

BELGIAN AIR UNITS, MAY 1, 1940

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Note: The Belgian system for designating their air squadrons was:

Squadron-Group-Regiment

Thus 1/I/1 meant 1st Squadron, 1st Group, 1st Regiment.

The Belgian Group was equivalent to the RAF wing; the regiment was equivalent to the RAF Group.

1st Air Regiment (Observation and Army Cooperation).

Unit	Aircraft	Total	Peace/War	Attached to
Ist Group				
1 st Squadron Mouette	Fairey Fox II/III	10	Deurne/Hingene	IV & V Army Corps
IInd Group				
3 rd Squadron Feuille de Houx	Fairey Fox II	12	Goetsenhoven/Glabeeek	II Army Corps
IIIrd Group				
5 th Squadron Hirondelle	Fairey Fox III	10	Goetsenhoven/Jeneffe	III Corps & Liege Fortress
IVth Group				
7 th Squadron Mephisto	Fairey Fox VI	9	Goetsenhoven/Lonzee	IV Corps & Namur Fortress
Vth Group				
9 th Squadron Sioux Bleu	Renard 31	11	Bierset/Wilderen	Cavalry Corps
VIth Group				
11 th Squadron Sioux Rouge	Renard 31	8	Bierset/Hannut	I Corps later VI Corps

2nd Air Regiment (Fighter).

Ist Group				
1 st Squadron La Comete	Gloster Gladiator	15	Schaffen/Beauchevain	
2 nd Squadron Le Chardon	Hawker Hurricane I	11	Schaffen/Beauchevain & Bevekom	
IInd Group				
3 rd Squadron Cocotte Rouge	Fiat CR 42	14	Nivelles/Brustem	
4 th Squadron Cocotte Blanche	Fiat CR 42	14	Nivelles/Brustem	
IIIrd Group				
5 th Squadron Aigle Bleu	Fairey Fox VI	15	Nivelles/Vissenaken	
6 th Squadron Aigle Rouge	Fairey Fox VI	15	Nivelles/Vissenaken	

3rd Air Regiment (Reconnaissance - Bomber)

Ist Group				
1 st Squadron Dragon Dore	Fairey Fox III	15	Evere/Neerhespen	
3 rd Squadron Dragon Argente	Fairey Fox III	15	Evere/Neerhespen	
IInd Group				
9 th Squadron	Only aircrew		Evere/with 5/III/3	
11 th Squadron	Planned			
IIIrd Group				
5 th Squadron Faucon Egyptien	Fairey Battle	14	Evere/Belcele	
7 th Squadron Fleche Ailee	Fairey Fox VIII	9	Evere/Belcele	

Training Schools [Ecoles de Pilotage]

Basic Flight School

1st Squadron

2nd Squadron

3rd Squadron

5th Squadron

6th Squadron

Advanced Flight School

Avro 504

Avro 626

MS 326

SV4B

Fairey Firefly [?]

Firefly Fox [?]

Breguet XIX [?]

Potez 33 [?]

Koolhoven FT6 [12]

St.Denijs-Westrem

Gosselies

Deurne

Wevelgem

Wevelgem

Wevelgem/Goetsenhoven

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