

**German Army  
Authorized Strength  
Very Heavy Machine Gun  
Self Propelled Company  
8-20mm Flak 38 on Sd Kfz 7/1  
1 April 1944**

Command:

- 1 Company Commander (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
- 1 Company Troop Leader (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
- 1 Corpsman (NCO) (1 pistol)
- 1 Messenger (1 rifle)
- 2 Messengers (2 rifles & 2 motorcycles)
- 1 Driver (1 rifle & 1 kubelwagen)

Signals Squad:

- 1 Squad Leader (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
- 2 Light Field Cable Troops 3 (mot):
  - 1 Troop Leader (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
  - 5 Telephone Operators (privates) (4 rifles, 1 machine pistol, 2 kubelwagens)
- 4 Portable Radio Troops b Ksw (mot):
  - 2 Troop Leaders (2 machine pistols)
  - 10 Radio Operators (8 rifles, 2 machine pistols, 4 kubelwagens)

1st Platoon:

- 1 Platoon Leader (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
- 1 Vehicle Commander (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
- 2 Messenger (1 rifle, 1 machine pistol & 1 motorcycle)
- 1 Assistant Armorer (1 rifle)
- 2 Range Finder Operators (2 pistols)
- 1 Driver (1 rifle & 1 kubelwagen)

Gun Section:

- 2 Gun Captains (NCOs) (2 machine pistols)
- 12 Riflemen (10 rifles, 2 pistols)
- 4 Munitions handlers (4 rifles)
- 4 Drivers (4 rifles, 2 Sd Kfz 7/1 20mm Flak 38, 2 Sd Ah 52 munitions trailers, 2 3-ton munitions trucks)

2nd, 3rd & 4th Platoons:

Same as 1st platoon, but officer replaced by NCO

Battle Train:

8 NCOs, 2 privates, 16 rifles, 3 pistols, 1 machine pistol, 2 LMGs, 2 3-ton trucks for munitions & equipment, 1 3-ton field kitchen truck, & 2 3-ton fuel trucks, 2 2-ton trucks.

Supply Train:

2 privates, 2 rifles, 1 3-ton supply truck.

Train:

1 NCO, 3 privates, 4 rifles, 1 2-ton truck.

Total:

	Warrant			
	Officers	Officers	NCOs	Privates
Command	1	0	2	4
Signals Squad	0	0	4	15
1st Platoon	1	0	3	26
2nd Platoon	0	0	4	26
3rd Platoon	0	0	4	26
4th Platoon	0	0	4	26
Battle Train	0	0	8	12
Supply Train	0	0	0	2
Train	0	0	1	3
Total	2	0	30	140

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