

MISSION 647 • 25 SEPTEMBER 1944 • KOBLENZ

Bomb Load List.

MISSION	DATE	TARGET	DOCUMENT
647	25 Sep 1944	Koblenz	1 pages • Loads

WHAT THIS DOCUMENT IS

The station ordnance office loaded the airplanes in the dark. Their table lists each ship, how many bombs it carried, of what type (general-purpose, incendiary), and how the fuzes were set in the nose and tail.

This is the ground crew’s record, not the aircrew’s memory. If you are following one airplane, it tells you what was in the bomb bay when the doors opened.

A spare that was loaded and never credited still appears here. That is how you find the ship that stayed on the ground.

HOW TO READ IT

- 01 **Last-three plus quantity.** The plane-no. column is the tail, not the full serial.
- 02 **Fuze is the point.** Nose and tail columns (AN-M103, AN-M101A2, M127) are why this sheet exists.
- 03 **Stars mark smoke.** Lead and deputy often carry two GPs and two smoke bombs.
- 04 **Count the rows.** Loaded vs credited vs recap is how you find the spare.

THIS REPORT

36 ships on the load sheet: 256 × 500-lb GP and 144 × 500-lb M17 (100.0 tons dropped by the group).

Fuzes: GP AN-M103 (1/10) nose and AN-M101A2 (.025) tail; M17 with M127. Hughes 970-G is loaded here and not on the credit memo — the spare.



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Crew loading lists, aircraft, losses and sources for Mission 647, at hardwickskies.com.

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STATION ORDNANCE OFFICE,
AAF 104 APO 558.

BOMBS LOADED BY PLANE NO.

25 September 1944

<u>A/C No.</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>BOMBS</u>	<u>FUZING</u>
		<u>329th Bomb Sq.</u>	
116*	12 ea.	Bomb, 500 lb. G.P.	AN-M103 (1/10) & AN-M101A2 (.025)
147*	"	"	"
372	"	"	"
157	"	"	"
679	"	"	"
494	"	"	"
119	"	"	"
		<u>328th Bomb Sq.</u>	
229*	12 ea.	Bomb, 500 lb. Chem. M17	M127
535*	"	"	"
994	"	"	"
536	"	"	"
95	"	"	"
056	"	"	"
017	"	"	"
623	"	"	"
971	"	"	"
		<u>409th Bomb Sq.</u>	
837	12 ea.	Bomb, 500 lb. Chem. M17	M127
965	12 ea.	"	"
362	"	"	"
533	12 ea.	Bomb, 500 lb. G.P.	AN-M103 (1/10) & AN-M101A2 (.025)
334	"	"	"
127	"	"	"
578	"	"	"
370	"	"	"
204	"	"	"
815	"	"	"
		<u>330th Bomb Sq.</u>	
598*	12 ea.	Bomb, 500 lb. G.P.	AN-M103 (1/10) & AN-M101A2 (.025)
505	"	"	"
355	"	"	"
353	"	"	"
242	"	"	"
501	"	"	"
807	"	"	"
989	"	"	"
191	"	"	"
970	"	"	"
075*	2	500 G.P.	
Totals; A/C 36 ea.			
Bombs, 500# G.P. - 288 ea.			
Bombs, 500# Chem - 144 ea.			
Fuze, M103 - 288 ea.			
Fuze, M101 - 288 ea.			
Fuze, M127 - 144 ea.			

* 2 ea. smoke Bombs per A/C

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