

**German Army
Authorized Strength
Heavy Company
Infantry Battalion
1 May 1944**

Staff

- 1 Company Commander (officer)
 - 1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
- 1 Troop Commander (NCO)
 - 1 submachine gun
- 1 Radio Operator
 - 1 rifle & 1 radio
- 1 Corpsman
 - 1 pistol & 1 bicycle
- 2 Mounted Messengers
 - 2 horses & 2 rifles
- 3 Radio Operators
 - 3 radios & 3 rifles
- 1 Motorcycle Messenger
 - 1 rifle & 1 Sd Kfz 2 Kettenkraftkrad
- 2 Light Field Cable Troops:
 - 1 Troop Leader (NCO)
 - 1 submachine gun
 - 9 Telephone Talkers
 - 8 rifles & 1 submachine gun
 - 2 Jf8 Infantry Carts & 2 horses
 - 2 Jf8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn
- 1st Heavy Machine Gun Platoon:
 - 1 Platoon Commander (officer)
 - 1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
 - 3 Messengers
 - 3 rifles
 - 1 Range Finder Operator
 - 1 pistol
 - 1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
 - 1 rifle
 - 1 Stretcher Bearer
 - 1 pistol
 - 1 Horse Attendant for Officer's horse
 - 1 rifle
 - 2 Wagon Drivers
 - 2 rifles, 2 Panjewagons & 4 horses
 - 6 Heavy Machine Guns
 - 3 Group Leaders
 - 3 submachine guns
 - 6 gun Leaders
 - 6 submachine guns
 - 6 Machine Gunners
 - 6 pistols
 - 24 Machine Gun Riflemen
 - 18 rifles, 6 pistols & 6 MG42 heavy machine guns
 - 6 Horse Leaders
 - 6 rifles, 6 Jf8 Infantry Carts & 6 horses
 - 6 Jf8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn

2nd (80mm Mortar) Platoon

1 Platoon Leader (NCO)
 1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
3 Messengers
 3 rifles
6 Radio Operators
 6 rifles & 6 field radios
1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
 1 rifle
1 Stretcher Bearer
 1 pistol
 6 80mm Mortars Gr. W. 34:
 3 Group Leaders
 3 submachine guns
 3 Direction Ring NCOs
 3 pistols
 3 Position Commanders
 3 submachine guns
30 Mortar Crewmen
 12 rifles, 18 pistols, 6 Gr.W. 34 80mm Mortars
12 Horse Leaders for Jf 8 Infantry Carts
 12 rifles, 12 Jf 8 Infantry Carts & 12 horses
12 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn
 3 Panjewagons & 6 horses

3rd (120mm Mortar) Platoon

1 Platoon Leader (officer)
 1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
1 Direction Ring NCO
 1 pistol
1 Range Finder Operator
 1 pistol
1 Messenger
 1 rifle
3 Radio Operators
 3 rifles & 3 field radios
1 Assistant Master gunsmith
 1 rifle
1 Motorcycle Messenger
 1 submachine gun & 1 350ccm motorcycle
1 Truck Driver
 1 Rifle & 1 4 seat Light Personnel Vehicle
Light Field Cable Troop:
1 Troop Leader (NCO)
 1 submachine gun
3 Telephone Operators
 3 rifles
1 Truck Driver
 1 rifle & 1 RSO Raupenschlepper Ost
4 120mm Mortars Gr. W. 34:
1 Position NCO
 1 submachine gun
4 Mortar Commanders
 4 submachine guns
20 Mortar Crewmen
 18 rifles, 2 pistols, 4 120mm Mortars

2 Light Machine Guns

5 Truck Drivers

5 rifles, 4 Raupenschlepper Ost, 1 3 ton Munitions Truck

Field Train

7 NCOs, 10 soldiers, 2 riding horses, 12 light draft horses, 2 heavy draft horses, 12 rifles, 4 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 1 light machine gun, 6 horse drawn vehicles, & 1 bicycle

Totals:

	Warrant			
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	-	4	15
1st Platoon	-	-	9	45
2nd Platoon	-	-	10	56
3rd Platoon	1	-	7	39
Field Train	-	-	7	10
Total	3	-	37	156

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