Organization of Miscellaneous Russian Rifle Brigades 1943

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1st Guard (mot) Rifle Brigade (as of 12/4/43)
     1st Rifle Battalion (27/96/331)<sup>1</sup>
          (3 45mm AT guns, 3 82mm mortars, 6 LMGs & 3 HMGs)
     2nd Rifle Battalion (20/101/351)
          (3 45mm AT guns, 4 82mm mortars, 11 LMGs & 4 HMGs)
     3rd Rifle Battalion (26/134/363)
          (4 45mm AT guns, 2 82mm mortars, 7 LMGs & 4 HMGs)
     1 Mortar Battalion (4 120mm & 8 82mm mortars) (21/46/126)
     1 Artillery Battalion (19/67/131) (10 76.2mm guns)
     1 AA Machine Gun Company (4/44/3)
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company (3/22/41)
     1 Submachine Gun Company (3/22/74)
     1 Reconnaissance Company (5/63/73)
     1 Staff Company (5/28/50)
     1 Technical Services Company (6/27/51)
     1 Pioneer/Miner Company (8/23/79)
     1 Transportation Company (5/17/98)
     1 Medical Platoon (8/5/25)
     1 Brigade Staff (40/21/34)
3rd Guard (mot) Rifle Birgade: (3,200 men) (asof 8/24/43)
     3 (mot) Rifle Battalions
     1 Artillery Battalion (12 76.2mm guns)
     1 Mortar Battalion (12 82mm mortars & 6 120mm mortars)
     1 Reconnaissance Company (7 armored cars)
     1 Submachine Gun Company (90 men)
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Comany (36 AT rifles & 80 men)
5th Guard Rifle Brigade: (as of 8/7/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions
          3 Rifle Companies (110 men ea)
          1 Machine Gun Company (50 men)
          1 Submachine Gun Company (50 men)
          1 Mortar Company (82mm mortars0
          1 Pioneer Platoon
          1 Anti-Tank Rifle Platoon
     1 Machine Gun Battalion (3 cos)
     1 Submachine Gun Battalion (3 cos)
     1 Mortar Battalion (3 btrys of 120mm mortars)
     1 Anti-Tank Battalion (3 btrys, 45mm guns)
     1 Artillery Battalion (3 btrys, 76.2mm guns)
<u>6th Guard (mot) Rifle Brigade</u> (as of 8/12/43)
     454th Guard (mot) Rifle Battalion, with
          3 Rifle Companies
          1 Anti-Tank Rifle Platoon
          1 Submachine Gun Platoon
          1 Anti-Tank Gun Section (2-45mm guns)
          1 Mortar Section (4 mortars)
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¹ Numbers are officers, NCOs, and men.

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455th Guard (mot) Rifle Battalion (same as 454th Bn)
     456th Guard (mot) Rifle Battalion (same as 454th Bn)
     464th Guard (mot) Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)
     468th Guard Flak Battalion
     1 Mortar Battalion
     1 Medical Battalion
     1 Staff Company
     1 Reconnaissance Company
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
     1 Administration Company
     1 Miner Company
     1 Supply Company
     1 Submachine Gun Company
     1 Flak Machine Gun Company (formed later)
6th Guard (mot) Rifle Brigade (as of 10/14/43)
     454th Guard (mot) Rifle Battalion, with
          3 Rifle Companies
          1 Anti-Tank Rifle Platoon
          1 Submachine Gun Platoon
          1 Anti-Tank Gun Section (2-45mm guns)
          1 Mortar Section (4 mortars)
     455th Guard (mot) Rifle Battalion (same as 454th Bn)
     456th Guard (mot) Rifle Battalion (same as 454th Bn)
     464th Guard (mot) Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)
     468th Guard Flak Battalion
     1 Mortar Battalion
     1 Mortar Regiment (120mm mortars)
8th Guard Rifle Brigade (as of 3/27/43)
     3 Rifle Battalions
          (3 Rifle Cos of 120-150 men; mortar company, HMG company,
          SMG Platoon)
    Machine Gun Battalion (3 cos)
    Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)
10th Guard Rifle Brigade (as of 6/9/43)
     3 Rifle Battalions
    1 Submachine Gun Battalion
    Mortar Battalion
    Machine Gun Battalion
     Pioneer Battalion (?)
    Reconnaissance Battalion (?)
    Anti-Tank Battalion (4 45mm guns)
    Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)
13th Guard (mech) Brigade: (as of 7/22/43)
     3 Rifle Battalions
     1 Machine Gun Company
     1 Mortar Company
     1 Anti-Tank Platoon (2 76.2mm & 2 45mm guns)
34th Guard Rifle Brigade (as of 6/3/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions (300 men ea)
     1 Submachine Gun Battalion (about 200 men)
    Mortar Battalion
    Machine Gun Battalion
    Anti-Tank Battalion (4 45mm guns)
    Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)
34th Guard (mech) Brigade: (as of 9/10/43)
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3 Rifle Battalions
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- 3 Rifle Companies
- 1 Machine Gun Company
- 1 Mortar Battery (82mm mortars)
- 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company (16 AT rifles)
- 1 Truck Company (should have 40 trucks, has 4 trucks)

1 Armored Regiment

- 3 Cos, each should 11 T-34 tanks
- 1 Co, should have 11 T-70 tanks
- 1 Submachine Gun Company
- 1 Artillery Battalion (3 btrys, 76.2mm guns
- 1 Mortar Battalion (3 cos with 82mm and 122mm mortars)
- 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company (20 AT rifles)
- 1 Submachine Gun Company (125 men)
- 1 Engineer Company
- 1 Reconnaissance Company (8 American two axle light trucks, 2 with LMGs)
- 1 Workshop Company

4th (mot) Rifle Brigade: (as of 7/13/43)

454th (mot) Rifle Battalion

455th (mot) Rifle Battalion

456th (mot) Rifle Battalion

464th Artillery Battalion

460th Mortar Battalion

13th (mot) Rifle Brigade: (as of 3/17/43)

- 3 (mot) Rifle Battalions
- 1 Artillery Battalion
- 1 Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1 Mortar Battalion
- 1 Flak Battalion
- 1 Anti-Tank Company
- 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
- 1 Submachine Gun Company
- 1 Technical Company
- 1 Supply Company

14th Rifle Brigade (as of 7/8/43)

3 Rifle Battalions (3 cos, each with 50-60 men, 6-8 LMGs, 2 light mortars; plus 1 Machine Gun Co with 30 men, 5 HMGs;

1 Mortar Co with 5-6 82mm mortars)

Pioneer Battalion

Reconnaissance Battalion

Artillery Battalion (horse drawn 45mm and 76.2mm guns)

14th Rifle Brigade (as of 7/26/43)

3 Rifle Battalions

(2nd Bn had 3 cos, 1 MG co, 1 SMG platoon, 1 recon platoon & 1 AT rifle platoon)

Pioneer Company

Reconnaissance Company

Artillery Battalion

14th Rifle Brigade: (as of 9/23/43)

- 3 Rifle Battalions (3 cos ea)
- 1 Machine Gun Company
- 1 Mortar Company
- 1 Submachine Gun Company
- 1 Anti-Tank Company (76.2mm guns)

1 Engineer Platoon 1 Reconnaissance Platoon 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Platoon 1 Sharpshooter Platoon 15th (mot) Rifle Brigade (as of 9/10/43) 3 Rifle Battalions 3 Rifle Companies (100 men, 2 HMGs, 2 LMGs & 44 SMGs ea) 1 Machine Gun Company (12 HMGs) 1 Anti-Tank Company (12 AT rifles ea) 1 Mortar Company 1 Artillery Detafchment (3 76.2mm guns & 25 men) 19th Rifle Brigade (as of 7/9/43) 3 Rifle Battalions 1 Machine Gun Battalion 1 Submachine Gun Battalion Mortar Battalion (120mm mortars) Anti-Tank Battalion (4 45mm guns) Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns) 24th Rifle Brigade (as of 6/26/43) 3 Rifle Battalions Machine Gun Company Ampule Thrower Company Anti-Tank Rifle Company Assault Battalion (2 cos) 2 Assault Companies Transportation Company 24th Rifle Brigade (as of 8/1/43) 3 Rifle Battalions 1 Machine Gun Company 1 Ampule Thrower Company 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company 1 Transportation Battalion 1 Assault Battalion (2 cos) 2 Independent Assault Companies 26th (mot) Rifle Brigade (as of 11/6/43) 3 Rifle Battalions, each with: (12 HMGS, 18 LMGs, 6 82mm mortars ea) 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company (12 AT rifles) 1 Submachine Gun Company (34 SMGs) 1 Mortar Battalion (10 120mm mortars) 1 Artillery Battalion (15-76.2mm guns) 1 Armored Reconnaissance Company (6 T-60 Tanks & 3 Armored Cars) 1 Submachine Gun Reconnaissance Company (30 SMGs) 1 Transportation Company (50 trucks) 1 Technical Support Company 1 Signals Company 31st <u>Rifle Brigade</u> (as of 11/16/43) 4 Rifle Battalions, each with 3 Rifle Cos 1 Machinegun Co 1 SMG Company 1 Mortar Company Machine Gun Battalion

Submachine Gun Battalion

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31st Rifle Brigade (as of 12/13/43)
     3 Rifle Battalions, each with 3 rifle cos)
     1 Machine Gun Battalion
     1 Transportation Company
     1 Engineer Platoon
34th Rifle Brigade
     3 Rifle Battalions
     1 Machine Gun Company
     1 Ampule Thrower Company
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
     1 Transportation Company
36th Rifle Brigade: (as of 9/6/43)
     3 Rifle Battalions (450-500 men)
     1 Machine Gun Battalion
     1 Engineer Battalion
     1 Artillery Battalion
     1 Anti-Tank Battalion
10th Independent Artillery Battalion: (Assigned to 48th Rifle Brigade
     and divided as follows)
     1st Battery (4 76.2mm guns)
     2nd Battery (4 122mm quns)
     3rd Battery (2 76.2mm guns & 2 122mm guns)
42nd Rifle Brigade (as of 3/22/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions (4th bn not at full strength)
          3 rifle companies, each with 160 men, 9 LMGs, & 2 HMGs.
          Mortar Platoon with 3 light & 1 heavy mortar.
     Artillery Battalion (unknown strength)
    Armored Detachment (10 light tanks)
56th (mot) Rifle Brigade: (as of 9/1/43)
     3 (mot) Rifle Battalions
     1 Staff Company
     1 Artillery Battalion
     1 Flak Battalion
     1 Mortar Battalion
     1 Reconnaissance Company
     1 Submachine Gun Company
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
     1 Miner Company
     1 Transportation Company
     1 Supply Company
     1 Medical Platoon
57th (mot) Rifle Brigade: (as of 8/1/43)
     3 (mot) Rifle Battalions
     1 Mortar Battalion
     1 Artillery Battalion (16 76.2mm guns)
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
     1 Anti-Tank Company (45mm AT guns)
58th (mot) Rifle Brigade: (as of 8/31/43, after rebuilding)
     3 (mot) Rifle Battalions, each with:
          3 Rifle Companies (12 LMGs & 2 HMGs ea)
          1 Machine Gun Company (9 HMGs)
          1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company (18 AT rifles)
          1 Mortar Battery (6-82mm mortars)
          1 AT Battery (4-45mm AT guns)
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Artillery Battalion

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1 Signals Platoon
     1 Mortar Battalion
          2 Companies (6 82mm mortars ea)
          1 Company (6 120mm mortars)
     1 Artillery Battalion (12 76.2mm guns)
     1 Submachine Gun Company (102 men & 102 SMGs)
     1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company (27 AT rifles)
     1 Flak Machine Gun Company (9 12.7mm HMGs)
     1 Staff Company
     1 Supply Company
     1 Medical Platoon
71st Rifle Brigade (as of 5/15/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions
          (75 men & 6 LMGs per co))
     1 Machine Gun Company
     1 Anti-Tank Company
     1 Transportation Company
74th Stalin Rifle Brigade (as of 1/14/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions
     Machine Gun Battalion
     Artillery Battalion
     Anti-Tank Battalion
     Heavy Mortar Battalion (120mm mortars)
     Mortar Battalion (50mm & 82mm mortars)
     Submachine Gun Battlaion
     Signals Company
     Reconnaissance Company
     Engineer Company
    Medical Company
     Flak Platoon
90th Rifle Brigade (as of 1/29/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions
     Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)
     Artillery Battalion (47mm guns)
     Heavy Mortar Battalion
     Submachine Gun Company
     Signals Company
     Reconnaissance Company
     Engineer Company
     Medical Company
     Flak Platoon
     NKVD Platoon
100th Rifle Brigade (as of 11/1/43)
     4 Rifle Battalions
     1 Submachine Gun Battalion
     1 Mortar Battalion (120mm mortars)
     1 Artillery Battalion (4 btrys, 76.2mm guns)
     1 Anti-Tank Company
     1 Signals Company
     1 Reconnaissance Company
     1 Pioneer Company
101st "National" Rifle Brigade (11/14/43) (about 3,000 men)
     3 Rifle Battalions
     Anti-Tank Battalion (12 45mm guns)
     Artillery Battalion (4 btrys of 76.2mm guns)
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Machine Gun Battalion (12 120mm mortars, 22 light mortars)

- 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
- 1 Submachine Gun Company
- 1 Pioneer Company
- 1 Signals Company

101st Rifle Brigade (as of 6/24/43)

- 4 Rifle Battalions (each with 4 cos of 130 men)
- 2 Artillery Battalions (76.2mm guns)

Mortar Battalion

Pioneer Company

Submachine Gun Battalion

Anti-Tank Rifle Company

(brigade is only half equipped)

106th Rifle Brigade (as of 5/2/43)

4 Rifle Battalions

Machine Gun Battalion

Submachine Gun Battalion

Reconnaissance Company

Signals Company

Transportation Company

medical Company

248th Rifle Brigade: (as of 10/30/43)

- 4 Rifle Battalions
- 1 Artillery Battalion
 - 3 Btrys (2 long & 2 short 76.2mm guns ea)
- 1 Anti-Tank Battalion (3 btrys of 45mm guns)
- 1 Mortar Battalion (6 120mm mortars)
- 1 Signals Battalion
- 1 Medical Company
- 1 Supply Company

1st Rifle Battalion, 111th Rifle Brigade (as of 5/21/43)

- 3 Rifle Companies
- 1 SMG Company
- 1 Machine Gun Company (12 Maxim HMGs)
- 1 Mortar Company (82mm mortars)
- 1 Anti-Tank Company
- 1 Reconnaissance Platoon
- 1 Signals Platoon
- 1 Engineer Platoon
- 1 Medical Platoon

6th Naval Rifle Brigade (as of 6/1/43)

3 Rifle Battalions

Mortar Battalion

Artillery Battalion (76.2mm guns)

- 1 Reconnaissance Company
- 1 Pioneer Company
- 1 Anti-Tank Company
- 1 Medical Company
- 1 Transportation Company

3rd Naval Rifle Brigade: (as of 9/30/43)

- 4 Rifle Battalion
- 1 Machine Gun Battalion
- 1 Artillery Battalion
- 1 Mortar Batatlion (50mm & 82mm mortars)

Anti-Tank Battalion

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Pioneer Company
     Signals Company
     Submachine Gun Company
    Medical Company
84th Naval Rifle Brigade (as of 5/9/43)
     4 Rifle Battalion
          4 Rifle Companies
          1 Machine Gun Company
          1 Mortar Company
          1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
          1 Engineer Company
          1 Signals Company
    Mortar Batatlion
          (50mm & 82mm mortars)
    Artillery Battalion (400 men)
          (45mm AT guns & AT rifles)
    Machine Gun Battalion
     Pioneer Company
     Signals Company
    Medical Company
<u>260th Naval Brigade</u>: (as of 9/23/43)
     4 Rifle Battalion (about 750-800 men ea)
          3 Rifle Companies
          1 Machine Gun Company
          1 Mortar Platoon (3 82mm mortars)
    Mortar Batatlion
     Pioneer Company
     Searchlight Company
     Signals Company
64th Mechanized Brigade: (as of 10/26/43)
     1 Armored Battalion
     3 (mot) Rifle Battalions
     1 Mortar Battalion
     1 Artillery Battalion
          3 Btrys, each with 4-76.2mm guns and towed by American
               Studebaker trucks
67th Mechanized Brigade: (as of 11/16/43) (536 officers & 1720 men)
    Brigade Staff
     3 (mot) Rifle Battalions (4 45mm & 2 57mm AT guns, 13 HMGs,
          34 LMGs)
     Armored Regiment (10 AT-34 & 5 Mk-3 Tanks)
     Staff Company
    Artillery Battalion (9 76.2mm guns)
    Mortar Battalion
    Reconnaissance Company (4 BA-64 armored cars)
     Submachine Gun Company
    Anti-Tank Rifle Company (12 AT rifles)
     Flak Machine Gun Company
     Technical Support Company
     Engineer Company
     Transportation Company
    Medical Platoon
    Political Detachment
19th Independent Ski Brigade (as of 2/21/43)
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Reconnaissance Company

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I Ski Battalions (548 men)
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- 3 Ski Rifle Companies (9 off, 35 NCOs & 92 men theoretical)
- 1 Mortar Company (9 50mm mortars) (65 men theoretical)
- 1 Reconnaissance Platoon
- 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Platoon (2 AT guns & 18-22 men theoretical)

II Ski Battalions (480 men)

III Ski Battalions (500 men)

Mortar Battalion (210 men)

Machine Gun Battalion (200 men)

Engineer Company

Reconnaissance Company (91 men)

Signals Company (45 men)

Anti-Tank Company (55 men)

49th Independent Ski Brigade: (January 1943)

6 Ski Battalions, each with:

- 6 Ski Rifle Companies
- 1 Machine Gun Company
- 1 Artillery Battalion
- 1 Machine Gun Company (60 men & 9 HMGs)
- 1 Anti-Tank Rifle Company
- 1 Engineer Company
- 1 Signals Company

78th Independent Ski Brigade: (January 1943)

- 3 Ski Battalions, each with:
 - 3 Ski Rifle Companies
 - 1 Machine Gun Platoon (4 HMGs)
 - 1 Miner/Engineer Platoon (42 men)
 - 1 Mortar Platoon (3 50mm mortars)
- 1 Mortar Battalion

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