

**Proposed Organizations of the 15th Panzer Division
1 March 1942**

1st Proposal

Divisional HQ:

- 33rd (mot) Mapping Section
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon (1/2 Volkswagens & 1/2 motorcycles)
- 1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon

8th Panzer Regiment:

- Headquarters Section
 - 1 Panzer Platoon
 - 1 Armored Signals Section
 - 1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon
- 1 Panzer Maintenance Company
 - 3 Work Platoons
 - 1 Recovery Platoon
- 3 Panzer Battalions, each with:
 - 1 Battalion HQ Section, with:
 - 1 Light Panzer Platoon
 - 1 Panzer Signals Platoon
 - 1 Panzer Engineer Platoon
 - 1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon
 - 1 20mm Flak Section
 - 3 Light Panzer Companies
 - 1 Medium Panzer Company
 - 1 Panzer Replacement Platoon

15th Schützen brigade:

- Brigade HQ Section
 - 1 (mot) Signals Section
 - 1 Armored Car Platoon (2 troops)
 - 1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon

115th Regiment:

- Regimental HQ Section
 - 1 (mot) Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Motorcycle Platoon
 - 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
- 1st (mot) Battalion (in halftracks)
 - 3 (mot) Companies (18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 2-50mm mortars)
 - 1 (mot) Machine Gun Company (8 HMGs)
 - 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 - 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
- 2nd (mot) Battalion (in trucks)
 - 3 (mot) Companies (18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 2-50mm mortars)
 - 1 (mot) Machine Gun Company (8 HMGs)
 - 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 - 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
- 1 (mot) Heavy Infantry Support Gun Co (6-150mm guns)

15th Machine Gun Battalion:

- 3 Motorcycle Companies (18LMGs, 2 HMGs & 2-81mm Mortars ea)
- 1 (mot) Heavy Machine Gun Company (8 HMGs)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 - 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm PAK & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)

2nd Machine Gun Battalion:

- 3 (mot) Machine Gun Companies (20 LMGs & 2 81mm mortars ea)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 - 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (6-50mm, 2-37mm PAK & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)

33rd Artillery Regiment:

- Regimental HQ Section
 - 1 (mot) Observation Company
 - 1 (mot) Staff Company
 - 1 Calibration Section
- 1st & 2nd (mot) Battalions
 - 1 (mot) Staff Company
 - 1 Calibration Section
 - 3 (mot) Batteries (4-105mm lFH 18 & 2 LMGs)
- 3rd (mot) Battalion
 - 1 (mot) Staff Company
 - 1 Calibration Section
 - 2 (mot) Batteries (4-150mm sFH 18 & 2 LMGs)
 - 1 (mot) Battery (4-100mm K17 & 2 LMGs)
- 4th (mot) Battalion
 - 1 (mot) Staff Company
 - 1 Calibration Section
 - 3 Batteries (4 105mm lFH 18s or British 25pdrs)

33rd Signals Battalion:

- 1 (mot) Telephone Company
- 1 (mot) Radio Company

33rd Reconnaissance Battalion:

- 1 Armored Car Company, with: 6 heavy ACs, 14 Light ACs, 4 Radio ACs, 1 Heavy Radio (8 wheel) AC)
- 1 (mot) Infantry Platoon
- 1 Light Panzer Company (24 Pz II)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 - 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (1 LMG, 1-37mm & 3-50mm PAK)
 - 1 Heavy Weapons Platoon (6 LMGs & 2 81mm Mortars)
 - 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
- 1 Light Armored Car Supply Column

33rd (mot) Engineer Battalion:

- 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Company (2-28mm AT guns & 3-50mm PAK)
- 3 (mot) Engineer Companies (9 LMGs ea) (1 in halftracks)
- 1 Light (mot) Supply Column

33rd Panzerjäger Battalion:

- 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
- 1 AT Section (3-28mm AT guns)
- 1 Panzerjäger (Halftrack) Company (9-50mm PAK & 6 LMGs)

2 (mot) Panzerjäger Companies (9 50mm & 3 37mm PAK, 3 28mm
AT guns & 6 LMGs)

I/43rd Flak Regiment:

3 (mot) Batteries (4-88mm guns each)
2 (mot) Batteries (12-20mm guns each)

Support Units:

33rd (mot) Field Post Office
33rd (mot) Military Police Platoon
1/,2/,3/33rd Ambulance Companies
1/,2/,3/33rd (mot) Medical Companies
33rd (mot) Field Hospital
33rd (mot) Division Quartermaster Company
33rd (mot) Bakery Company
33rd (mot) Butcher Platoon

33rd Supply Battalion:

33rd (mot) Light Supply Company
1/,2/,3/33rd (mot) Maintenance Companies
1-7th Heavy (mot) Supply Columns (1 LMG ea)
8th Light (mot) Fuel Supply Columns (1 LMG)
9-14th Light (mot) POL Supply Columns (1 LMG ea)
1 Light (mot) Water Supply Column
3 Heavy Panzer Supply Columns
2 Heavy Panzer Replacement Columns

2nd Proposal:

Divisional HQ:

33rd (mot) Mapping Section
1 Motorcycle Platoon (1/2 Volkswagens & 1/2 motorcycles)
1 Motorcycle Platoon

8th Panzer Regiment:

Headquarters Section
1 Panzer Platoon
1 Armored Signals Section
1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon
1 Panzer Maintenance Company
2 Work Platoons
2 Recovery Platoons
3 Panzer Battalions, each with:
1 Battalion HQ Section, with:
1 Light Panzer Platoon
1 Panzer Signals Platoon
1 Panzer Engineer Platoon
1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon
1 20mm Flak Section
3 Light Panzer Companies
1 Medium Panzer Company
1 Panzer Replacement Platoon

15th Schützen brigade:

Brigade HQ Section
1 (mot) Signals Section

1 Armored Car Platoon (2 troops)
 1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon
115th Regiment:
 Regimental HQ Section
 1 (mot) Support Company
 1 (mot) Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm, 2-28mm AT
 guns & 1 LMG)
 1 Motorcycle Platoon
 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 1st (Halftrack) Battalion
 3 (mot) Companies (18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 2-50mm mortars)
 1 (mot) Machine Gun Company (8 HMGs)
 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm
 & 1 LMG)
 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
 2nd (Halftrack) Battalion
 3 (mot) Companies (18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 2-50mm mortars)
 1 (mot) Machine Gun Company (8 HMGs)
 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm
 & 1 LMG)
 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
 1 (mot) Heavy Infantry Support Gun Co (6-150mm guns)
15th Machine Gun Battalion:
 3 Motorcycle Companies (18 LMGs, 2 HMGs
 & 2-81mm Mortars ea)
 1 (mot) Heavy Machine Gun Company (8 HMGs)
 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm, 1-37mm PAK & 1 LMG)
 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
2nd Machine Gun Battalion:
 3 (mot) Machine Gun Companies (20 LMGs
 & 2 81mm mortars ea)
 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (6-50mm, 2-37mm PAK & 1 LMG)
 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
33rd Artillery Regiment:
 Regimental HQ Section
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 1 Calibration Section
 1st & 2nd (mot) Battalions
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 3 (mot) Batteries (4-105mm 1FH 18 & 2 LMGs)
 3rd (mot) Battalion
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 3 (mot) Batteries (4-150mm sFH 18 & 2 LMGs)

- 1 (mot) Battery (4-100mm K17 & 2 LMGs)
- 4th (mot) Battalion
 - 1 (mot) Staff Company
 - 1 Calibration Section
 - 3 Batteries (4 105mm 1FH 18s or British 25pdrs)
- 33rd Signals Battalion:
 - 1 (mot) Telephone Company
 - 1 (mot) Radio Company
- 33rd Reconnaissance Battalion:
 - 1 Armored Car Company, with: 6 heavy ACs, 14 Light ACs, 4 Radio ACs, 1 Heavy Radio (8 wheel) AC)
 - 1 (mot) Infantry Company
 - 1 Light Panzer Company (24 Pz II) or
 - 1 Armored Car Company (6 heavy, 14 light & 4 radio AC)
 - 1 (mot) Support Company, with:
 - 1 Infantry Support Section (2-75mm guns)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (1 LMG, 1-37mm & 3-50mm PAK)
 - 1 Heavy Weapons Platoon (6 LMGs & 2 81mm Mortars)
 - 1 Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 Light Armored Car Supply Column
- 33rd (mot) Engineer Battalion:
 - 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Company (2-28mm AT guns & 3-50mm PAK)
 - 3 (Halftrack) Engineer Companies (9 LMGs ea)
 - 1 Light (mot) Supply Column
- 33rd Panzerjäger Battalion:
 - 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 - 1 AT Section (3-28mm AT guns)
 - 1 Panzerjäger (Halftrack) Company (9-50mm PAK & 6 LMGs)
 - 2 (mot) Panzerjäger Companies (9 50mm & 3 37mm PAK, 3 28mm AT guns & 6 LMGs)
- I/43rd Flak Regiment:
 - 3 (mot) Batteries (4-88mm guns each)
 - 2 (mot) Batteries (12-20mm guns each)
- Support Units:
 - 33rd (mot) Field Post Office
 - 33rd (mot) Military Police Platoon
 - 1/,2/,3/33rd Ambulance Companies
 - 1/,2/,3/33rd (mot) Medical Companies
 - 33rd (mot) Field Hospital
 - 33rd (mot) Division Quartermaster Company
 - 33rd (mot) Bakery Company
 - 33rd (mot) Butcher Platoon
- 33rd Supply Battalion:
 - 33rd (mot) Light Supply Company
 - 1/,2/,3/33rd (mot) Maintenance Companies
 - 1-7th Heavy (mot) Supply Columns (1 LMG ea)
 - 8th Light (mot) Fuel Supply Columns (1 LMG)
 - 9-14th Light (mot) POL Supply Columns (1 LMG ea)
 - 1 Light (mot) Water Supply Column
 - 3 Heavy Panzer Supply Columns
 - 2 Heavy Panzer Replacement Columns

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