# German Army Authorized Strength Armored Reconnaissance Company (A) (Armored Car) 1 October 1943

Staff	
1 Company Commander (officer)	
1 pistol	
1 Company Troop Leader (NCO)	
1 submachine gun	
1 Armored Car Driver (NCO)	
1 pistol & 1 Sd Kfz 234 (50mm gun)	
1 Corpsman (NCO)	
1 pistol	
1 Armored Car Gunner	
1 pistol	
4 Motorcycle Messengers	
4 rifles, 2 350ccm motorcycles & 2 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkr	ads
2 Drivers	
2 rifles & 2 light four seat passenger vehicles (volkswage	en)
1 Radio Operator	
1 pistol	
<pre>1st Platoon:</pre>	
1 Platoon Leader (and Car Commander) (officer)	
1 pistol	
2 Armored Car Troop Leaders (and Armored Car Commanders) (NCOs)	
2 pistols	
1 Panzerführer (NCO)	
1 pistol	
6 Armored Car Drivers (NCOs)	
6 pistols, 6 Sd Kfz 234 (50mm guns)	
2 Armored Car Commanders	
2 pistols	
6 Armored Car Gunners	
6 pistols	
6 Radio Operators	
6 pistols	
2nd Platoon:	
same as 1st Platoon	
3rd (Light) Platoon:	
same as 1st Platoon, but officer replaced by NCO	
4th (Light) Platoon:	
same as 3rd Platoon	

## <u>Vehicle</u> <u>Maintenance</u>:

 $\overline{4}$  NCOs,  $\overline{9/8}$  soldiers, 12/11 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 2-ton truck, 2 3-ton trucks, & 1 Sd Kfz 11 (3 ton) half track

# Field Train:

 $\overline{5/4}$  NCOs, 9 soldiers, 9 rifles, 4/3 pistol, 1 submachine gun, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen) & 4 3-ton trucks

### Baggage:

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

### Totals:

	Warrant				
	Officers	Officer	s NCOs	Soldiers	
Troop Command	1	_	3	8	
1st Platoon	1	_	9	14	
2nd Platoon	1	_	9	14	
3rd Platoon	_	_	10	14	
4th Platoon	_	_	10	14	
Vehicle Maintenance	_	_	4	9/8	
Field Train	_	_	5/4	9	
Baggage	_	_	1	3	
Total	3	_	51/50	85/83	

Note: Double numbers (25/24) indicate where there is a penciled change in the organization charge. The first number is the original strength and the second number is the penciled revised figure.

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