

**German Army  
Authorized Strength  
Heavy Sturm Company  
4 January 1943**

Staff:

- 1 Company Commander (officer)
  - 1 pistol, 1 submachine gun & 2 horses
- 1 Company Troop Leader (NCO)
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 1 Observation NCO
  - 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
- 1 Fodder Master (NCO)
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 1 Direction Circle I NCO
  - 1 pistol
- 1 Plan Equipment Soldier
  - 1 rifle
- 1 Mounted Messenger
  - 1 horse & 1 rifle
- 6 Radio Operators
  - 6 rifles
- 4 Bicyclists
  - 6 rifles & 6 bicycles
- 2 Horse Leaders for Jf 8 Infantry Cart
  - 2 rifles, 2 horses, & 2 Jf 8 Infantry Carts
- 2 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn

1st Heavy Machine Gun Platoon:

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer)
  - 1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
- 2 Direction Circle NCOs
  - 2 Horses & 2 submachine guns
- 2 Messengers
  - 2 rifles
- 2 Range Finders
  - 2 horses & 2 pistols
- 1 Horse Attendant for officer's horse
  - 1 horse & 1 rifle
- 4 Heavy Machine Guns:
- 4 Machine Gun Leaders (NCO)
  - 4 pistols
- 1 Vehicle Leader (NCO)
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 4 Machine Gunners
  - 4 pistols
- 16 Machine Gun Riflemen
  - 12 rifles, 4 pistols, 4 heavy machine guns
- 6 Horse Attendants Jf 8 Infantry Carts
  - 6 rifles, 6 horses & 6 Jf 8 Infantry Carts
- 6 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn

2nd Heavy Machine Gun Platoon

Like 1st Platoon, but officer replaced by NCO

3rd Heavy Mortar Platoon

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer)
  - 1 horse, 1 pistol, & 1 submachine gun
- 1 NCO on Special Duty
  - 1 pistol
- 3 Messengers
  - 3 rifles
- 6 Heavy Mortar:
- 3 Machine Gun Leaders (NCO)
  - 3 pistols
- 6 Troop Leaders (NCOs)
  - 6 submachine guns
- 3 Range Finders
  - 3 pistols
- 48 Mortar Crew
  - 30 rifles, 18, 6 80mm mortars
- 15 Horse Attendants Jf 8 Infantry Carts
  - 15 rifles, 15 horses & 15 Jf 8 Infantry Carts
- 15 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn

4th Light Infantry Gun Platoon

- 1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
  - 1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
- 1 Platoon Troop Leader (NCO)
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 1 Direction Circle II Operator
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 1 Range Finder
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 1 Mounted Messenger
  - 1 horse & 1 rifle
- 4 Radio Operators
  - 4 rifles & 4 rifles
- 1 Messenger
  - 1 rifle
- 1 Horse Attendant for officer's horse
  - 1 rifle & 1 horse
- 2 Infantry Support Guns:
- 1 Position NCO
  - 1 horse & 1 pistol
- 2 Gun Commanders (NCOs)
  - 2 horses & 2 pistols
- 12 Gunners
  - 12 rifles, 2-75mm infantry guns, & 8 horses
- 2 Ammunition Handlers
  - 2 rifles
- 1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
  - 1 pistol
- 8 Jf 14 Infantry Carts (16 horses)

5th Heavy Infantry Gun Platoon

1 Platoon Leader (Officer)  
    1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun  
1 Direction circle I NCO  
    1 horse & 1 pistol  
1 Range Finder  
    1 horse & 1 pistol  
4 Telephone Talkers  
    4 rifles  
1 Mounted Messenger  
    1 horse & 1 pistol  
1 Messenger  
    1 rifle  
1 Horse Attendant for Officer's horse  
    1 horse & 1 rifle  
2 Heavy Infantry Support Guns:  
1 Position NCO  
    1 horse & 1 pistol  
2 Gun Commanders (NCOs)  
    2 horses & 2 pistols  
12 Gunners  
    12 rifles, 2 150mm horses, & 12 horses  
2 Munition Handlers  
    2 rifles  
10 Drivers from the Saddle  
    10 rifles  
1 Assistant Master Gunsmith  
    1 pistol  
2 Jf 14 Infantry Carts (8 horses)  
Munitions Section:  
1 Section Leader (NCO)  
    1 horse & 1 rifle  
6 Drivers from the Saddle  
    6 rifles  
3 Wagon Escorts  
    3 rifles  
1 Hf 1 Munitions Wagon (4 horses)  
2 Jf 8 Munitions Wagons (8 horses)

Battle Field Train:

6 NCOs, 13 soldiers, 2 riding horses, 10 draft horses, 12 rifles, 7 pistols, 4 wagons

Administration:

1 NCO, 4 soldiers, 4 draft horses, 5 rifles, 2 wagons.

Baggage:

1 NCO, 7 soldiers, 6 draft horses, 8 rifles, 3 wagons

<u>Totals:</u>	Warrant			
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	4	15
1st Platoon	1	-	7	32
2nd Platoon	-	-	8	32
3rd Platoon	1	-	10	69
4th Platoon	-	-	5	32
5th Platoon	1	-	4	34
Battle Field Train	-	-	6	13
Administration	-	-	1	4
Baggage	-	-	1	7

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