

German Army
Parachute Company for the Brandenburg Division
1 February 1944

Group Command:

1 Company Commander (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

Company Troop:

1 Troop Commander (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

1 Special Service NCO (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

3 Messengers (privates) (3 machine pistols)

including: 1 battle scribe

1 Field Radio Operator

1 Truck Driver (with kubelwagen)

2 Motorcycle Messengers (private) (2 rifles & 2 350 ccm motorcycles)

1 Light Car Driver (private) (1 rifle & 1 kubelwagen)

1st Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

1 Platoon NCO (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

1 Motorcycle Messenger (1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle)

2 Messengers (2 rifles & 1 kubelwagen)

2 Riflemen Groups:

2 Group Leaders (NCOS) (2 pistols & 2 machine pistols)

6 Machine Gunners (6 pistols & 2 light machine guns)

12 Riflemen (4 rifles, 4 machine pistols & 4 target designation systems with 4 rifle grenade launchers)

Pioneer Group:

1 Group Leader (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 submachine gun)

3 Pioneers/Machine Gunners (privates) (3 pistols & 1 LMG)

6 pioneers (privates) (1 rifle grenade launcher & 3 machine pistols)

4 Truck Drivers (privates) (4 rifles)

Equipment:

3 3-ton personnel trucks

1 3-ton equipment truck

2nd Platoon:

same as 1st

3rd Platoon:

same as 1st

4th (Heavy) Platoon:

1 Platoon Commander (officer) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

1 Platoon NCO (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

2 Motorcycle Messengers (privates) (2 rifles & 2 motorcycles)

2 Messengers (2 rifles & 1 kubelwagen)

Heavy Machine Gun Group:

1 Group Leader (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)

2 Weapons Leaders (NCO) (2 pistols & 2 machine pistols)

1 Rangefinder Operator/Messenger (private) (1 pistol)

10 Machine Gunners (4 rifles, 2 carbines & 4 pistols)

1 Radio Operator (1 rifle)

1 Truck Driver (1 rifle)

Equipment

2 3-ton troop transport trucks

81mm Mortar Group:

1 Group Leader (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
1 Fire Director (NCO) (1 machine pistol)
1 Position NCO ((1 machine pistol)
1 Range Finder (private) (1 rifle)
14 Riflemen (10 rifles, 4 pistols, 2 81mm mortars)
2 Truck Drivers (2 rifles & 2 3-ton trucks)

20mm Flak Group:

1 Gropu Ledre (NCO) (1 pistol & 1 machine pistol)
3 Gunners (3 pistols & 1 20mm mountain flak gun)
1 Truck Driver (1 rifle & 1 3-ton truck)

Train:

7 NCOs, 24 privates, 25 rifles, 6 pistols, 1 machine
pistol, 10 3-ton trucks, 1 motorcycle

Maintenance Group

2 NCOs, 4 privates, 5 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 machine pistol
1 kubelwagen & 1 2-ton truck

Totals

	Officers	NCOs	Soldiers
Company Command	1	2	6
1st Platoon	1	4	34
2nd Platoon	1	4	34
3rd Platoon	1	4	34
4th (Heavy) Platoon	1	8	38
Train	0	9	28

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