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**Pattern (name) Tank, Light M41A1 (Walker Bulldog), Introduced into NZ Service: November 1960, Withdrawn 1982**

**Crew:** 4 (commander, gunner, driver, loader) **Battle Weight:** 51,800 Lbs (23,496 Kg)

**Length:** 22 ft 11in. (6.98 m) **Width:** 10 ft 8 in. (3.25 m) **Height:** 10 ft 2 in. (3.098 m)

**Guns:** One 76mm, one .30 in. Browning MG one .50 in MG

**Armour:** 40 mm to 20 mm, **Engine:** Continental 6 Cyl. Petrol


**Max Speed:** Road 45 mph (72.5 Km/h) **Range:** 100 miles.(161 Km)






**LIGHT TANK M41A1 WALKER BULLDOG**

Developed in the USA in 1950 as the Little Bulldog, the M41 Light Tank first saw action in the Korean War. When the UN Commander, American General Walton Walker was killed in 1951 the tank was renamed the Walker Bulldog after him.



The M41A1 Walker Bulldog First entered service with the New Zealand Army in 1960, where it replaced the World War Two vintage Stuart and Valentine tanks. During the 1970's and early 1980's the Walker Bulldog was the New Zealand Army's only tank and they were used in training exercises all over New Zealand. The Walker Bulldog was replaced in the mid 1980's by the British Scorpion tracked reconnaissance vehicle.



**Crew : 4**  
**Weight : 23.5 tonnes**  
**Speed : 72 km / hour**  
**Engine : Continental 6 Cylinder Petrol**  
**Guns : 76mm High Velocity**  
**Browning .50 inch Machine Gun**  
**Browning .30 Machine Gun**

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