

**German Army  
Authorized Strength  
Air Landing Rifle Company  
1 February 1941**

Flying Squad

Command:

1 Company Commander (officer)  
    1 bicycle 1 pistol, & 1 submachine gun  
1 Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 rifle  
1 Liaison NCO  
    1 rifle  
4 Messengers  
    4 rifles

Reconnaissance Troop:

1 Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle  
5 Reconnaissance Soldiers  
    5 rifles & 5 bicycles

Anti-Tank Rifle Troop:

1 Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 rifle  
3 Anti-Tank Riflemen  
    3 anti-tank rifles & 3 pistols  
3 Riflemen to handle ammunition  
    3 rifles

1st Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (officer)  
    1 pistol & 1 submachine gun  
1 Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 rifle  
3 Messengers  
    3 rifles  
4 Groups:  
4 Group Leaders (NCOs)  
    4 rifles  
35 Soldiers & Machine Gunners  
    27 rifles, 8 pistols, 4 light machine guns & 1 hand cart  
    for ammunition

Light Mortar Troop:

1 Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 rifle  
2 Mortar Gunners  
    2 pistols, 1 50mm mortar & 1 hand cart

2nd Platoon:

    same as 1st

3rd Platoon:

    same as 1st

Battle Squad:

1 Equipment NCO  
    1 rifle  
1 Corpsman (NCO)  
    1 pistol

4 Stretcher Bearers (Corpsmen)  
4 pistols

1 Assistant Master Gunsmith  
1 rifle

Ground Squad:

Field Train:

1 NCO, 15 soldiers, 1 riding horse, 7 draft horses, 8 heavy draft horses, 15 rifles, 1 pistol, 3 Hf7/11 heavy wagons, 1 Hf1 wagon, 1 Hf11 or Hf 13 field kitchen wagon, & 2 bicycles.

Administration:

2 soldiers, 2 draft horses, 2 rifles, 1 Hf1 wagon

Baggage:

1 NCO, 3 soldiers, 4 rifles, 1 3-ton truck

(mot) detachment for special equipment:

2 soldiers, 2 rifles, 1 3-ton truck

Totals:

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	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
<u>Flying Squad:</u>				
Staff	1	-	4	15
1st Platoon	1	-	6	40
2nd Platoon	1	-	6	40
3rd Platoon	1	-	6	40
Battle Squad	-	-	2	5
Total	4	-	24	140
<u>Ground Squad:</u>				
Field Train	-	-	1	15
Administration	-	-	-	2
Baggage	-	-	1	3
(mot) Det	-	-	-	2
Total	-	-	2	22
Company Total	4	-	26	162

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