German Army Authorized Strength (mot) 120mm Mortar Company 1 May 1944

Command:

- 1 Company Commander (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
- 1 Position Officer (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
- 1 Scissors Telescope NCO (1 machine pistol)
- 1 Gun Layer NCO (1 machine pistol)
- 1 Corpsman (NCO) (1 pistol)
- 1 Gun Layer (private) (1 machine pistol)
- 1 Range Finder Operator (private) (1 pistol)
- 3 Messengers (privates) (3 machine pistols & 3 motorcycles)

Signals Squad:

- 1 Squad Leader (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
- 1st & 2nd Light Field Cable Troop 6 (mot)
 - 1 Troop Leader (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
 - 3 Telephone Operators (privates) (3 rifles & 1 2-ton truck)
- 3rd & 4th Light Field Cable Troop 6 (mot)
 - same as 1st, except NCO replaced by private.
- $\underline{\text{1st,}} \ \underline{\text{2nd}} \ \underline{\text{\&}} \ \underline{\text{3rd}} \ \underline{\text{Protable}} \ \underline{\text{Radio}} \ \underline{\text{b}} \ \underline{\text{(mot)}} \ \underline{\text{Troop:}}$
 - 1 Troop Leader (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
 - 2 Radio OPerators (2 rifles & 1 3-seat light truck)
- 4th, 4th & 5th, Protable Radio b (mot) Troop:
 - same as others, except NCO replaced by private

1st Platoon:

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
- 1 Scissors Telescope Operator (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
- 1 Gun Layer (private) (1 machine pistol)
- 1 Truck Driver (1 rifle & 1 kubelwagen)

Mortar Squad:

- 1 Position NCO (1 machine pistol)
- 4 Gun Captains (privates) (4 machine pistols)
- 7 (later 7) Drivers (privates) (8(7) rifles , 4 Sd Kfz 3 trucks, 1 3-ton truck, 3 (later 2) 3-ton Truck)

2nd & 3rd Platoons:

same as 1st platoon, but platoon leader is an NCO

Battle Train:

6 NCOs, 12 privates, 14 rifles, 3 pistols, 3 machine pistols, 1 LMG, 1 motorcycle, 1 kubelwagen, 1 3-seat personnel vehicle, 1 3-ton (later 2-ton) truck, 1 3-ton fuel truck & 1 3-ton Heavy Field Kitchen.

Supply Troop:

2 privates, 1 rifle, 1 machine pistol, 1 2-ton supply truck.

Train:

1 NCO, 3 privates, 3 rifles, 1 machine pistol, 1 3-ton truck for baggage & equipment.

Total:

| | | Warrant | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|
| | Officers | Officers | NCOs | Privates |
| Command | 2 | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| Signals Squad | l 0 | 0 | 6 | 29 |
| 1st Platoon | 1 | 0 | 6 | 34 |
| 2nd Platoon | 0 | 0 | 7 | 34 |
| 3rd Platoon | 0 | 0 | 7 | 34 |
| Battle Train | 0 | 0 | 6 | 12 |
| Supply | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Train | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Total | 3 | 0 | 36 | 156/(153) |

Notes: Numbers in paranthesis are penciled changes made to the organization at a later, unknown date.

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