

**German Army
Authorized Strength
Heavy Company
Fortress Infantry Battalion
1 August 1944**

Staff

1 Company Commander (officer)
 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
1 Hauptfeldwebel (Sergeant Major)
 1 pistol & 1 bicycle
1 Company Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun
1 Equipment NCO
 1 rifle
1 Corpsman (NCO)
 1 pistol & 1 bicycle
2 Bicycle Messengers
 2 rifles & 2 bicycles
3 Radio Operators
 3 rifles & 3 radios
2 Light Field Cable Troops:
1 Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun
5 Telephone Talkers
 4 rifles & 1 submachine gun
1st (Heavy Machine Gun) Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 submachine gun
2 Messengers
 2 rifles
1 Range Finder Operator
 1 pistol
1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
 1 rifle
1 Corpsman
 1 pistol
6 Heavy Machine Guns:
3 Group Leaders (NCOs)
 3 submachine guns
3 Gun Captains (NCOs)
 3 submachine guns
3 Gun Captains (soldiers)
 3 submachine guns
6 Machine Gunners
 6 pistols & 6 heavy machine guns
18 Machine Gun Riflemen
 12 rifles & 6 pistols
2nd (80mm Mortar) Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun
1 Direction Ring NCO
 1 submachine gun

2 Messengers
 2 riflemen
 6 Radio Operators
 6 rifles & 6 field radios
 1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
 1 rifle
 1 Corpsman
 1 pistol
 6 80mm Mortars Mk 34
 3 Group Leaders
 3 submachine guns
 1 Position NCO
 1 submachine gun
 30 Mortar Crew
 12 rifles, 18 pistols, 6 80mm Mortars Mk 34
3rd (80mm Mortar) Platoon:
 same as 2nd platoon

Totals:

	Officers	Warrant Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	5	10
1st Platoon	1	-	6	32
2nd Platoon	-	-	6	40
3rd Platoon	-	-	6	40
Total	2	-	23	122

Notes:

The following were occasionally added by the Army Group or AOK:

To Staff:

1 Wagon driver
 1 rifle, 1 panjewagon & 2 horses
to 1st Platoon
 3 Wagon drivers
 3 rifles, 3 panjewagons & 6 horses
to 2nd & 3rd Platoon
 12 Wagon driver
 12 rifles, 12 panjewagons & 24 horses

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