

**German Army  
Authorized Strength  
Bicycle Fusilier Company  
1 September 1944**

Company Staff:

1 Company Commander (officer)  
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle  
1 Company Troop Leader (NCO)  
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle  
1 Corpsman  
    1 pistol & 1 bicycle  
6 Messengers  
    6 submachine guns & 6 bicycles  
Sharpshooters (initially 6 soldiers, later 1 NCO & 5 soldiers)  
    6 rifles & 6 bicycles

1st (Submachine Gun) Platoon

1 Platoon Leader (officer)  
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle  
2 Messengers  
    2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles  
1 Assistant Master Weapons Master  
    1 submachine guns & 1 bicycle  
1st & 2nd Submachine Gun Group  
2 Group Leaders (NCOs)  
    2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles  
16 Soldiers  
    16 submachine guns & 16 bicycles

3rd Group:

1 Group Leader (NCO)  
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle  
5 Riflemen & Machine Gunners  
    1 pistol, 4 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun  
    & 5 bicycles  
3 Riflemen with Grenade Launchers  
    3 rifles, 3 grenade launchers & 3 bicycles

2nd (Submachine Gun) Platoon

Same as 1st, but officer replaced by NCO

3rd (Bicycle) Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (NCO)  
    1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle  
2 Messengers  
    2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles  
1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith  
    1 rifle & 1 bicycle  
1 Corpsman  
    1 pistol & 1 bicycle  
1st & 2nd Groups:  
2 Group Leaders (NCOs)  
    2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles  
16 Riflemen & Machine Gunners  
    12 rifles, 2 submachine guns, 2 pistols, 3 light machine  
    guns & 16 bicycles

3rd Group:

- 1 Group Leader (NCO)
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 5 Riflemen & Machine Gunners
  - 1 pistol, 4 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun & 5 bicycles
- 3 Riflemen with Grenade Launchers
  - 3 rifles, 3 grenade launchers & 3 bicycles

4th (Heavy Bicycle) Platoon:

- 1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 2 Messengers
  - 2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
- 1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith
  - 1 rifle & 1 bicycle
- 1 Driver for RSO
  - 1 rifle & 1 Raupenschlepper Ost for Munitions, Equipment & baggage
- 1 Assistant RSO Driver
  - 1 rifle

Heavy Machine Gun Group

- 1 Group Leader (NCO)
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 2 Weapons Leaders (NCOs)
  - 2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles
- 1 Messenger
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 2 Lead Machine Gunners
  - 2 rifles & 2 bicycle
- 8 Machine Gunners
  - 6 rifles, 2 pistols, & 2 light machine guns

80mm Mortar Group

- 1 Group Leader (NCO)
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 1 Aiming NCO
  - 1 pistol & 1 bicycle
- 1 Positions NCO
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
  - 1 rifle & 1 bicycle
- 10 Mortar Crew
  - 4 rifles, 6 pistols, 2 80mm mortars, & 10 bicycles

5th (Light Infantry Gun) Platoon

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer)
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle
- 1 Aiming NCO
  - 1 pistol & 1 bicycle
- 2 Radio Operators
  - 2 rifles, 2 radios & 2 bicycles
- 4 Telephone Talkers
  - 3 rifles, 1 submachine gun, & 4 bicycles

Light Infantry Gun Section:

- 1 Position (NCO)
  - 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle

2 Gun Commanders (NCO)  
     2 submachine guns & 2 bicycles  
 1 Aiming Circle Operator  
     1 rifle & 1 bicycle  
 12 Gunners  
     11 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 light machine gun, 2 37mm  
     infantry support guns, & 11 bicycles  
 1 Vehicle Attendant  
     1 rifle  
 2 Drivers  
     2 rifles & 2 RSO Raupenschlepper Ost for Munitions &  
     baggage

Field Train:

5 NCOs, 15 soldiers, 12 heavy pack horses, 17 rifles, 2 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 1 light machine gun, 6 HF1 2 horse wagons, 1 3 ton truck, & 4 bicycles

Totals:

	Warrant			
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	2/3	16/15
1st Platoon	1	-	3	28
2nd Platoon	-	-	4	28
3rd Platoon	-	-	4	28
4th Platoon	-	-	7	30
5th Platoon	1	-	4	23
Field Train	-	-	5	15

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