

German Army
Authorized Strength
Cossack Heavy Squadron
19 July 1943

Staff

1 Company Commander (officer)
 1 horse & 1 pistol
1 Squadron Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun & 1 horse
1 Dolmetscher (NCO)
 1 horse & 1 pistol
3 Mounted Messengers
 3 horses & 3 rifles
1 Horse Attendant for officer's horse
 1 horse & 1 rifle

1st (Heavy Machine Gun) Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
1 Platoon Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
1 Lead Horse Leader (NCO)
 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
1 Blacksmith (NCO)
 1 horse & 1 rifle
2 Range Finder Operators
 2 pistols & 2 horses
2 Horse Attendants
 2 rifles & 2 horses
2 Messengers
 2 rifles & 2 horses
4 Heavy Machine Guns:
4 Gun Captains (NCOs)
 4 submachine guns & 4 horses
4 Machine Gunners
 4 pistols, 4 heavy machine guns & 4 horses
12 Machine Gun Riflemen
 8 rifles, 4 pistols & 12 horses
4 Horse Attendants
 4 horses & 4 rifles
4 Machine Gun Pack Horse Leaders (including 2 blacksmiths)
 4 horses, 4 pack horses & 4 rifles
4 Machine Gun Base Pack Horse Leaders
 4 horses, 4 pack horses & 4 rifles
4 Munitions Pack Horse Leaders
 4 horses, 4 pack horses & 4 rifles

2nd (Heavy Machine Gun) Platoon

same as 1st

Mortar Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
1 Horse Attendant
 1 horse & 1 submachine gun

1 Troop leader (NCO)
 1 horse & 1 rifle
 1 Blacksmith (NCO)
 1 horse & 1 rifle
 2 Mounted Messengers (& serving as 1 Dolmetscher)
 2 horses & 2 rifles
 1 Blacksmith
 1 horse & 1 rifle
 2 Groups:
 2 Group Leaders (NCOs)
 2 submachine guns & 2 horses
 4 Troop Leaders (NCOs)
 4 horses & 4 pistols
 2 Range Finder Operators
 2 horses & 2 pistols
 20 Mortar Crewmen
 20 horses, 8 rifles, 12 pistols & 4 80mm Mk 34 Mortars
 8 Horse Attendants
 8 horses & 8 rifles
 12 Drivers from the saddle
 12 rifles, 24 horses & 2 Jf 11 (six horse) wagons

Medical Troop:

1 NCO, 3 soldiers, 4 rifles, & 4 horses

Baggage:

9 NCOs, 26 soldiers, 5 mounts, 28 pack horses, 29 rifles, 2 submachine guns, 4 pistols, 2 Hf 12 or Hf 14 (2 horse) field kitchens & 12 (2 horse) panjewagons

Totals:

	Warrant			
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	2	4
1st Platoon	1	-	7	39
2nd Platoon	1	-	7	39
3rd Platoon	1	-	8	46
Medical Troop	-	-	1	3
Baggage	-	-	9	26
Total	4	-	34	157

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