# German Army Authorized Strength Machine Gun Company

#### Mountain Machine Gun Battalion 1 November 1944

## Staff: 1 Company Commander (officer) 1 mountain horse & 1 submachine gun 1 Company Troop Commander 1 submachine gun 1 Weapons NCO 1 rifle 1 Corpsman 1 rifle & 1 bicycle 4 Messengers 4 submachine guns & 2 bicycles 6 Radio Operators 6 rifles & 6 field radios 1 Corpsman 1 pistol 2 Stretcher Bearers 2 pistols 2 Horse Leaders for Jf 8 Infantry Carts 2 rifles, 2 Jf 8 Infantry Carts & 2 horses 2 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, horse drawn 2 Light Mountain Field Cable Troops 2 Telephone Troop Leaders (NCOs) 2 submachine guns 10 Telephone Talkers 10 rifles 2 Jf 8 Infantry Carts & 2 horses 2 Jf 8 Infantry Carts, hand drawn 1 Heavy Machine Gun Platoon: 1 Platoon Leader (NCO) 1 submachine gun 2 Messengers 2 submachine guns 1 Range Finder Operator 1 pistol 1 Assistant Master Gunsmith 1 rifle 1 Wagon Driver 1 rifle, 1 Pleskau 2 Wagon & 2 horses 4 Heavy Machine Guns 2 Group Leaders (NCOs) 2 submachine guns 4 Weapons Leaders (NCOs) 4 submachine guns 16 Machine Gunners

2nd (Heavy Machine Gun) Platoon:
same as 1st platoon, but officer replaced by NCO

4 Jf 8 Infantry Carts & 4 horses

8 rifles, 8 pistols, & 4 MG42 heavy machine guns

### 3rd (Heavy Machine Gun) Platoon:

same as 1st platoon, but officer replaced by NCO

 $\frac{\text{Field}}{7 \text{ NCOs}}$ ,  $\frac{\text{Troop}}{18 \text{ soldiers}}$ , 1 riding horse, 20 light pack horses, 5 pack horses, 18 rifles, 3 pistols, 4 submachine guns, 12 horse drawn wagons, 2 bicycles.

### Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Troop Command	1	_	5	25
1st Platoon	1	_	6	25
2nd Platoon	-	_	7	25
3rd Platoon	-	_	7	25
Field Train	-	_	7	18
Total	2	_	32	118

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