German Army Authorized Strength Bicycle Fusilier Company 1 September 1944

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Company Staff:
1 Company Commander (officer)
     1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
1 Company Troop Leader (NCO)
     1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
1 Corpsman
    1 pistol & 1 bicycle
6 Messengers
     6 submachine guns & 6 bicycles
Sharpshooters (initially 6 soldiers, later 1 NCO & 5 soldiers)
    6 rifles & 6 bicycles
1st (Submachine Gun) Platoon
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
2 Messengers
     2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
1 Assistant Master Weapons Master
     1 submachine guns & 1 bicycle
     1st & 2nd Submachine Gun Group
     2 Group Leaders (NCOs)
          2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
     16 Soldiers
          16 submachine guns & 16 bicycles
     3rd Group:
     1 Group Leader (NCO)
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
     5 Riflemen & Machine Gunners
          1 pistol, 4 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun
          & 5 bicycles
     3 Riflemen with Grenade Launchers
          3 rifles, 3 grenade launchers & 3 bicycles
2nd (Submachine Gun) Platoon
     Same as 1st, but officer replaced by NCO
3rd (Bicycle) Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
2 Messengers
     2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith
    1 rifle & 1 bicycle
1 Corpsman
    1 pistol & 1 bicycle
     1st & 2nd Groups:
     2 Group Leaders (NCOs)
          2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
     16 Riflemen & Machine Gunners
          12 rifles, 2 submachine guns, 2 pistols, 3 light machine
          guns & 16 bicycles
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3rd Group:
     1 Group Leader (NCO)
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
     5 Riflemen & Machine Gunners
          1 pistol, 4 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun
          & 5 bicycles
     3 Riflemen with Grenade Launchers
          3 rifles, 3 grenade launchers & 3 bicycles
4th (Heavy Bicycle) Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
     1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
2 Messengers
     2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith
     1 rifle & 1 bicycle
1 Driver for RSO
     1 rifle & 1 Raupenschlepper Ost for Munitions, Equipment &
    baggage
1 Assistant RSO Driver
     1 rifle
     Heavy Machine Gun Group
     1 Group Leader (NCO)
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
     2 Weapons Leaders (NCOs)
          2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
     1 Messenger
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
     2 Lead Machine Gunners
          2 rifles & 2 bicycle
     8 Machine Gunners
          6 rifles, 2 pistols, & 2 light machine guns
     80mm Mortar Group
     1 Group Leader (NCO)
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
     1 Aiming NCO
          1 pistol & 1 bicycle
     1 Positions NCO
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
     1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
          1 rifle& 1 bicycle
     10 Mortar Crew
          4 rifles, 6 pistols, 2 80mm mortars, & 10 bicycles
5th (Light Infantry Gun) Platoon
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
1 Aiming NCO
     1 pistol & 1 bicycle
2 Radio Operators
     2 rifles, 2 radios & 2 bicycles
4 Telephone Talkers
     3 rifles, 1 submachine gun, & 4 bicycles
     Light Infantry Gun Section:
     1 Position (NCO)
          1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
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2 Gun Commanders (NCO)

2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles

1 Aiming Circle Operator

1 rifle & 1 bicycle

12 Gunners

11 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 light machine gun, 2 37mm infantry support guns, & 11 bicycles

1 Vehicle Attendant

1 rifle

2 Drivers

2 rifles & 2 RSO Raupenschlepper Ost for Munitions & baggage

Field Train:

5 NCOs, 15 soldiers, 12 heavy pack horses, 17 rifles, 2 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 1 light machine gun, 6 HF1 2 horse wagons, 1 3 ton truck, & 4 bicycles

Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	_	2/3	16/15
1st Platoon	1	_	3	28
2nd Platoon	_	_	4	28
3rd Platoon	_	_	4	28
4th Platoon	_	_	7	30
5th Platoon	1	_	4	23
Field Train	_	_	5	15

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