

**German Army**  
**Authorized Strength**  
**Mountain Battery (4-75mm guns)**  
**1 April 1944**

Staff

- 1 Battery Commander (officer)
  - 2 horses & 1 submachine gun
- 1 Advanced Observation Officer
  - 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
- 1 Observation NCO
  - 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
- 2 Forward Observers (NCOs)
  - 1 rifle & 1 pistol
- 1 Scissors Telescope NCO
  - 1 pistol
- 2 Aiming Circle NCOs
  - 1 horse & 2 pistols
- 1 Mounted Messenger (NCO)
  - 1 horse & 1 rifle
- 1 Gunfire Solution Calculator
  - 1 rifle
- 1 Mounted Messenger
  - 1 horse & 1 rifle
- 1 Horse Attendant
  - 1 rifle
- 1 Pack Horse leader
  - 1 pack horse & 1 rifle
- 1 Driver
  - 1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)

Machine Gun Troop:

- 3 Machine Gunners (including 1 Leader)
  - 1 rifle, 2 pistols & 2 light machine guns
- 2 Pack Horse Leaders (machine gun equipment)
  - 2 horses & 2 rifles

Pioneer Troop:

- 3 Pioneers (including 1 Leader)
  - 3 rifles
- 3 Pack Horse Leaders (pioneer equipment)
  - 3 rifles & 3 pack horses

Signals Squad:

- 1 Squad Leader (NCO)
  - 1 horse & 1 submachine gun
- 1 Telephone Talker for exchange
  - 1 rifle
- 2 Pack Horse Leaders
  - 2 pack horses & 2 rifles
- 1st Medium Mountain Field Cable Troop 8
  - 1 Troop Leader (NCO)
    - 1 submachine gun
  - 6 Telephone Talkers
    - 2 pack horses & 6 rifles
- 2nd Medium Mountain Field Cable Troop 8
  - same as 1st Troop

3rd Medium Mountain Field Cable Troop 8

same as 1st Troop

1st Mountain Portable Radio Troop i Mw

5 Radio Operators

1 pistol, 4 rifles & 1 pack horse

2nd Mountain Portable Radio Troop i Mw

1 Troop Leader (NCO)

1 pistol

4 Radio Operators

4 rifles & 1 pack horse

3rd Mountain Portable Radio Troop i Mw

same as 1st

Battle Battery:

1 Battery Officer

1 horse, 1 pistol & 1 submachine gun

1 Hauptwachtmeister (NCO)

1 horse, & 1 submachine gun

2 Platoon Leaders (NCOs)

2 rifles

4 Gun Captains (NCOs)

4 rifles

1 Blacksmith (NCO)

1 rifle

1 Mounted Messenger

1 horse & 1 rifle

34 (later 30) Gunners

34 (later 30) rifles & 4 75mm Mountain Guns 36

2 Assistant Master Gunsmiths (and gunners)

2 rifles

40 (later 36) Pack Horse Leaders (for guns)

40 (later 36) pack horses & 40 (later 36) rifles

2 Pack Horse Leaders for gun accessories

2 pack horses & 2 rifles

Machine Gun Troop:

3 Machine Gunners (including 1 Leader)

2 pistols & 2 light machine guns

2 Pack Horse Leaders (machine gun equipment)

2 horses & 2 rifles

Pioneer Troop:

1 Pioneer

1 rifle

1 Pack Horse Leader (pioneer equipment)

1 rifle & 1 pack horse

Medical Troop:

1 Corpsman (NCO)

1 pistol

1 Corpsman

1 pistol

1 Pack Horse Leader (medical supplies)

1 pack horse & 1 rifle

1st Munitions Squad:

1 Squad Leader (NCO)

1 submachine gun

4 Munitions Handlers

4 rifles  
 16 Pack Horse Leaders (for munitions)  
 16 pack horses & 16 rifles  
2nd Munitions Squad:  
 1 Squad Leader (NCO)  
 1 submachine gun  
 12 (later 6) Pack Horse Leaders (for munitions)  
 12 (later 6) pack horses & 12 (later 6) rifles  
 6 Jf 8 Infantry Carts for tandem use  
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Baggage:

7 NCOs, 30/24 soldiers 2 riding horses, 12/9 pack horses, 20 heavy draft horses, 33/27 rifles, 1 pistol, 3 submachine guns, 1 light machine gun, 6 (later 4) Jf 8 infantry carts, 3 Hf1 wagons, 1 Hf 3/11 small field wagon, 1 Hf 3/12 blacksmith wagon, 2 Hf 12 or Hf 14 field kitchens, 2 Ef 40 Wagons, 1 rack wagon.

Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Staff	2	-	7	16/15
Signals Squad	-	-	5	35
Battle Battery				
Gun Squad	1	-	9	87/73
1st Munitions Squad	-	-	1	20
2nd Munitions Squad	-	-	1	12/6
Battery Baggage	-	-	7	30/24
Total	3	-	30	200/187

Note: Double numbers (25/24) indicate where there is a penciled change in the organization charge. The first number is the original strength and the second number is the penciled revised figure.

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