The Battle Of Mollwitz

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Frederick's invasion of Silesia in late 1740 caught the Hapsburg monarchy by surprise and it was not until 1741 that an army was assembled to deal with the upstart Prussians. The Austrian commander Count Neipperg was confident of success against Frederick's inexperienced army. On the Prussian side, Frederick followed the guidance of Field Marshal Schwerin, who for all intents and purposes commanded his army.

The Scenario:

The weather is sunny Start on Turn 2 Basic Length is 6 turns.

Terrain notes:

- The stream is treated as an obstacle by all troops
- Wood and Marsh are treated as rough terrain

Map Scale: 1:100

Free Deployment Rules

For Free Deployment place Austrian units anywhere above the line indicated and place the Prussian units anywhere below the line indicated.

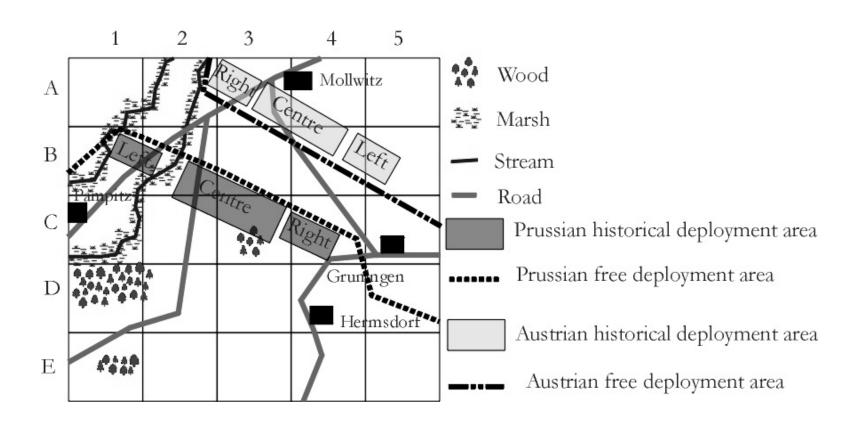
Historical Deployment Rules

For Historical Deployment set up the units for each force within the area indicated.

Special Scenario Rules

- 1. To reflect the fact that the Austrian infantry units were largely made up of recruits treat all Austrian musketeer brigades as having 5SP.
- 2. Prussian cavalry must pass an Attack Test in order to charge.
- 3. Leader's ratings have been adjusted to reflect their performance in the actual battle.

The Mollwitz Battlefield:



Mollwitz Orders of Battle

The Austrian Army

Commander: Niepperg (Poor)

Break Point: 3

Romer +2(V)

Left

2 x Cuirassiers

1 x Dragoons

Brown * +2(V)

Centre

5 x Musketeers

Berlichingen 0

Right

1x Cuirassier

1 x Dragoon

TOTAL (for Free Deployment)

3 x Cuirassiers

2 x Dragoons

5 x Musketeers

The Prussian Army

Commander: Schwerin (Great)

Break Point: 4

1 x Heavy Artillery

Posadowsky -1

Left

1 x Cuirassiers

1 x Dragoons

Dietrich* +1 (V)

Centre

2 x Guard/Grenadiers

6 x Musketeers

Schulenburg 0 (V)

Right

1 x Cuirassiers

1 x Dragoons

TOTAL (for Free Deployment)

2x Cuirassiers

2 x Dragoons

2 x Guard/Grenadiers

6 x Musketeers

1 x Heavy Artillery