

On January 10, 1941 the 2. Infanterie-Division (mot.) was re-organized as the 12. Panzer-Division. In June 1941 it was moved to the northern sector of the eastern front where it suffered heavy losses in late 1941 and withdrew to Estonia for rest and refitting. It subsequently returned to the northern sector of the eastern front and transferred in November 1942 to the Roslavl area in the central sector. It operated in the Orel, Bryansk, Gomel, and Zhlobin areas in the summer of 1943 and took part in

the defense of the middle Dnieper in the autumn of the same year. Although there are no records of the division available dated later than September 30, 1943, the situation maps of Lage Ost show that in January 1944 it was again transferred to the northern sector of the eastern front and took part in the withdrawal from the Leningrad area. The division was in the Libau area for position defense from September 1944 to April 1945.

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1, Heft 1. War journal concerning the operations of the division during its preparations in East Prussia for the invasion of Russia; the crossing of Lithuania; and the advance via Vilnyus, Minsk, Borisov, Orsha, Vitebsk, Gorodok, Velikiye Luki, and Dno to the Mga and Lissino areas south of Leningrad. The division was subordinate successively to the LVII. A.K. (mot.), the XXXIX. A.K. (Jun 27 - Jul 3, and Jul 9 - Dec 15, 1941) and Panzergruppe 3 (Jul 3 - 9, 1941) under the command of Generalmajor Harpe.	May 25 - Sep 30, 1941	14488/1	626	17
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1, Heft 2. War journal concerning the division's operations in the area south of Leningrad.	Oct 1 - Dec 15, 1941	14488/2	626	283
Ia, Anlagenmappe 1 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders, order of battle charts, and maps.	Jun 9 - 21, 1941	14488/3	626	581
Ia, Anlagenmappe 2 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders and reports.	Jun 21 - 26, 1941	14488/4	626	666
Ia, Anlagenmappe 3 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders and reports.	Jun 27 - 30, 1941	14488/5	626	1114
Ia, Anlagenmappe 4 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders, order of battle charts, and reports.	Jul 1 - 15, 1941	14488/6	626	1223
Ia, Anlagenmappe 5 z. KTB 1. Reports, corps and division orders, and radio and teletype messages.	Jul 16 - 31, 1941	14488/7	627	1

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Ia, Anlagenmappe 6 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders, maps, and radio and teletype messages.	Aug 1 - 31, 1941	14488/8	627	403
Ia, Anlagenmappe 7 z. KTB 1. Radio and teletype messages, corps and division orders, combat reports, and maps.	Sep 1 - 30, 1941	14488/9	628	1
Ia, Anlagenmappe 8 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders and radio and teletype messages.	Oct 1 - 15, 1941	14488/10	628	398
Ia, Anlagenmappe 9 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders and radio and teletype messages.	Oct 16 - 31, 1941	14488/11	628	551
Ia, Anlagenmappe 10 z. KTB 1. Reports, corps and division orders, and radio and teletype messages.	Nov 1 - 15, 1941	14488/12	628	703
Ia, Anlagenmappe 11 z. KTB 1. Radio and teletype messages, orders, combat reports, and maps.	Nov 16 - 30, 1941	14488/13	628	1035
Ia, Anlagenmappe 12 z. KTB 1. Radio and teletype messages, corps and division orders, and combat reports.	Dec 1 - 15, 1941	14488/14	628	1258
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht und Aufstellung über Gefangene und Beute, als Anlage z. KTB 1.	Jun 1 - Dec 15, 1941	14488/20	629	1
Ic, Anlagenmappe 1 z. TB z. KTB 1.	Jun 17 - Aug 16, 1941	14488/21	629	27
Ic, Anlagenmappe 2 z. TB z. KTB 1. Daily intelligence reports, with maps and overlays, relating to enemy operations in the Leningrad area; intelligence bulletins and translated captured documents; and interrogation summaries on Russian agents, deserters, and prisoners of war.	Aug 7 - Sep 9, 1941	14488/22	2324	1
Ic, Anlagenmappen 3-5 z. TB z. KTB 1.	Sep 10 - Dec 11, 1941	14488/23-25	629	275
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 2. War journal concerning the transfer of the division first to the area south of Lyuban and later to Estonia for six weeks for rest and refitting, Dec 16, 1941; subsequently it operated on the Leningrad front,				

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and later on the Oranienbaum front. The division was subordinate to AOK 18, Dec 17, 1941, under the command of Generalmajor Wessel on Jan 16, 1942.	Dec 16, 1941 - Mar 31, 1942	20796/1	629	1023
Ia, Anlagenheft 1 z. KTB 2. Radio and teletype messages, corps and division orders, and afteraction reports.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jan 31, 1942	20796/2	629	1172
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 z. KTB 2. Division orders, radio and teletype messages, activity and afteraction reports, and maps.	Feb 1 - Mar 31, 1942	20796/3	630	1
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte mit Anlagen als Anlage z. KTB 2. Activity report concerning unit reorganization in Estonia; translated captured enemy military orders, and interrogation summaries on Russian prisoners of war. Also, interrogation reports of German prisoners of war who escaped from Russian captivity.	Dec 16, 1941 - Mar 31, 1942	20796/5	2324	240
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 2, Bericht des Kampfataillons Ehrenpfordt, der Kampfgruppe Brüchert und der Schützenkompanie Fehler. Reports covering the tactical, personnel, ration, clothing, materiel, and motor vehicle situation; the state of health of the troops; and enemy operations and acts of sabotage. War journal and reports of Kampfataillon Ehrenpfordt, Jan 23 and May 23, 1942, in the Spasskaya area. Also, an activity report of Kampfgruppe Brüchert, Mar 20 - 31, 1942, concerning its operations in the Oranienbaum encirclement and an activity report of the Schützenkompanie Fehler, Feb 8 - Mar 25, 1942, relating to its operations in the area south of Lissino.	Jan 25 - May 21, 1942	20796/10	630	304
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3, Russland. War journal pertaining to the operations of the division on the northern front in the Lyuban area and to its transfer in Nov 1942 to the Roslavl area on the central front via Velikiye Luki, Nevel, and Gorodok. Also, data concerning Operation "Affenkäfig" (the destruction of partisan units in the Velikiye Luki area). The division was subordinate to AOK 18, I., XXVIII., L., XXVI., and XXX. A.K., AOK 11, LIX. A.K., H.Gr. Mitte, AOK 9, XXXII. Pz.K., and the XXIII. A.K. at various times during this period.	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 1942	25769/1	630	448
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 3, Anlagen 1-102. Corps and division orders, radio and teletype messages, and combat reports.	Apr 1 - May 20, 1942	25769/2	630	893

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Ia, Anlage z. KTB 3, Anlagen 102a-265. Corps and division orders, radio and teletype messages, and activity reports concerning reorganization of combat units, and maps.	May 21 - Aug 12, 1942	25769/3	630	1153
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 3, Anlagen 266-500. Corps and division orders, radio and teletype messages, combat reports, and training regulations.	Aug 12 - Sep 26, 1942	25769/4	631	1
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 3, Anlagen 501-686. Radio and teletype messages, corps and division orders, reports on partisan activities, and maps.	Sep 26 - Oct 31, 1942	25769/5	631	407
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 3, Anlagen 687-910a. Radio and teletype messages, training programs, Hitler's order to kill all members of Commando units, reports on conference of commanders, and maps.	Nov 1 - Dec 18, 1942	25769/6	631	762
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 3, Anlagen 911-991. Corps and division orders, radio and teletype messages, and combat strength reports.	Dec 18 - 31, 1942	25769/7	631	1207
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Russland.	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 1942	25769/10	632	1
Ic, Anlage Ia z. TB, Feindnachrichten. Interrogation summaries on Russian deserters and prisoners of war, translated captured enemy documents, and intelligence bulletins with maps and overlays showing disposition of enemy units. Also, material on ideological troop indoctrination.	Apr 1 - May 31, 1942	25769/11	2324	385
Ic, Anlage IIa z. TB, Feindnachrichten.	Jun 1 - Aug 31, 1942	25769/12	632	55
Ic, Anlage III z. TB, Feindnachrichten.	Aug 28 - Oct 5, 1942	25769/13	632	375
Ic, Anlage IVa z. TB, Feindnachrichten.	Oct 2 - 29, 1942	25769/14	632	727
Ic, Anlage Va z. TB, Feindnachrichten. Intelligence reports, radio messages, maps, and overlays, interrogation summaries on Russian deserters and prisoners of war, and translated captured enemy documents. Also, information on partisan activities and antipartisan warfare.	Oct 10 - Nov 25, 1942	25769/15	2324	658

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Ic, Anlage VIa z. TB, Feindnachrichten. Radio and teletype messages, prisoner-of-war interrogation summaries, and maps.	Dec 1 - 19, 1942	25769/16	633	1
Ic, Anlage VIIa z. TB, Feindnachrichten. Radio and teletype messages and interrogation summaries on prisoners of war.	Dec 11 - 31, 1942	25769/17	633	389
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4. War journal concerning the operations and training activities of the division in the Bely, Nevel, Novosokolniki, Smolensk, Velikiye Luki, Roslavl, Orel, Kromy, and Nikolskoye areas. The division was subordinate to the XXIII. and LIX. A.K. (Gruppe Chevallerie) (Jan 27, 1943), Pz.AOK 3 (Jan 28, 1943), Pz.AOK 2 (Feb 16, 1943), and the XLVI. Pz.K. (Feb 19, 1943) and under the command of Gen.Maj. Erpo Freiherr v. Bodenhausen on May 1, 1943.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1943	33393/1	633	555
Ia, Anlagenheft 1 z. KTB 4, Anlagen 1-183. Corps and division orders, radio and teletype messages, and maps.	Jan 1 - 30, 1943	33393/2	633	851
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 z. KTB 4, Anlagen 184-420. Reports, radio and teletype messages, and corps and division orders.	Feb 1 - Mar 20, 1943	33393/3	633	1214
Ia, Anlagenheft 3 z. KTB 4, Anlagen 421-620. Afteraction reports, radio and teletype messages, and notes on conference of commanders.	Mar 20 - May 10, 1943	33393/4	634	1
Ia, Anlagenheft 4 z. KTB 4, Anlagen 621-767. Radio and teletype messages and corps and division orders.	May 10 - 31, 1943	33393/5	634	391
Ia, Anlagenheft 5 z. KTB 4, Kartenbeilagen u. Skizzen.	Jan 1 - Jun 16, 1943	33393/6	634	648
Ic, IIa/b, Tätigkeitsbericht 4 mit Anlagenheft 1. Activity report with intelligence and interrogation reports, intelligence bulletins, maps, and overlays pertaining to enemy operations, unit movements and identification, losses, partisan warfare, propaganda, and the tactical situation during the division's defensive engagements in the Pustoshka-Nevel area, transfer to Orel, and position defense in the Kromy area; counterintelligence activity; and troop entertainment. Also, an activity report of the Personnel Branch and afteraction reports.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1943	33393/7	634	693

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Ic, Anlagenheft 2 z. TB 4. Interrogation summaries on prisoners of war and deserters, and maps.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1943	33393/8	634	921
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5, Teil I. [Incomplete copy of item 44718/8.]	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1943	44718/1	635	1
Ia, Anlagenheft 1 z. KTB 5. Radio and teletype messages, maps, and training program.	Jun 1 - Jul 8, 1943	44718/2	635	301
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 z. KTB 5. Corps and division orders, maps, and radio and teletype messages.	Jul 8 - Aug 10, 1943	44718/3	635	661
Ia, Anlagenheft 3 z. KTB 5. Corps and division orders, radio and teletype messages, and maps.	Aug 10 - Sep 5, 1943	44718/4	635	1108
Ia, Anlagenheft 4 z. KTB 5. Radio and teletype messages, maps, and corps and division orders.	Sep 6 - 30, 1943	44718/5	636	1
Ic, IIa, Tätigkeitsberichte z. KTB 5.	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1943	44718/7	636	374
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5, Teil II. War journal concerning the operations of the division in the Orel, Karachev, Bryansk, Desna River, Gomel, and Zhlobin areas. The division was subordinate to the XLVI. and XLVII. Pz.K. (Stab Breitenbuch), Gruppe von Esebeck, Pz.AOK 2, 112. J.D. (Gruppe Wuthmann), 26. J.D. (Gruppe Wiese), XXXV. A.K., AOK 9, and LVI. Pz.K. at various times during this period and under the command of Generalleutnant Traut from Aug 1943.	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1943	44718/8	636	412
Ia, Anlagenheft 1 z. KTB 5. Reports, maps, and training regulations.	Jun 1 - Jul 31, 1943	44718/9	636	765
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 z. KTB 5. Corps and division orders and radio and teletype messages.	Aug 1 - Sep 30, 1943	44718/10	636	1115
Ic, Anlage z. TB z. KTB 5. Daily intelligence reports with maps and overlays relating to the Soviet offensive, and interrogation summaries on Russian deserters and prisoners of war. Also, intelligence bulletins and intercepted enemy radio messages.	Jun 1 - 30, 1943	44718/12	2324	951
Ic, IIa, Tätigkeitsberichte z. KTB 5.	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1943	45042/1	636	1437