


# Tank Reference: NATO



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## Keywords

Acronym	Full Name	Description
TUSK	Tank Urban Survival Kit	Basic urban warfare protection package for M1 Abrams series
TUSK II	Tank Urban Survival Kit II	Enhanced version with additional protection and urban warfare capabilities
BRAT	Bar Reactive Armor Tile	Reactive armor component of TUSK system
ARAT	Abrams Reactive Armor Tile	Advanced reactive armor component for later TUSK variants

## Western Bloc

### Modern Era

#### M1A2 SEPv3 Abrams

Description	Latest variant of the Abrams MBT with significant digital upgrades and enhanced protection.
Primary Armament(s)	120mm M256A1 smoothbore gun
Secondary Armament(s)	12.7mm M2HB machine gun, 7.62mm M240 machine gun
Armor	Depleted uranium mesh-reinforced composite armor, TUSK urban warfare kit available
Countermeasures	AN/VLQ-6 MCD, smoke grenade launchers, Trophy APS (Active Protection System)
Special Features	Advanced thermal sights, networked battle management system, improved power generation
Application	Modern MBT optimized for network-centric warfare and asymmetric threats.

#### M1A2 SEPv1 Abrams

Description	First System Enhancement Package variant of the M1A2.
Primary Armament(s)	120mm M256 smoothbore gun
Secondary Armament(s)	12.7mm M2HB machine gun, 7.62mm M240 machine gun
Armor	Depleted uranium mesh-reinforced composite armor
Countermeasures	AN/VLQ-6 MCD, smoke grenade launchers
Special Features	Second-generation FLIR sights, improved digital systems
Application	Enhanced digital battlefield capability and improved thermal imaging.

## M1A1FEP Abrams

<b>Description</b>	Firepower Enhancement Package upgrade of the M1A1.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	120mm M256 smoothbore gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	12.7mm M2HB machine gun, 7.62mm M240 machine gun
<b>Armor</b>	Depleted uranium mesh-reinforced composite armor
<b>Countermeasures</b>	Smoke grenade launchers
<b>Special Features</b>	Enhanced fire control system, improved commander's weapon station
<b>Application</b>	Upgrade package focusing on firepower improvements and targeting capabilities.

## M1A1SA Abrams

<b>Description</b>	Situational Awareness upgrade package for M1A1.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	120mm M256 smoothbore gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	12.7mm M2HB machine gun, 7.62mm M240 machine gun
<b>Armor</b>	Depleted uranium mesh-reinforced composite armor
<b>Countermeasures</b>	Smoke grenade launchers
<b>Special Features</b>	Enhanced situational awareness package, improved thermal imaging
<b>Application</b>	Focus on crew situational awareness and battlefield intelligence.

## Merkava Mk IV LIC

<b>Description</b>	Low Intensity Conflict variant of the Mk IV, optimized for urban warfare.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	120mm MG253 smoothbore gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	12.7mm MG, 7.62mm MG, 60mm internal mortar
<b>Armor</b>	Composite modular armor, Trophy APS
<b>Countermeasures</b>	Trophy APS, smoke grenades, IR jammers
<b>Special Features</b>	Enhanced urban warfare protection, improved IED protection
<b>Application</b>	Specialized variant for urban combat and asymmetric warfare.

## Merkava Mk IV M

<b>Description</b>	Latest variant of the Mk IV with enhanced digital capabilities.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	120mm MG253 smoothbore gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	12.7mm MG, 7.62mm MG, 60mm internal mortar
<b>Armor</b>	Advanced composite modular armor, Trophy APS
<b>Countermeasures</b>	Trophy APS, smoke grenades, IR jammers
<b>Special Features</b>	Advanced battle management system, improved power systems
<b>Application</b>	Modern MBT with enhanced digital warfare capabilities.

## Leopard 2A6

<b>Description</b>	Enhanced variant of the Leopard 2 series with improved firepower.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	120mm L/55 smoothbore gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	7.62mm MG3A1 machine guns (2)
<b>Armor</b>	Third-generation composite armor
<b>Countermeasures</b>	Smoke grenade launchers
<b>Special Features</b>	Enhanced fire control system, longer L/55 gun

<b>Application</b>	Improved anti-tank capabilities with longer-range main gun.
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## FV4034 Challenger 2

<b>Description</b>	British main battle tank with distinctive rifled main gun.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	120mm L30A1 rifled gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	7.62mm L94A1 chain gun, 7.62mm L37A2 machine gun
<b>Armor</b>	Second generation Chobham/Dorchester armor
<b>Countermeasures</b>	L8 smoke grenade dischargers
<b>Special Features</b>	Digital fire control system, battlefield identification system
<b>Application</b>	Heavy MBT emphasizing crew survivability and accurate long-range engagement.

## Cold War Era

### Leopard 1A3

<b>Description</b>	Improved variant of the Leopard 1 with new turret design.
<b>Primary Armament(s)</b>	105mm L7A3 rifled gun
<b>Secondary Armament(s)</b>	7.62mm MG3 machine guns (2)
<b>Armor</b>	Spaced armor in welded turret
<b>Countermeasures</b>	Smoke grenade launchers
<b>Special Features</b>	New welded turret design, improved armor protection
<b>Application</b>	Mobile MBT focusing on firepower and mobility over heavy armor.

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