German Army Authorized Strength Staff Company Assault Gun Battalion 1 November 1943

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Staff
1 Company Commander (officer)
     1 pistol
1 Officer on special duty
     1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
1 NCO on special duty
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
2 Drivers (later 1)
     2 rifles, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen),
     & 1 medium passenger vehicle
<u>Signals</u> <u>Platoon</u>:
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
     1 pistol
1 Radio Operator on special duty (NCO)
     1 rifle
3 (later 1) Panzerführer (NCOs)
     3 pistols
2 Gunners (NCOs)
     2 pistols
2 Radio Operators (NCOs)
     2 pistols
3 Tank Drivers (NCOs)
     3 pistols & 3 Panzer Mk III (50mm L42) (Sd Kfz 141) command
     vehicles
1 Gunner
     1 pistol
1 Radio Operator
     1 pistol
3 Loaders
     3 pistols
1 Motorcycle Messenger
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
3 Radio Operators (1 drove truck)
     3 rifles & 2-ton truck
Reconnaissance Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
     1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
1 NCO on special duty
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
2 Motorcycle Messengers
     2 rifles & 2 350ccm motorcycles
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
     1st Reconnaissance Troop:
     1 Troop Leader (NCO)
          1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
     1 Motorcycle Messenger
          1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
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2 Drivers
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2 rifles & 2 light four seat passenger vehicles (volkswagen)

3 Machine Gunners

1 rifle, 2 pistols & 2 LMGs

2nd Reconnaissance Troop

same as 1st Troop

<u>3rd Reconnaissance Troop</u>

same as 1st Troop

<u>Pioneer</u> <u>Platoon</u>:

1 Platoon Leader (NCO)

1 pistol & 1 submachine gun

1 Motorcycle Messenger

1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle

5 Drivers

5 rifles, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen),

2 2-ton Sd Kfz 3 Maultiers (troop transport), 2 4.5 ton trucks

<u>1st Pioneer Troop:</u>

1 Troop Leader (NCO)

1 pistol & 1 submachine qun

5 Pioneers

4 rifles, 1 pistol & 1 light machine gun

2nd Pioneer Troop:

same as 1st Troop

3rd Pioneer Troop:

same as 1st Troop

<u>Vehicle Maintenance:</u>

3 NCOs, 14 soldiers, 10 rifles, 7 pistols, 2 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen), 1 2-ton truck, 2 3-ton trucks, & 1 4.5 ton truck

Field Train:

6 NCOs, 24/22 soldiers, 14 rifles, 15/13 pistols, 1 LMG, 2 Sd Kfz 251/8 ambulance half tracks (each with 2 submachine guns & 2 LMGs), 3 3-ton trucks, 2 4.5 ton trucks, 1 2-ton truck, & 3 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)

Administration and Supply:

1 officer, 1 warrant officer, 7/6 NCOs, 51/44 soldiers, 51/42, 9 pistols, 2 LMGs, 2 350ccm motorcycle, 2 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen), 1 2-ton truck, 8 3-ton truck, & 12 4.5 ton trucks

Administration:

1 NCO, 6/3 soldiers, 7/4 rifles, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen) & 2 3-ton trucks

Baggage:

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

Totals:

	Warrant			
	Officers	Officer	s NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	2	_	1	2/1
Signals Platoon	1	_	11/9	9
Reconnaissance Platoor	n 1	_	4	21
Pioneer Platoon	_	-	4	21
Vehicle Maintenance	_	-	3	14
Field Train	_	_	6	24/22
Admin & Supply	1	1	7/6	51/44
Administration	_	_	1	6/3
Baggage	_	_	1	3
Total	5	1	36/35	151/138

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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