# German Army Authorized Strength Armored Reconnaissance Company (D) (Armored Car) 1 March 1944

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1	Company Commander (officer) 1 pistol
1	Company Troop Leader (NCO)  1 submachine gun
1	Armored Car Driver 1 pistol
1	Radio Operator 1 pistol
1	Gunner 1 pistol
4	Motorcycle Messengers 4 rifles, 2 350ccm motorcycles & 2 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkrads
1	Driver  1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
	st (Light) Platoon: Platoon Leader (Car Commander) (Officer)
	1 pistol Assistant Platoon Leaders (Car Commander) (NCOs)
	2 pistols Panzerführer (Car Commander) (NCO)
	1 pistol Armored Car Drivers
	6 pistols, 6 Sd Kfz 234/1 Armored Cars
	Panzerführer 2 pistols Range Gunnang
	Panzer Gunners 4 pistols
	Radio Operators 2 pistols
	<pre>d (Light) Platoon:     same as 1st Platoon, but officer replaced by NCO</pre>
	cd (Light) Platoon: same as 2nd Platoon
	th (Heavy) Platoon: Platoon Leader (and Car Commander) (officer)
2	1 pistol Assistant Platoon Leaders (and Car Commander) (NCOs)
3	2 pistols Panzerführer (Car Commander) (NCOs)
6	3 pistols Armored Car Drivers
6	6 pistols & 6 Sd Kfz 234/3 armed with 75mm guns Radio Operators
6	6 pistols Gunners
	6 pistols

## Vehicle Maintenance:

 $\overline{4}$  NCOs,  $\overline{9}$  soldiers, 12 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 2-ton truck, 2 3-ton trucks, & 1 Sd Kfz 11 (3 ton) half track

#### Field Train:

4 NCOs, 9 soldiers, 11 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 submachine gun, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen) & 4 3-ton trucks

#### Baggage:

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

### Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	_	4	6
1st Platoon	1	_	9	14
2nd Platoon	_	_	10	14
3rd Platoon	-	_	10	14
4th Platoon	1	_	11	12
Vehicle Maintenance	_	_	4	9
Field Train	_	_	4	9
Baggage	_	_	1	3
Total	3	_	53	81

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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