

CHAIN OF COMMAND



FALLSCHIRMJÄGER PLATOON (Jul – Sep 1943)

The Fallschirmjäger were German's crack infantry force throughout the Sicilian and Italian campaigns, and were fielded in divisional strength. Fully motorised and backed up by their own armour they were much better armed than the light infantry role that Allied paratroopers fulfilled. Though the Hermann Goring division was a Luftwaffe unit and it's men were nominally paratroopers it was organised the same as Heer panzergrenadiers.

PLATOON FORCE RATING:

Elite: +13

Command Dice: 6

PLATOON HEADQUARTERS

Leutnant, *Senior Leader*, with MP40
Feldwebel, *Senior Leader*, MP40

SECTIONS ONE TO THREE

Obergeführer, *Junior Leader*, with MP40

LMG TEAM 1

LMG, 2 crew
3 Riflemen

LMG TEAM 2

LMG, 2 crew
3 Riflemen
1 man with MP40



The paratroopers made no drops in the Italian campaign fought in the front lines as elite infantry. Their fanatical defence at Monte Cassino helped hold up the allied advance for months.

They were well equipped with trucks and armour and still maintained the high standards of the earlier FJ units.



The FJs were easily recognizable by their helmets and smocks.

LIST ONE
Single Compound Charge or similar
Medical Orderly
Pioneer Mine Clearance <i>Team</i> , 3 men
Pioneer Wire Cutting <i>Team</i> , 3 men
Pioneer Demolition <i>Team</i> , 3 men
Minefield
Barbed Wire
Adjutant
Schwimmwagen or Kubelwagen, no crew
Entrenchments for one <i>Team</i>
LIST TWO
Roadblock
5cm Mortar Team
Panzerknacker team, 4 men
Pre-Game Barrage
Kubelwagen and 4-man recce team plus JL
Senior Leader
LIST THREE
Pioneer Flamethrower <i>Team</i> , 3 men
Sniper <i>Team</i>
LIST FOUR
Forward Observer Team with 8 cm mortar battery off-table.
Pioneer <i>Squad</i> with <i>Junior Leader</i>
Regular MG42 on tripod, 5 crew
Pak 36 anti-tank gun with Stielgrenate. 5 crew
7.5cm Leichtgeschutz 40, Junior leader plus 3 crew
LIST FIVE
Motorcycle Aufklarungs squad with JL
Pak 40 with 5 crew and a Junior Leader
Panzer III L with Junior Leader

LIST SIX
Marder II or III with Junior Leader
LIST SEVEN
Panzer IV G/H with Junior Leader
Flak 18 8.8cm gun , 9 crew and JL
StuG III F8 with Junior Leader
StuG M42
LIST EIGHT
None
LIST NINE
StuH 42 with Junior Leader
LIST TEN
Panther with Junior Leader
Tiger I with Junior Leader

ARSENAL TABLE

VEHICLE	AP	HE	NOTES
7.5cm Leichtgeschutz 40	4	6	Lightweight RCL used in the same role as the leIG18.