

**Organization of a German Light Division
1939**

Division Command

Motorcycle messenger platoon

Motorized Mapping Section

Staff Schützenbrigade (Staff Infantry Brigade)

(1st Light Division Only)

- 1 Kavalerie Schützenregiment, (Mounted Infantry Regiment), with
 - 3 Kavalerie Schützenabteilungen (Mounted Infantry Battalions) each with
 - 3 Schützenschwadron
 - 18 Light MG's
 - 2 Heavy MG's
 - 3 Light Trench Mortars
 - 1 Light Motorized Column
 - 1 Motorized Infantry Support Squadron
 - 8 Light Infantry Support Guns

(2nd & 4th Light Divs, each had 2 Kavalerie Schützenregiment(s), each of which had 2 Kavalerie Schützenabteilungen. Each "abteilung" had 3 Schützenschwadrons (18 LMG's, 4 HMG's & 3 Light Trench Mortars), 1 Heavy Squadron (4 Light Infantry Support Guns, 6 Medium Trench Mortars, & 3 Anti-tank Guns), and a Pioneer Platoon (3 LMG's).

1 Motorcycle Battalion, with (Not in 2nd & 4th Lt. Div.)

- 3 Motorcycle Squadrons
 - 18 Light MG's
 - 2 Heavy MG's
 - 3 Light Trench Mortars
- 1 Machine Gun Schwadron with AT Platoon
 - 8 Heavy MG's
 - 6 Medium Trench Mortars
 - 3 Anti-tank Guns

1 Reconnaissance Regiment, with (Recon Bn only in 1st Lt. Div)

2 Reconnaissance Battalions (3rd Div only)

or (2nd & 4th Lt. Divisions)

- 1 Reconnaissance Battalion
 - 2 Armored Car Squadrons
 - 1 Motorcycle Squadorn
- or
 - 3 Heavy Armored Car Squadrons
- 1 Motorcycle Battalion

Artillery Regiment, with

- 3 Motorized Batteries, each with
 - 4 105mm Light Infantry Field Howitzers

Panzer Battalion, with

- 3 Light Panzer Companies
- 1 Detachment
- 1 Armored Repair Shop Platoon
- 1 Panzer Column

1 Anti-Tank Battalion, with
 3 Motorized Anti-Tank Companies, each with
 12 Anti-tank Guns
 1 Motorized Heavy Machine Gun Company (not in 4th Lt. Div.)
 12 20mm Flak guns

1 Motorized Pioneer Battalion, with
 2 Motorized Light Pioneer Companies, with
 9 Light MG's
 1 Bridge Column K or B
 1 Motorized Light Pioneer Column

Signals Company

Quartermaster Service, with
 Staff Division Quartermaster with
 6 Light Quartermaster Columns
 2 Quartermaster Columns for Operations Material
 3 Repair Shop Companies
 1 Quartermaster Company

Administrative Service
 1 Motorized Field Bakery
 1 Motorized Field Butcher Platoon
 Administrative Office

Medical Staff
 2 Motorized Medical Companies
 3 Ambulance Platoons

Motorized Military Police Troop
Motorized Field Post Office

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