

**German Army
Authorized Strength
Staff Company Tiger Tank Battalion
1 November 1943**

Staff

- 1 Company Commander (officer)
 - 1 pistol
- 1 NCO on special duty
 - 1 pistol & 1 350ccm motorcycle
- 1 Motorcycle messenger
 - 1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
- 1 Driver
 - 1 rifle & 1 medium personnel vehicle

Armored Reconnaissance Platoon:

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 - 1 pistol
- 1 Troop Leader NCO
 - 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
- 2 Radio Operators (and machine gunners)
 - 1 rifle, 1 pistol & 1 light machine gun
- 1 Half Track Driver
 - 1 rifle & 1 Sd Kfz 250/5 light observation half track with 1 LMG & 1 submachine gun
- 1st Group:
 - 1 Group Leader (NCO)
 - 1 submachine gun
 - 1 Assistant Group Leader (NCO)
 - 1 rifle
 - 8 Machine Gunners (including 2 radio operators)
 - 4 rifles, 4 pistols & 2 LMGs
 - 2 Half Track Drivers
 - 2 rifles, 1 Sd Kfz 250/1 half track with 1 LMG & 1 submachine gun, & 2 Sd Kfz 250/5 observation half track with 1 LMG & 1 submachine gun.
- 2nd Group:
 - same as 1st Group
- 3rd Group:
 - same as 1st Group

Signals Platoon:

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 - 1 pistol
- 1 Telephone Talker/Radio Operator on special assignment
 - 1 rifle
- 3 Panzerführer (tank commanders) (NCOs)
 - 3 pistols
- 3 Gunners (NCOs)
 - 3 pistols
- 2 Radio Operators (NCOs)
 - 2 pistols
- 3 Tank Drivers
 - 3 pistols & either:
 - 3 Tiger Tanks, Sd Kfz 181 88mm 36/56 command tanks or
 - 3 Tiger Tanks, Sd Kfz 182 88mm 43/ L 71 command tanks

1 Radio Operator
 1 pistol
 3 Loaders (two working as radio operators)
 3 pistols
 1 Truck Driver
 1 rifle & 1 2-ton truck
Reconnaissance & Pioneer Platoon:
 1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 pistol
 1 NCO on special duty
 1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
 2 Motorcycle Messengers
 2 rifles & 2 350ccm motorcycles
 1 Driver
 1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
 1 Machine Gunner
 1 pistol & 1 LMG
1st Reconnaissance Troop:
 1 Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
 1 Machine Gunner (in Kettenkraftkrad)
 1 pistol & 1 LMG
 2 Motorcycle Messengers
 2 rifles & 2 350ccm motorcycles
 1 Kettenkraftkrad Driver
 1 rifle & 1 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkrad
2nd Reconnaissance Troop:
 same as 1st Troop
3rd Reconnaissance Troop:
 same as 1st Troop
4th Reconnaissance Troop:
 same as 1st Troop
1st Pioneer Group:
 1 Group Leader (NCO)
 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
 4 Pioneers
 2 pistols & 2 rifles
 2 Machine Gunners
 2 pistols & 1 LMG
 2 Drivers
 2 rifles, 1 Sd Kfz 251/7 pioneer half track
 & 1 Sd Kfz 3 Maultier or 1 3-ton truck
2nd Pioneer Group:
 same as 1st Pioneer Group
3rd Pioneer Group:
 same as 1st Pioneer Group
Flak Platoon:
 1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun & 1 pistol
 1 Air Warning NCO
 1 pistol & 1 350ccm motorcycle
 2 Messengers/Machine Gunners (in passenger vehicle)
 2 pistols & 1 LMG
 1 Driver
 1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)

1st Flak Troop:

1 Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
6 Gunners
 3 pistols & 3 rifles
3 (later 2) Munitions Handlers
 3 (later 2) rifles
1 Range Finder Operator
 1 pistol
2 Drivers
 2 rifles, 1 2-ton Truck Maultier (Sd Kfz 3) for munitions
 and 1 Sd Kfz 7/1 self propelled gun carriage with a
 quad 20mm Flak gun

2nd Flak Troop:

same as 1st Troop

3rd Flak Troop:

same as 1st Troop

Vehicle Maintenance Squad

1 warrant officer, 10 NCOs, 44/43 soldiers, 48/47 rifles, 7 pistols, 5 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun, 5 4.5 ton trucks, 1 3-ton truck, 1 Sd Kfz 10, Sd Kfz 2 9/1 6 ton half track mounted crane, 1 3ton crane truck, 1 Work Shop Truck, 1 2-ton truck, 2 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen), 1 Sd Ah 23 Trailer, 1 heavy machine shop trailer,

Field Train/Medical Detachment:

6 NCOs, 21/17 soldiers, 13 4rifles, 14/10 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 1 LMG, 1 350ccm motorcycle with sidecar, 1 Sd Kfz 251/8 ambulance half track (with 1 submachine gun & 1 LMG) 1 2-ton truck, 4 4.5 ton truck & 3 3-ton trucks

Administration and Supply

1 Officer, 1 warrant officer, 9/8 NCOs, 61/43 soldiers, 65/45 rifles, 7 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 2 LMGs, 1 4.5 ton truck for fuel, 7 4.5 ton trucks for fuel transport, 16 4.5 ton trucks for munitions

Battalion Administration:

1 NCO, 5/3 soldiers, 6/4 rifles, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen) (later deleted), & 2 4.5 ton trucks

Baggage:

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

Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	1	2
Armored Recon Platoon	1	-	7	33
Signals Platoon	1	-	12	5
Recon & Pioneer Platoon	1	-	8	44
Flak Platoon	-	-	5	39/36
Vehicle Maintenance	-	1	10	44/43
Field Train I	-	-	6	21/17
Admin & Supply	1	1	9/8	61/43
Administration	-	-	1	5/4
Baggage	-	-	1	3
Total	5	2	60/59	257/227

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