

# PIONIERKOMPANIE



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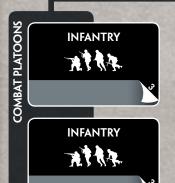
PIONEER COMPANY

#### (INFANTRY COMPANY)

HEADQUARTERS HEADQUARTERS

You must field one platoon from each box shaded black and may field one platoon from each box shaded grey.

Your Company HQ must be either Heer (marked  $\bigcirc$ ) or SS (marked  $\bigcirc$ ). All other platoons with either of these variants must be of the same type as your Company HQ.



INFANTRY

#### **LUFTWAFFE ALLIES**

German companies can be supported by Luftwaffe Platoons who retain their own ratings.
Luftwaffe Platoons count as Allied Platoons (see the Flames Of War rulebook).



# German Special Rules

German companies use the German National Special Rules on pages 241 to 245 of the Flames Of War rulebook. Some companies also use the following special rule (as indicated in each company or platoon).

#### MOTIVATION AND SKILL

Germany has a handful of Motorisiert (Motorised) infantry divisions and SS infantry divisions in addition to the mass of foot-slogging Heer (Army) infantry divisions. The ratings of an Pionierkompanie (pronounced pi-o-neerr kom-pan-ee) vary depending on type.





A Heer Pionierkompanie (marked 🌽 ) is rated as Confident Veteran. An SS Pionierkompanie (marked 💋 ) is rated as Fearless Veteran.

#### **HEADQUARTERS**

#### PIONIERKOMPANIE HQ

#### **HEADQUARTERS**

Company HQ





## 40 points

#### **OPTION**

Add motorcycles and sidecars for +5 points for the platoon.

#### HAUPTMANN HAUPTMANN Company Command SMG team Motorcycle 2iC Command Motorcycle and sidecar SMG team and sidecar COMPANY HQ

PIONIERKOMPANIE HQ

#### **COMBAT PLATOONS**

#### PIONIER PLATOON

#### **PLATOON**

**HQ** Section with:

3 Pionier Squads

2 Pionier Squads

#### HEER 220 points

# ss 280 points 155 points 195 points

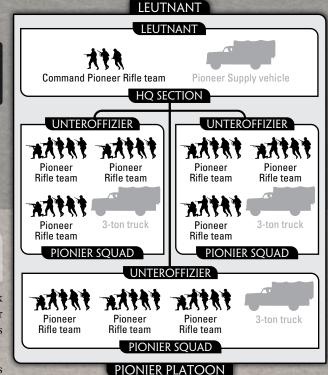
#### **OPTIONS**

- Add 3-ton trucks for +5 points for the platoon.
- Add Pioneer Supply horse-drawn wagon for +20 points or Pioneer Supply 3-ton truck for +25 points.

You may replace up to one Pioneer Rifle team per Pionier Squad with a Flame-thrower team at the start of the game before deployment.

Pioneer work was largely a matter of pick and spade work for the German army. As a result they formed large pioneer platoons to make sure there were plenty of picks and spades doing the work.

In the First World War, the Germans formed their pioneers into assault groups equipped with flame-throwers and other specialised equipment. They continued these tactics in the Second World War where they were called on to lead assaults against fortified positions.



# Divisional Support

#### MOTIVATION AND SKILL

The German army is at its peak. After three years of hard fighting it contains some of the most experienced and well-motivated troops available in Europe!



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Heer Divisional Support platoons (marked ) are rated as Confident Veteran. SS Divisional Support Platoons (marked ) are rated as Fearless Veteran.

#### ASSAULT GUN PLATOON

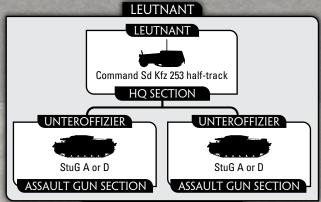
#### **PLATOON**

Sd Kfz 253 half-track with: 2 StuG A or D

HEER
495 points

ss 555 points

The concept of the *Sturmgeschütz* (StuG), or assault gun, began in 1936 after a request for an armoured vehicle for the artillery that could provide support for the infantry through direct fire against machine-gun nests and bunkers.

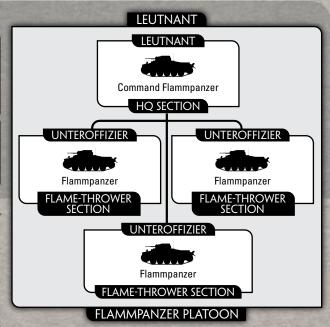


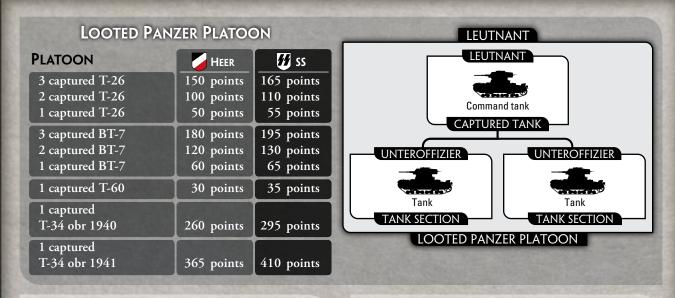
ASSAULT GUN PLATOON

#### FLAMMPANZER PLATOON

PLATOON	HEER	<b>₩</b> ss
4 Flammpanzer II	275 points	-
3 Flammpanzer II	205 points	-
2 Flammpanzer II	135 points	-
3 Flammpanzer B-2 740(f)	515 points	-
2 Flammpanzer B-2 740(f)	345 points	-

Flammpanzer II tanks were issued to *Panzerabteilung* (F) 100 and *Panzer Abteilung* (F) 101. During Operation Barbarossa, *Panzerabteilung* (F) 100 was attached to 18. Panzerdivision, and Panzerabteilung (F) 101 was attached to 7. Panzerdivision. The Flammpanzer II tanks were used as a close combat weapon working in support of infantry. Flammpanzer B-2 740(f) tanks also saw service in the Soviet Union. These were converted from captured French Char B heavy tanks. They were issued to Panzerabteilung (F) 102 and served with 7. Armee until the unit was disbanded on 30 July 1941.





#### **BEUTE PANZERS**

The German crews of the captured tanks or *Beute* (looted or booty) panzers were improvising and did not know their vehicles well.

All captured tanks in a Heer Looted Panzer Platoon (marked ) are rated as Confident Trained.

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All captured tanks in a SS Looted Panzer Platoon (marked 19) are rated as Fearless Trained.

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VETERAN

As soon as the new heavy Soviet tanks began to appear in the in the front lines, the Germans were prepared to use captured examples against their former owners.

#### KRADSCHÜTZEN PLATOON

#### **PLATOON**

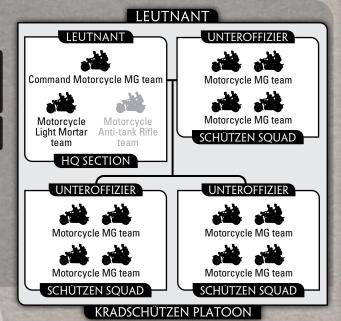
HQ Section with:	HEER	<b>₩</b> ss
3 Schützen Squads 2 Schützen Squads	290 points 215 points	340 points 255 points
Add a Motorcycle Anti-tank Rifle team	+20 points	+25 points

#### **OPTIONS**

- Replace Command Motorcycle MG team with a Command Motorcycle SMG team at no cost.
- Replace Command Motorcycle MG team or Command Motorcycle SMG team with a Command Motorcycle Panzerknacker SMG team for +10 points.

Kradschützen Platoons use the Motorcycle Reconnaissance rules on pages 196 to 197 of the Flames Of War rulebook and are Reconnaissance Platoons while mounted.

Filling the dual role of fast mobile infantry and light reconnaissance, the *Kradschützen* troops are an invaluable part of the German war machine. Armed with two MG-34



machine-guns in each squad, they have plenty of firepower on attack and defence. While dismounted they fight as hard as any other German infantry and can be armed with an anti-tank rifle and Panzerknacker anti-tank teams in addition to their rifles and machine-guns.

#### **INFANTERIE PLATOON**

#### **PLATOON**

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- 4 Infanterie Squads
  3 Infanterie Squads
- 2 Infanterie Squads

Add Anti-tank Rifle team

# HEER 220 points 175 points 260 points 210 points

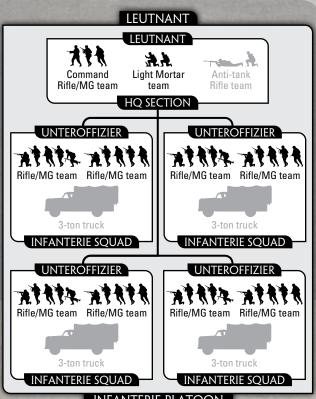
130 points | 155 points +20 points | +25 points

#### OPTIONS

- Replace Command Rifle/MG team with a Command SMG team at no cost.
- Replace Command Rifle/MG team or Command SMG team with a Command Panzerknacker SMG team for +10 points
- Add 3-ton trucks for +5 points for the platoon.

The SS and a few elite motorised divisions are mounted in trucks. These motorised formations are able to keep pace with the fast moving panzer spearheads that lead the advance. The motorised divisions are the second line, following the panzer troops, securing ground and holding off enemy counterattacks.

The bulk of the German infantry travel on foot. This does not diminish their fighting ability or importance to the German war effort. They fight with the same determination and skill as their motorised brothers-in-arms.



#### INFANTERIE PLATOON

No matter their transport situation, Infanterie Platoons are well-armed with a MG-34 machine-gun in each squad and access to anti-tank rifles and Panzerknacker teams.

#### INFANTERIE ANTI-TANK GUN PLATOON

#### **PLATOON**

 HQ Section with:
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 4 3.7cm PaK36
 145 points
 160 points

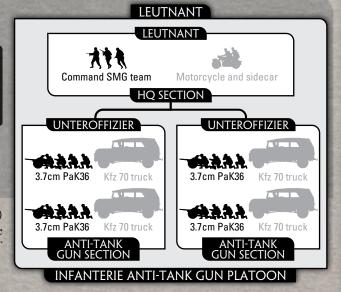
 3 3.7cm PaK36
 110 points
 120 points

 2 3.7cm PaK36
 75 points
 80 points

#### **OPTION**

• Add motorcycle and sidecar and Kfz 70 trucks to the platoon for +5 points.

The divisional *Panzerjäger Abteilung* (anti-tank gun battalion) is armed with 3.7cm PaK36 light anti-tank guns. These little anti-tank guns can deal with most enemy tanks like the BT and T-26 that the Soviets have in abundance.



### TANK-HUNTER PLATOON

#### **PLATOON**

4 Panzerjäger I

3 Panzerjäger I2 Panzerjäger I

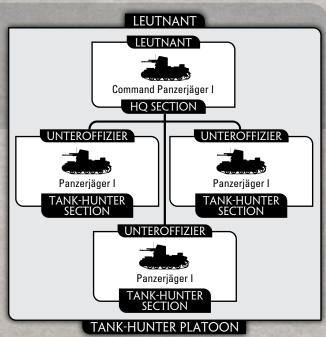
HEER

335 points250 points165 points

375 points 280 points 185 points

German High Command recognised the need for a specialised vehicle capable of engaging enemy heavy tanks with a weapon of greater penetrating power than the standard 3.7cm PaK36. To meet this need, they fitted a Czech 4.7cm anti-tank gun in a limited traverse mount on a Panzer I chassis with a gun shield to protect the crew. The resulting vehicle was called the 4.7cm PaK(t) (Sf) auf Panzerkampfwagen I Ausf B, or Panzerjäger I for short.

The Panzerjäger I tank-hunter was used by 521. Panzerjäger Abteilung, 529. Panzerjäger Abteilung, 616. Panzerjäger Abteilung, 643. Panzerjäger Abteilung, and 670. Panzerjäger Abteilung in the Soviet Union. Army Group Centre (Panzergruppe 2, Panzergruppe 4, and 4. Armee) received three companies, Army Group North and Army Group South, one company each, attached respectively to Panzergruppe 4 and Panzergruppe 1.



#### **HEAVY TANK-HUNTER PLATOON**

PLATOON	HEER	SS W
2 Dicker Max	960 points	-
1 Dicker Max	480 points	-
2 8.8cm FlaK18 (Sfl)	450 points	-
1 8.8cm FlaK18 (Sfl)	225 points	-



#### BUNKERFLAK

The 8.8cm FlaK18 Sfl 'Bufla' was designed to suppress bunkers from outside the range of the defenders' weapons. The crews were well-trained in identifying and locating bunkers and hitting their firing slits to force the defenders to take cover.

8.8cm FlaK18 Sfl self-propelled guns can shoot at bunkers up to 24"/60cm away rather than the normal 16"/40cm limitation.

The Dicker Max was designed to be used against the fortifications of the Maginot Line in France. It mounted a 10.5cm K18 gun on a Panzer IV chassis. The resulting design gave the vehicle a somewhat rotund appearance which lead to its nickname, 'Dicker Max' or Fat Max. Two Dicker Max prototypes were assigned to 3. Panzerdivision for Operation Barbarossa. One was destroyed in an ammunition explosion, but the second vehicle fought with success for three months. The design was ultimately rejected in favour of other designs of heavy tank-hunters

#### SS-HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT **GUN PLATOON**

#### **PLATOON**

**HQ** Section with: 2 8.8cm FlaK36 1 8.8cm FlaK36

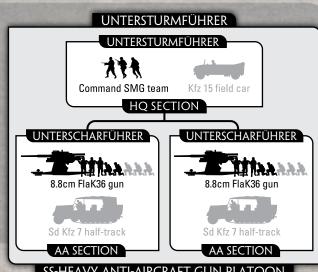


# ss 440 points 225 points

#### **OPTIONS**

- Add Kfz 15 field car and Sd Kfz 7 half-tracks for +5 points for the platoon.
- Model 8.8cm FlaK36 guns with eight or more crew and increase their ROF to 3 for +10 points per gun.

The SS-anti-aircraft units also had their own 8.8cm FlaK36 heavy anti-aircraft gun batteries. These excellent dual purpose weapons were equally effective against tanks and aircraft. With the appearance of the heavier T-34 and KV tanks, the 8.8cm FlaK36 was soon to see plenty of action against Soviet counterattacks.



SS-HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN PLATOON

#### **SMOKE LAUNCHER PLATOON**

#### **PLATOON**

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4 10.5cm NbW35	120 points
2 10.5cm NbW35	65 points
6 10.5cm NbW40	170 points
4 10.5cm NbW40	120 points
2 10.5cm NbW40	65 points
6 15cm NW41	175 points
4 15cm NW41	125 points
2 15cm NW41	70 points

#### **OPTION**

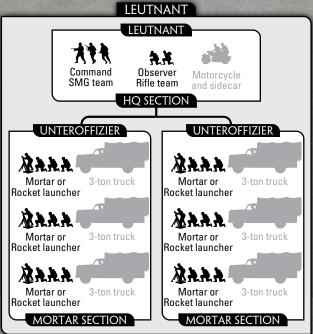
Add motorcycle and sidecar and 3-ton trucks to the platoon for +5 points.

A Smoke Launcher Platoon is rated as Confident Veteran.



The chief weapon of the chemical corps of the German army is the 10.5cm Nebelwerfer 35, a conventional heavy mortar, which is able to fire high-explosive, chemical, or smoke rounds. Its name comes from Nebelwerfer, German for smoke or fog projector.

The 10.5cm Nebelwerfer 40 mortar began replacing the 10.5cm Nebelwerfer 35 mortar in 1941.



#### SMOKE LAUNCHER PLATOON

15cm Nebelwerfer 41 rocket launcher was first issued to Nebelwerfer Abteilung 1 in June 1941 and it served on the Southern Front in Russia in the Perekop Isthmus and at Simferopol.

The Nebel-Lehr-Regiment also fought with a mix of mortars and rocket launchers. In June 1941 it was organized with one battalion with two batteries 10.5cm NbW40 mortars and one battalion with two batteries 15cm NW41 rocket launchers. It was attached to the XXXXVIII Armeekorps (Mot), Panzergruppe 1, Army Group South during Operation Barbarossa and took part in the battles for the Uman Pocket, Dnepr Bend, and Dnepropetrovsk Bridgehead.

#### LIGHT ARTILLERY BATTERY

#### **PLATOON**

**HQ** Section with:

HEER

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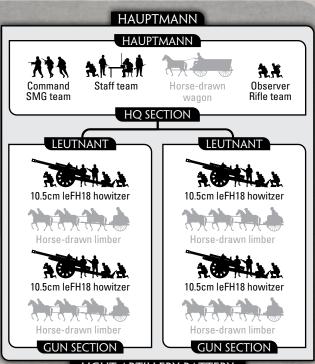
4 10.5cm leFH18 2 10.5cm leFH18 360 points 190 points 405 points 215 points

#### **OPTIONS**

- Add horse-drawn wagon and horse-drawn limbers for +5 points for the battery.
- Replace horse-drawn wagon with a Kfz 15 field car and Kfz 68 radio truck and horse-drawn limbers with Sd Kfz 11 half-tracks at no cost.

A Light Artillery Battery may not be deployed in Ambush.

The artillery of the divisions sent to invade the Soviet Union have been almost universally equipped with the excellent 10.5cm leFH18 howitzer. This sturdy howitzer has superior hitting power than Soviet field guns who still mostly rely on lighter 7.62cm models.



LIGHT ARTILLERY BATTERY

#### **HEAVY ARTILLERY BATTERY**

#### **PLATOON**

 HQ Section with:

 4 s10cm K18
 585 points

 2 s10cm K18
 305 points

 4 15cm sFH18
 480 points

 540 points

#### **OPTIONS**

2 15cm sFH18

• Add horse-drawn wagon and horse-drawn limbers for +5 points for the battery.

250 points

• Replace horse-drawn wagon with a Kfz 15 field car and Kfz 68 radio truck and horse-drawn limbers with Sd Kfz 7 half-tracks at no cost.

You may not field a Heavy Artillery Battery unless you are also fielding a Light Artillery Battery.

A Heavy Artillery Battery may not be deployed in Ambush.

#### HAUPTMANN Command Staff team Horse-drawn **Observer** SMG team Rifle team HQ SECTION LEUTNANT LEUTNANT Gun or howitzer Gun or howitzer Horse-drawn limber Horse-drawn limber Gun or howitzer Gun or howitzer

HEAVY ARTILLERY BATTERY

## SS-LIGHT ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN PLATOON

#### **PLATOON**

4 Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) 3 Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) HEER

SS 140 points

105 points

280 points

#### UNTERSTURMFÜHRER

#### UNTERSTURMFÜHRER

Horse-drawn limber

**GUN SECTION** 



Command Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) half-track



Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) half-track

ANTI-AIRCRAFT

#### UNTERSCHARFÜHRER

Horse-drawn limber

**GUN SECTION** 



Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) half-track



Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) half-track

ANTI-AIRCRAFT SECTION

SS-LIGHT ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN PLATOON

# Luftwaffe Support

#### MOTIVATION AND SKILL

Luftwaffe anti-aircraft crews are trained in the methods of engaging ground targets, but their main area of expertise is anti-aircraft fire. Luftwaffe Light Anti-aircraft Platoons and Heavy Anti-aircraft Platoons are rated as Confident Trained.



## LUFTWAFFE LIGHT ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN PLATOON

#### **PLATOON**

4 Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) 3 Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) 90 points 70 points

The Luftwaffe provided additional anti-aircraft cover for most divisions. The light gun of the Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) half-track has a good rate-of-fire and can put enough fire in the air to see off most enemy sorties.



#### LUFTWAFFE HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN PLATOON

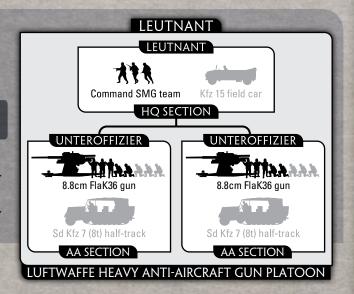
#### **PLATOON**

**HQ** Section with:

2 8.8cm FlaK36 1 8.8cm FlaK36 295 points 150 points

#### **OPTIONS**

- Add Kfz 15 field car and Sd Kfz 7 half-tracks for +5 points for the platoon.
- Model 8.8cm FlaK36 guns with eight or more crew and increase their ROF to 3 for +10 points per gun.



#### **AIR SUPPORT**

#### **PRIORITY AIR SUPPORT**

Ju 87B Stuka

150 points

• Establish a Stuka Schwerpunkt for +25 points.

#### LIMITED AIR SUPPORT

Ju 87B Stuka

115 points

#### STUKA SCHWERPUNKT

The role of the *Luftwaffe* (Air Force) in Operation Barbarossa was to focus its efforts at the breakthrough points, totally dominating the air above the battle.

If you establish a Stuka Schwerpunkt (see the option for Priority Air Support above), you roll two dice on the How Many Aircraft Table and take the best result.

# LEUTNANT LEUTNANT Ju 87B Stuka FLIGHT

#### AIR SUPPORT

The Junkers Ju 87B dive bomber was known by both sides as the Stuka (an abbreviation for the German word for dive bomber). The bent wing silhouette of the Stuka epitomised Blitzkrieg warfare, developing a fearsome reputation during the Polish campaign, which it further enhanced with massed dive-bombing attacks during the Battle of France. They were once more in action during Operation Barbarossa, leading the assault on Soviet airfields and troop concentrations.

# German Arsenal

## TANK TEAMS

Name Weapon	Mobility <i>Range</i>	Front ROF	Armour Side <i>Anti-tank</i>	Top Firepower	Equipment and Notes
CAPTURED TANKS					
T-26 45mm obr 1934 gun	Slow Tank 24"/60cm	1 2	1 7	1 4+	Co-ax MG, Limited vision, Unreliable.
BT-7 45mm obr 1934 gun	Standard Tank 24"/60cm	1 2	1 7	1 4+	Co-ax MG, Fast tank, Limited vision, Unreliable.
T-60 20mm ShVAK gun	Half-tracked 16"/40cm	2 2	1 5	1 5+	Co-ax MG, Limited vision, Unreliable.
T-34 obr 1940	Standard Tank	6	5	1	Co-ax MG, Hull MG, Fast tank, Limited vision, Unreliable, Wide tracks.
76mm L-11 gun	24"/60cm	2	8	3+	
T-34 obr 1941	Standard Tank	6	5	1	Co-ax MG, Hull MG, Fast tank, Limited vision, Unreliable, Wide tracks.
76mm F-34 gun	32"/80cm	2	9	3+	
FLAME TANKS					
Flammpanzer II Two 1.4cm Flammenwerfer	Half-tracked 4"/10cm	2 2 (each)	1 -	1 6	MG. Flame-thrower, Hull mounted.
Flammpanzer B-2 740 (f) (Char B-1) 4.7cm KwK35(f) gun 1.4cm Flammenwerfer	Slow Tank 24"/60cm 4"/10cm	6 2 3	5	1 4+ 5+	Co-ax MG, Unreliable. One-man turret. Flame-thrower, Hull mounted.

Name Weapon	Mobility <i>Range</i>	Front ROF	Armour Side <i>Anti-tank</i>	Top Firepower	Equipment and Notes
ASSAULT-GUNS					
Sd Kfz 253	Half-tracked	1	0	1	AA MG.
StuG A or D 7.5cm StuK37 gun	Standard Tank 24"/60cm	5 2	3 7	1 3+	Protected ammo.  Hull mounted.
TANK-HUNTERS					
Panzerjäger I 4.7cm PaK(t) gun	Half-tracked 24"/60cm	0 2	0 8	0 4+	Hull mounted.
8.8cm FlaK18 (Sfl) 8.8cm FlaK18 gun	Half-tracked 40"/100cm	1 3	0 13	0 3+	Awkward Layout, Overloaded. Hull mounted, Bunkerflak.
Dicker Max s10cm K18 gun	Standard Tank 40"/100cm	4 2	1 15	0 2+	AA MG. Hull mounted.
RECONNAISSANCE					
Motorcycle SMG team SMG	Jeep 4"/10cm	3	- 1	- 6	Motorcycle reconnaissance, Dismount as SMG team. Hull mounted, Vehicle MG.
Motorcycle Panzerknacker SMG tea					Motorcycle reconnaissance, Dismount as Panzerknacker SMG team.
SMG	4"/10cm	3	1	6	Hull mounted, Vehicle MG.
Motorcycle MG team MG	Jeep 16"/40cm	3	2	6	Motorcycle reconnaissance, Dismount as MG team.  Hull mounted, Vehicle MG.
Motorcycle Light Mortar team	Jeep				Motorcycle reconnaissance, Dismount as Light Morat team.
Light Mortar	16"/40cm	1	1	4+	Hull mounted, Awkward layout, Smoke, Can fire over friendly troops.
Motorcycle Anti-tank Rifle team	Jeep				Motorcycle reconnaissance, Dismount as Anti-tank Rifle team.
7.92mm PzB39 anti-tank rifle	16"/40cm	1	4	6	Hull mounted, Awkward layout.
ANTI-AIRCRAFT (SP)					
Sd Kfz 10/5 (2cm) 2cm FlaK38 gun	Half-tracked 16"/40cm	- 4	5	- 5+	Gun shield. Anti-aircraft.
VEHICLE MACHINE-GU	INS				
Vehicle MG	16"/40cm	3	2	6	ROF 1 if other weapons fire.
Twin vehicle MG	16"/40cm	4	2	6	ROF 2 if other weapons fire.

GUN TEAMS							
Weapon	Mobility	Range	ROF	Anti-tank	Firepower	Notes	
MORTARS							
10.5cm NbW35 mortar	Man-packed	40"/100cm	-	3	4+	Smoke bombardment.	
10.5cm NbW40 mortar	Light	56"/140cm		3	4+	Smoke bombardment.	
ANTI-AIRCRAFT GU	JNS						
8.8cm FlaK36 gun	Immobile	40"/100cm	2	13	3+	Heavy anti-aircraft, Gun Shield, Turntable.	
ANTI-TANK GUNS							
3.7cm PaK36 gun	Light	24"/60cm	3	6	4+	Gun shield.	
ARTILLERY							
10.5cm leFH18 howitzer	Immobile	24"/60cm	1	9	2+	Breakthrough gun, Gun shield, Smoke.	
Firing bombardments		72"/180cm	-	4	4+	Smoke bombardment.	
s10cm K18 gun	Immobile	32"/80cm	1	15	2+		
Firing bombardments		96"/240cm		4	4+		
15cm sFH18 howitzer	Immobile	24"/60cm	1	11	1+	Bunker buster, Smoke.	
Firing bombardments		80"/200cm	-	5	2+	Smoke bombardment.	
15cm NW41 rocket launcher	Light	64"/160cm		3	4+	Rocket launcher, Smoke bombardment.	

## **INFANTRY TEAMS**

Team	Range	ROF	Anti-tank	Firepower	Notes
Rifle team	16"/40cm	1	2	6	
Rifle/MG team	16"/40cm	2	2	6	
MG team	16"/40cm	3	2	6	ROF 2 when pinned down.
SMG team	4"/10cm	3	1	6	Full ROF when moving.
Light Mortar team	16"/40cm	1	1	4+	Can fire over friendly teams.
Anti-tank Rifle team	16"/40cm	1	4	6	Tank Assault 3.
Flame-thrower team	4"/10cm	2	-	6	Flame-thrower.
Staff team	16"/40cm	1	2	6	Moves as a Heavy Gun team.

#### **ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT**

Pioneer teams are rated as Tank Assault 4. Panzerknackers are rated as Tank Assault 4.

### TRANSPORT TEAMS

Vehicle	Mobility	Front	Side	Тор	Equipment and Notes
TRUCKS					
Motorcycle & Sidecar or Kfz 15 field car	Jeep	-	-	-	
Krupp or Styer Kfz 70 or Opel Blitz 3-ton truck	Wheeled		3.1.0		
Opel Kfz 68 radio truck	Wheeled	-	-	-	
Horse-drawn wagon	Wagon		-		
TRACTORS					
Sd Kfz 11, or Sd Kfz 7 half-track	Half-tracked	-	-	-	
Horse-drawn limber	Wagon		100		

## AIRCRAFT

Aircraft	Weapon	To Hit	Anti-tank	Firepower	Notes
Ju 87B Stuka	Bombs	4+	5	2+	Optional Stuka Schwerpunkt (p. 41).