

# ATS COI16: SOWCHOS 79 - ATS Conversion 10/09/2009



**Southern Russia, 8 Dec, 1942:** Following the encirclement of 6<sup>th</sup> Army at Stalingrad, the Germans launched a relief effort from their bridgehead at Nizhna Chirskaya, 25 miles from the nearest troops of the 6<sup>th</sup> Army at Marinovka. The Chir river was to provide the left flank for the operation and consequently had to be held. Attempting to foil the German relief effort, the Russian 5<sup>th</sup> Tank Army attacked across the Chir and forced its way past the left flank of the defending 336<sup>th</sup> Inf Div and on to Sowchos 79, a collective farm deep in the German rear. General Balck's 11<sup>th</sup> "Ghost" Panzer Div, just arriving in the area from Rostov to take part in the relief of Stalingrad was detoured to attack Sowchos 79 and restore the situation. Balck's 15<sup>th</sup> Pz Reg with 25 functioning AFVs followed by the 111<sup>th</sup> Pz Gren Reg drove from the heights west and north of Sowchos into the rear of the Russian Positions, destroying a motorized Infantry column in the process. Turning south, the panzers surprised the Russian armor, which was at that instant moving to attack the 336<sup>th</sup> Inf from the rear. Simultaneously, Balck's 11<sup>th</sup> Grenadiers attacked the farm from the southwest, while the divisional artillery of the 336<sup>th</sup> hammered the northeastern flank. By the end of the day, 53 Russian tanks were destroyed, Sowchos 79 was in German hands and the Russian 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Corps was in retreat, but the Ghost Division had been lost to the planned relief of Stalingrad. ATS on The Table - <http://www3.telus.net/public/larsent/>



Elements of Motorized Infantry Battalion setup first on whole hexes of board 3 between hex rows Y and L inclusive.

547	117	11*	MMG 1910	LMG	ATR
21	2	1	2	6	4

Elements of Motorized Infantry Brigade set up first along road hexes 4Y3 and 4GG6 inclusive, all infantry and support weapons are mounted on or towed by vehicles

547	117	LMG	YA12	HAT Pobr 43	Light Truck
8	2	3	4	1	5

Elements of 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Corps enter hex 3Q10 or any east edge hex south of 3Q10 on the turn indicated

T34-76C	KV1-S	KV1-42	T28	T34-76B	KV1-42
Turn 4	6	2	1	3	1

Turn 5

Turn 8



Elements of the 110<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Reg. set up on any whole hex on board 5

657	118	117	MMG MG34	LMG MG34	118 FO	Marder I	HAT Pak 40	Light Truck
9	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1

Elements of the 15<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment enter on Turn 1 along the west edge of board 2 between hex rows A and Q inclusive

Pz IVF2	Pz III L	Sd 233	Sd 251-9
5	3	1	1

Elements of the 111<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Reg. enter on turn 2 along the west edge of board 2 between hex rows A and Q inclusive

657	118	117	MMG MG34	LMG MG34	118 FO	HAT Pak 36r	Sd 251	Light Truck
5	1	2	1	2	1	1	5	1

## VICTORY CONDITIONS

The Germans win by being the last side to have occupied any 12 of the buildings between row L and V inclusive on board 3, provided they have accumulated at least twice as many Russian casualty victory points as they have lost of their own.

## SPECIAL SCENARIO RULES

1. Spotting conditions are average.
2. Each German FO can access one 105mm battery, both normal ammo.
3. The vehicle Road Movement bonus does not apply, i.e. the minimum cost to enter a road hex via a road hexside is 1 MP for all units.
4. The Germans have 2 elite tank commanders with the 15<sup>th</sup> Pz units.
5. The Germans have the initiative for the Fire/Movement segment on turn 1.
6. Rule 15.5 does not apply to Russian MA.

## TURN RECORD MARKER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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## BALANCE

On the Russian turn 5 reinforcements exchange a KV1-42 for a KV1-S.

Remove one German ETC from the German OOB.

## MAP LAYOUT

SL boards 2, 3, 4, 5

