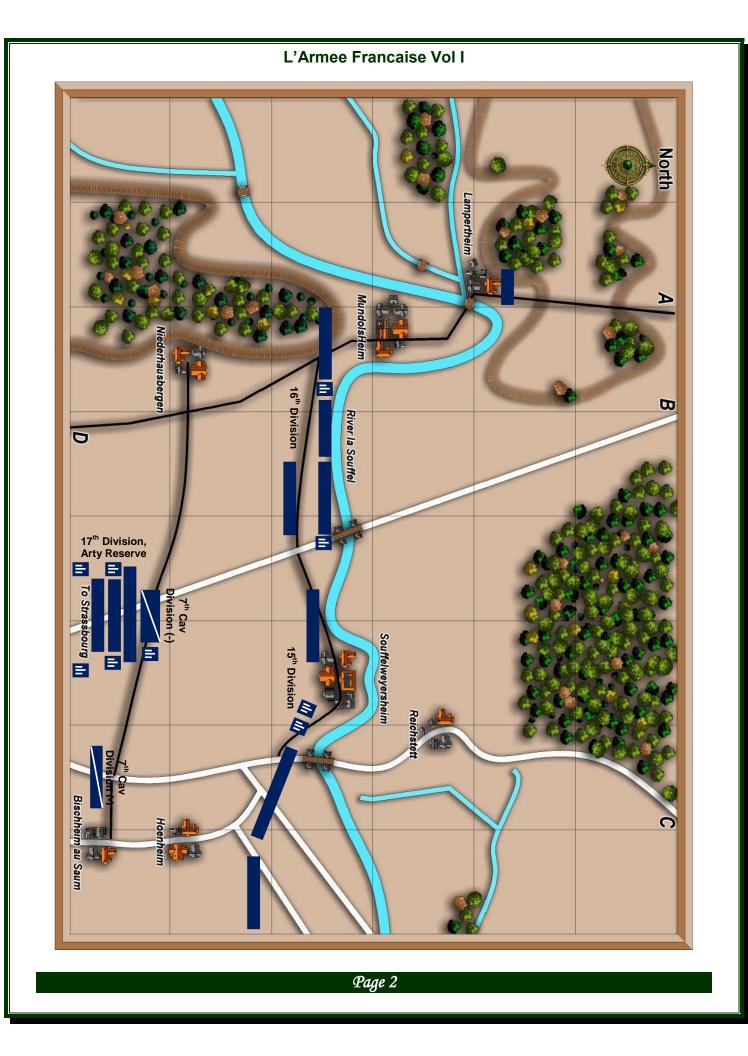
Optional Rule AOE 2d Edition Rules (to be published July 2015). As follows:

- Facing to the Flank is now a permitted formation change.
- Units using Reserve Movement may ignore all movement penalties (less prohibited terrain) for any terrain that lies within the current Reserve Zone.
- Infantry may charge cavalry that occupies rough terrain. Cavalry may not countercharge the infantry.
- Artillery shooting at Masse from any direction now automatically doubles its Fire Points.
- The turn after when either side has lost 25% of its cavalry, infantry or artillery stands, all units suffer an additional -2 DRM when rolling on the March Table for the rest of the game.

**Victory Conditions.** Determine victory using the Casualty Point Chart (Figure 6) on page 17 of AOE. The Allies also gain 5 Victory points for each foot or mounted unit that exits off board via the Road to Strassbourg.

**Sources.** See the author's article noted above.





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Order of Battle Labels and Order of Appearance

FRENCH Starting Forces France Rapp Rapp Rapp Rapp Rottmbrg Rottmbrg Rottmbrg Rottmbrg Rottmbrg St Cyr 40<sup>th</sup> Ligne R 8/6/4 Sk 39<sup>th</sup> Ligne Rottmbrg Rapp + 2 R R X Pouart R R Rhine (C) Artillery Hvy Arty Hvy Arty 15th R 8/6/4 Sk R12/9/6Sk Foot Arty Foot Arty XXX XXX XX • • Abert Abert Rapp Abert Abert Abert Abert Abert Pouart-52d, 104th Ligne Nempe-36<sup>th</sup>, 103d Ligne 57<sup>th</sup> Ligne 10<sup>th</sup> Legere 10<sup>th</sup> Legere 32d Ligne 18<sup>th</sup> Ligne R Abert R Grouval-2d, 7<sup>th</sup> Chasseurs 16th R 3/2/- Sk E 8/5/3 Sk R 6/5/3 Sk R 8/6/4 Sk R 8/6/4 Sk Foot Arty Foot Arty Rambourg-13<sup>th</sup> Chasseurs, ΧХ 11<sup>th</sup> Dragoons, 2d Hussars **Gd** Jean Gd Jean **Gd** Jean **Gd Jean Gd Jean** Merlin Merlin Merlin Rapp Rapp X Nempe 17<sup>th</sup> Ligne 58<sup>th</sup> Ligne Gd Jean R Merlin Grouval Ramburg R R Foot Arty 7<sup>th</sup> Cav Horse Arty R 12/9/6Sk R 8/6/4 Sk R 8/6/4 Sk Foot Arty R 6/5/3 Lt R 9/7/5 Lt 17th XX XX • **Optional Reinforcements** Berkheim Berkheim Berkheim Rapp Berkheim LABELS: Use Avery® White Shipping Labels # 5265. ABBREVIATIONS: XXX+-Armeekorps, XXX-Corps, XX-Berkheim 1<sup>st</sup> Bde 2d Bde R R Division, X-Brigade/Regt, C-Conscript, R-Regular, E-Elite, NationI Gd C 8/7/5 Sk C 8/7/5 Sk Foot Arty Foot Arty Lt-Light, Hvy-Heavy, Sk-Skirmish, (C)-Charismatic, IR-XX Infantry Regiment. MISCELLANEOUS: All infantry is 3 rank, all French Foot/Hvy arty stands have 4 guns, all others 6 guns. ALLIED **Starting Forces** Adam Allied Eugene Franqmnt Franqmnt Adam Adam Adam Jett-2d, 4<sup>th</sup> Mtd Jaegers Eugene -1 Adam Moltke R Frangmnt Jett Moltke-5<sup>th</sup> Mtd Wurttmbg R 8/6/4 Lt R 8/6/4 Lt **Hvy Arty** Cavalry Horse Arty **Horse Arty** Jaegers, 3d XX XXX+ XX Dragoons Koch Koch Koch Franqmnt Koch Franqmnt Doring Doring Doring Stokmyr C 6/5/4 Sk Koch Kirchberg Misani Lalance R Doring Hugel R R 12/9/6 Sk 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry C18/15/11Šk C12/10/7Sk C 6/5/4 Sk Foot Arty 25th Foot Arty XX XX Kirchberg-2d, 4th 5th IRs Misani-3d, 7th IRs Lalance-8<sup>th</sup> IR Stockmeyer- 6th IR Hugel-9th Jaegers, 10th Light, 11th Sharpshooter Eugene Palombini Palombini Palombini Palombini Palombini Palombini Palombini Palombini Zollich Kinsky Luxum R R R R E 12/8/5 Lt R 12/9/6 R 12/9/6 Hvy Arty Austrian Foot Arty Foot Arty Foot Arty ххх  $\succ$  $\succ$ Palombini Prz Emil Prz Emil Prz Emil Prz Emil Prz Emil Kinsky- Crown Prince of Wurttemburg Hussars Luxum-18th, 47th IRs Prz Emil Folnius Sall R R R Zollich-49th, 63d IRs Foot Arty Hessian C12/10/7Sk C 8/7/5 Sk Foot Arty Foot Arty Folenius-Leib Gd, ,Gd Fusilier, Erbgrossherzog IRs XX Sall-Prinz Emil, Leib IRs

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