

377. INFANTERIE-DIVISION - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1942/02/21	La Baule, France	Activation of the 377.ID (19.Welle) by order of AK 25	
1942/03/17	Le Mans	Formation with cadre of the 332.ID and other units assembled by Wehrmeldeamt Kassel, Wehrkreis IX	
1942/03/28	Le Mans, Camp de Coetquidan (Guer), Laval, La Fleche	Assembly of Arbeitsstaebe and replacement units, formation, training	Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo. IX (Wehrmeldeamt Kassel), 1942/03/28-1942/04/01 AK 25, 1942/04/02-1942/04/23
1942/04/28	Besancon	Movement, formation, training, preparations for transfer to the eastern front	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Erich Baessler, 1942/04/01-1942/12/14 Subordinate to: AK 45, 1942/04/24-1942/05/23
1942/05/18	Kursk, Soviet Union	Transfer	AK 48 Pz, 1942/05/24-1942/06/28
1942/06/03	Shchigry	Movement, training	
1942/06/15	Tim River sector, Petrovka area	Preparations for Planspiel I (penetration of Russian defenses)	
1942/06/29	Kastornoye, Kshen' River sector, Konstantinovka, Beresovka, Olym River sector, Vetrovka, Uritskoye	Advance, mopping-up action	AK 24 Pz, 1942/06/29-1942/07/10 AK 13, 1942/07/11-1942/08/11
1942/07/18	Beresovka, Kosinka	Position defense	
1942/08/13	Sapozhok, Dolgovskoye	Movement, counterattack	AOK 2, 1942/08/12-1942/08/15 AK 7, 1942/08/16-1942/08/23
1942/08/21	Terny, Don River sector, Ol'khovatika, Khvozhchevatka	Position construction and defense	AK 13, 1942/08/24-1943/01/27
			C.O.: Gen.Lt. Adolf Sinzinger, 1942/12/15-1943/01/26 Gen.Lt. Adolf Lechner, mstFb., 1943/01/27-1943/01/29

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1943/01/28	Voronezh, Kastornoye, Ploskoye	Disengagement movements	Subordinate to: AK 7, 1943/01/28-1943/02/18	
1943/02/02	Stantsiya Nabokino	Formation of Kampfgruppe Schmidt with remnants of the 323. and 377.ID		
1943/02/06	Shlyakhovaya, Golovishche, Bezlepkino, Svinets, Kursk, Oboyan, Kommunarskoye	Disengagement movements		
1943/02/18	Sudzha, Bol'shoye Soldatskoye, Viktorovka, Sumy, Rozgrebli	Disengagement movements	AK 13, 1943/02/19-1943/03/02	
1943/02/23	Rozgrebli	Incorporation of Kampfgruppe Schmidt into Kampfgruppe Brohm		
1943/03/01	Lebedevka, Lyubimovka	Withdrawal, incorporation of Kampfgruppe Brohm into the 340.ID		
1943/11/10		Disbandment, remnants absorbed by the 340.ID (Source: records of OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt., H 1/131 (T78, roll 412))		

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A list of officer casualties of the 377.ID for the period 25 Jan-5 Mar 1943, and of weapons and personnel of Gren.Rgt. 768, 769, and 770 lost during the period 15 Jan-18 Feb, and a war journal of Kampfgruppe Bronn for the period 14 Feb-2 Mar.