

**German Army  
Authorized Strength  
Armored Reconnaissance Company  
(Armored Car)  
1 November 1943**

Staff

1 Company Commander (officer)  
    1 pistol  
1 Company Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 submachine gun  
1 Corpsman (NCO)  
    1 pistol  
1 Messenger  
    1 rifle  
4 Motorcycle Messengers  
    4 rifles, 2 350ccm motorcycles & 2 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkrads  
2 Drivers  
    2 rifles & 2 light four seat passenger vehicles (volkswagen)

1st (Heavy) Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (and Car Commander) (officer)  
    1 pistol  
1 Assistant Platoon Leader (and Car Commander) (NCO)  
    1 pistol  
1 Armored Car Troop Leader (and Car Commander) (NCO)  
    1 pistol  
3 Panzerführer (NCOs)  
    3 pistols  
6 Armored Car Drivers  
    6 pistols, 3 Sd Kfz 231 Armored Cars & 3 Sd Kfz 232 Armored  
    Cars (both armed with 1 20mm & 1 machine gun)

2nd (Light) Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (Officer)  
    1 pistol  
1 Assistant Platoon Leader (NCO)  
    1 pistol  
2 Panzerführer (NCOs)  
    2 pistols  
6 Armored Car Drivers  
    6 pistols, 4 Sd Kfz 222/1 Armored Cars & 2 Sd Kfz 223 Armored  
    Cars.  
2 Panzerführer  
    2 pistols  
4 Panzer Gunners  
    4 pistols  
2 Radio Operators  
    2 pistols  
6 Light Machine Guns (apparently not affixed to armored cars)

3rd (Light) Platoon:

    same as 2nd Platoon, but officer replaced by NCO

4th (Light) Platoon:

    same as 3rd Platoon

Vehicle Maintenance:

4 NCOs, 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, 8 soldiers, 10 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 submachine gun, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen) & 3 3-ton trucks

Baggage:

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

Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	2	7
1st Platoon	1	-	11	12
2nd Platoon	1	-	9	8
3rd Platoon	-	-	10	8
4th Platoon	-	-	10	8
Vehicle Maintenance	-	-	4	9
Field Train	-	-	4	8
Baggage	-	-	1	3
Total	3	-	51	63

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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