

**German Army
Authorized Strength
Bicycle Reconnaissance Squadron
1 March 1943**

Staff

1 Squadron Commander (officer)
 1 pistol
1 Squadron Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
3 Messengers
 3 rifles & 3 bicycles
3 Motorcycle Messengers
 3 rifles & 3 350ccm motorcycles
1 Driver
 1 rifle & 1 Kfz 15 medium personnel vehicle
1 Corpsermen (NCO)
 1 pistol & 1 bicycle
4 Corpsermen
 4 pistols & 4 bicycles

1st Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
1 Platoon Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
3 Messengers
 4 rifles & 4 bicycles
1 Anti-Tank Gunner
 1 bicycle & 1 anti-tank rifle
 4 Groups:
 4 Group Leaders (NCOs)
 4 rifles & 4 bicycles
 40 Soldiers
 40 bicycles, 28 rifles, 12 pistols, & 4 light machine guns

2nd Platoon

 same as 1st Platoon

3rd Platoon

 same as 1st Platoon, but officer replaced by NCO

4th Platoon

1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
3 Messengers
 3 rifles & 3 bicycles
 1st (Heavy Machine Gun) Group:
 2 Machine Gun Leaders (NCOs)
 2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
 8 Machine Gun Riflemen
 4 rifles, 4 pistols, 2 heavy machine guns & 8 bicycles
 2 Kettenkraftkrad
 2 rifles, 2 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkrad, & 2 Sd Ah 1 trailers
 2nd (Heavy Machine Gun) Group:
 same as 1st Group

3rd (Mortar) Group:

1 Group Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
2 Troop Leader (NCO)
 2 pistols & 2 bicycles
10 Mortar Crewmen
 4 rifles, 6 pistols 2 80mm Mk 34 Mortars, & 6 bicycles
2 Kettenkraftkrad
 2 rifles, 2 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkrad & 2 Sd Ah 1 trailers

Field Train:

5 NCOs, 13 soldiers, 14 rifles, 4 pistols, 1 Kfz 15 medium passenger vehicle, 5 3-ton trucks

Baggage:

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

Totals:

	Warrant			
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	2	11
1st Platoon	1	-	5	45
2nd Platoon	1	-	5	45
3rd Platoon	-	-	6	45
4th Platoon	1	-	7	35
Field Train	-	-	5	13
Baggage	-	-	1	3
Total	4	-	31	196

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