German Army Authorized Strength Heavy Company Fusilier Battalion 1 October 1944

Staff: 1 Company Commander (officer) 1 horse & 1 submachine gun 1 Company Troop Leader (NCO) 1 submachine gun & 1 bicycle 1 Radio Operator 1 radio, 1 rifle, 1 bicycle 1 Corpsman 1 pistol & 1 bicycle 3 Field Radio Operators 3 radios, 3 rifles & 3 bicycles 1 Motorized Messenger 1 Sd Kfz 2, 1 submachine gun, 1 trailer $\frac{2}{1}$ $\frac{\text{Light}}{\text{Troop}}$ $\frac{\text{Field}}{\text{Leader}}$ $\frac{\text{Cable}}{\text{(NCO)}}$ $\frac{\text{Troops}}{}$: 1 submachine gun 7 Telephone Talkers 6 rifles & 1 submachine gun 2 Drivers from the saddle 1 rifles, 2 Jf8 carts & 4 Horses 2 Jf8 Carts 1st (Heavy Machine Gun Bicycle) Platoon, with a total: 1 Platoon Leader 1 horse & 1 submachine gun 3 Messengers 3 submachine guns & 3 bicycles 1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith 1 rifle & 1 bicycle 1 Bicycle Repairman 1 rifle & 1 bicycle 1 Stretcher Bearer 1 pistol & 1 bicycle 1 Horse Attendant for Officer's horse 1 rifle & 1 bicycle 2 Drivers from the Saddle 2 rifles 2 Wagon Drivers 2 rifles, 2 wagons & 8 horses 6 Heavy Machine Guns: 3 Group Leaders 3 submachine guns & 3 bicycles 6 Weapons Leaders 6 submachine guns & 6 bicycles 6 Gunners 6 pistols, 6 heavy machine guns, & 6 bicycles 24 Machine Gun Riflemen 18 rifles, 6 pistols, & 24 bicycles 6 Jf8 Infantry Carts for munitions & equipment & 12 horses 6 Jf8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn

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2nd (80mm Mortar) Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
     1 submachine gun & 1 horse
3 Messengers
     3 submachine guns & 3 bicycles
6 Radio Operators
     6 rifles, 6 radios & 6 bicycles
1 Bicycle Repairman
     1 rifle & 1 bicycle
1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith
     1 rifle
1 Blacksmith
     1 rifle & 1 bicycle
1 Corpsman
     1 pistol & 1 bicycle
     6 80mm Mortars
     3 Group Leaders (NCOs)
          3 submachine guns & 3 bicycles
     3 Aiming Circle NCOs
          3 pistols & 3 bicycles
     3 Positions NCOs
          3 submachine guns & 3 bicycles
     30 Mortar Crewman
          12 rifles, 18 pistols, 6 80mm mortars & 30 bicycles
     15 Drivers from the saddle
          15 rifles
     3 Wagon Drivers
          3 rifles
     24 Horses, 12 Jf 8 Infantry Carts
     12 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn
     3 Four Horse Wagons for munitions & baggage, 12 horses
3rd (120mm ) Motorized Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
     1 submachine gun
1 Aiming Circle NCO
     1 pistol
1 Aiming Circle II Soldier
     1 pistol
1 Messenger
     1 pistol
3 Radio Operators
     3 rifles, 3 radios
2 Motorcycle Messengers
     2 350ccm motorcycles & 2 submachine guns
1 Assistant Master Weapons Smith
     1 rifle
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 RSO Raupenschlepper Ost
     \frac{4}{1} \frac{120\text{mm}}{\text{Positions NCO}}
          1 submachine gun
     4 Mortar Commanders (NCOs)
          4 submachine guns
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20 Mortar Crewmen

18 rifles, 2 pistols, 4 120mm mortars, 2 light machine guns

- 4 Raupenschlepper Ost tracked vehicles
- 1 3ton Munitions Truck

Field Train:
7 NCOs, 15 soldiers, 2 riding horses, 18 light draft horses, 2 heavy draft horses, 17 rifles, 4 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 1 light machine gun, 7 horse drawn vehicles & 6 bicycles

Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	_	4	15
1st Platoon	1	_	9	48
2nd Platoon	_	_	10	61
3rd Platoon	1	_	7	39
Field Train	-	_	7	15

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