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**Schützenkompanie c
Schützen-Feldersatzkompanie
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**Infantry Platoon**

Operation Weserübung. These are troops from the 7th Wave 170th or 198th Infantry Divisions. Operation Weserübung was their first combat operation.

**Platoon Force Rating**

Regular +5 / Green -1

**Command Dice: 5**

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| **PLATOON HEADQUARTERS** |
| Zugführer (Platoon Leader), Pistol & MPi, *Senior Leader* |
| Führer des Zugtrupps und stellv.Zg.Führ. (Command Team Leader and Assistant Platoon Leader), Pistol, *Senior Leader* |
| Melder\* (Messenger), carbine  |
| Melder\* (Messenger, trumpeter), carbine |
| Melder\* (Messenger, blink signaller), carbine |
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| **GRUPPE 1 TO 4** |
| Gruppenführer, MPi, *Junior Leader* |
| **LMG TEAM** | **RIFLE TEAM** |
| MG34 with two MG Schützen with pistols1 Schütze with carbine | 6 Schützen with carbines |
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| **leichter Granatwerfertrupp** |
| Führer\*, carbine, *Inferior Junior Leader*5 cm le. Gr.Wf with two Granatwerferschützen with pistols |

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| **SUPPORT LIST** |
| **LIST ONE** |
| Medical Orderly |
| Adjutant |
| Pioneer Mine Clearance Team |
| Pioneer Wire-Cutting Team |
| Pioneer Demolition Team |
| Car with no crew |
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| **LIST TWO** |
| Roadblock |
| 5cm mortar Team, two crew and *Inferior Junior Leader* |
| Sniper Team |
| Panzerbüchse 39 Anti-tank Rifle Team |
| Shabby Nazi Trick - The Fifth Column |
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| **LIST THREE** |
| Sd.Kfz 221 or 223 armored car with MG and *Junior Leader* |
| Pz.Kpfw I tank with dual MGs and *Junior Leader* |
| Off-table Machine Gun Support |
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| **LIST FOUR** |
| Pak 36 3.7cm Anti-Tank Gun with five crew and*Junior Leader* |
| le.18 7.5cm Infantry Gun with five crew and*Junior Leader* |
| Infantry Squad with Junior Leader |
| MG34 on tripod mount, five crew and *Junior Leader\** |
| Pioneer Squad with Junior Leader |
| Strafing Attack |
| Sd.Kfz 222 Armored Car with 2 cm autocannon, MG and *Junior Leader* |
| Sd.Kfz 231 or 232 Armored Car with 2 cm autocannon, MG and *Junior Leader* |
| Pz.Kpfw II Tank with 2 cm autocannon, MG and *Junior Leader* |
| Kleiner Befehlspanzer with MG and *Senior Leader* |
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| **LIST FIVE** |
| Motorcycle reconnaissance section with three heavy motorcycles, one MG34, eight men and Junior Leader |
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| **LIST SIX** |
| Forward Observer with radio and 8cm mortarbattery |
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| **GERMAN NATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS** |
| **Maschinengewehr** The Germans placed much emphasis on the squad machine gun as the weapon of firepower, with the squad leader instructed that in any fight his place was with the LMG directing its fire. When a Leader is attached to a Machine Gun Team and uses two or more Command Initiatives to direct its fire, he may add that many D6 to the Team’s Firepower dice. |
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| **Handgranaten!**  |
| The German soldier is intensely aware of the stormtrooper tactics of his father’s war. The signal to attack with a volley of grenades and then get stuck in with the rifle butt, entrenching tool or bayonet was the cry “*Handgranaten!*“ from the squad leader.To reflect this, when a Leader attached to a Team or Squad uses two Command Initiatives, he may lead a charge against any enemy within 12” preceded by a hail of grenades.Roll 1D6, subtracting 1 if the enemy is in light cover, 2 if in hard cover. On a result of 1 or 2, one hand grenade has hit the target unit; on 3 or 4, two grenades hit; on 5 or 6, three grenades hit the target. Roll for the effect of these and the Team or Squad may then move with up to 3D6 to try to initiate Close Combat. |
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Most of the support options on the list will be self‐explanatory and their qualities covered by the National Arsenal Table.

**Hand Grenade Availability**

German Squads have three hand grenades each and one smoke grenade. Grenades are thrown only when a Leader spends a Command Initiative to initiate this, with one grenade being thrown for each Command Initiative used. This does not affect in any way the national characteristic *Handgranaten!* rule which does not require the tracking of grenades used and may be used irrespective of grenade supply.

**5 cm Mortar**

The German 5cm mortar has unlimited High Explosive rounds but has no smoke rounds. It has no theoretical minimum range, but at under 12” the crew would normally use their rifles to avoid being hit by shrapnel from their own rounds.

**Off-Table Machine Gun**

An off-table machine gun is available to shoot-in an attack from, as the name suggests, a position off table. The weapon activates on a Command Dice roll of 5, firing with 10D6 and hitting as though at long range. When this weapon first fires, the German player must place a marker on the table edge. This may not be moved for the rest of the game and all firing uses this as the point from which there must be a Line of Sight

to the target and determines what cover the target is in

from that point. When the Off-Table Machine Gun is activated on a 5, the dice may not be used to increase the number of Chain of Command points.

**Strafing Attack**

The Strafing Attack is a variation on the Stuka bombardment, which is itself a variation of the Pre-Game bombardment, happening immediately before the tabletop game begins. In Denmark the Luftwaffe apparently did not drop many bombs. The Strafing Attack is equivalent to the Stuka Bombardment but affects only enemy troops and vehicles, not buildings.

**Motorcycle Reconnaissance Section**

This section is composed of a Junior Leader with MP38, an MG34 with three Maschingewehrschützen as crew and a team of five Schützen with carbines. They ride in three BMW motorcycles with sidecars.

They must deploy onto the table edge if mounted. If they have dismounted to fight, they may use Jump-Off Points, adding an addition 3” to the distance from the Jump-Off Point they may deploy. So, Regular troops may deploy up 9” away. Troops dismounting from motorcycles may do so at no penalty. Troops mounting motorcycles require one Action to do so.

Troops on motorcycles may never fire any weapon while moving unless it is a light machine gun mounted on a sidecar. This fires in the same manner as any vehicle mounted LMG. Other troops must dismount in order to fire their weapons. Troops on motorcycles engaged in Close Combat will count as being hit in the rear and will not gain any advantage for SMGs or LMGs in the first phase of combat. After the first phase they will automatically dismount to fight.

**Forward Observer and 8cm Mortar Section**

The German Forward Observer Team of this period may be either radio equipped or, less likely, have a “fixed line” field telephone link. This will be shown on the support lists. With two mortars present in the section, a German mortar bombardment covers a square area 14” by 14” with the aiming point at the center.

**Shabby Nazi Trick**

The Germans used several devious tricks during their invasion but for the purposes of this campaign the German player may only select the Fifth Column trick.

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| **NATIONAL ARSENAL TABLE** |
| **INFANTRY WEAPONS** |
| **Weapon** | **Firepower** | **Close** | **Effective** | **NOTES** |
| Kar98k Carbine | 1 | 0-18" | Over 18" | Standard WWII bolt-action rifle |
| MP38 SMG | 4 / 2 /1 | 0-6" | 6-12" / 12-24" |  |
| MG34 LMG | 8 | 0-18" | Over 18" |  |
| MG34 MMG (on tripod) | 10 | 0-24" | Over 24" | Cannot move and shoot during same Phase. Reduce to eight dice when reduced to one crew |
| Sniper Rifle | 1 | All |  | See Sniper rules |
| 9mm Pistol | 1 | 0-9" |  |  |
| Grenade | 2 in open, 3 in enclosed | 4-11" |  | Reduce cover by 1 |
| 50mm Mortar | 2 | Within LOS | No LOS | Reduce cover by 1 unless has overhead cover |
| 8 cm Mortar | 4 |  | Any Range | Dice for hits on all Teams within barrage area. All units Pinned. LOS blocked. |
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| **ARMORED VEHICLES** |
| **VEHICLE** | **ARMOR** | **A.P.** | **H.E.** | **SPEED** | **NOTES** |
| Pz.Kpfw I ausf B | 2 | - | MG 8d6Close 0-18" | Average | Small, Low Profile |
| Pz.Kpfw II ausf C | 2 | 3 | 6Close 0-24"Reduce Cover by 1 | Average | Low Profile |
| Kleiner Panzerbefehlswagen | 2 | - | MG 6d6 | Average | Small, Low Profile |
| **SCOUT VEHICLES** |
| Sd.Kfz 221 or 223 with MG | 2 | - | MG 6d6Close 0-18" | Wheeled | Small, Low Profile, Open Top (unless screens closed) |
| Sd.Kfz 222 with 20mm Automatic Cannon and co-axial MG | 2 | 3 | 6Close 0-24"Reduce Cover by 1 | Wheeled | Small, Low Profile, Open Top (unless screens closed) |
| Sd.Kfz 231 or 232 with 20mm Automatic Cannon and co-axial MG | 2 | 3 | 6Close 0-24"Reduce Cover by 1 | Wheeled |  |
| BMW Motorcycle with Sidecar | - | - | MG 6d6 (one per section) | Wheeled | Small, Open Top |
| **ANTI TANK AND OTHER GUNS** |
| Pak 36 3.7 cm Anti-Tank Gun | Gunshield | 4 | 3 |  |  |
| le.18 7.5 cm Infantry Gun  | Gunshield | 3 | 6 |  |  |
| Panzerbüchse 39 |  | 3 | 1 |  | Anti-tank Rifle |