

32. Infanterie-Division (32d Infantry Division)

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The 32. Infanterie-Division was formed in Kolberg in 1934-35 by expansion of Infanterie-Regiment 4 of the old Reichswehr and participated in the campaign in Poland in 1939 and in the West in 1940. Beginning June 22, 1941, it fought in the eastern campaign, crossing Lithuania via Mariampole and Kaunas. In July it entered Russia near Disna on the Dvina River and moved northward via Nevel, Novosokolniki, Kholm, Demyansk, and Valdai to Borovichi. In November and December 1941 it fought in the Borovichi, Lake Seliger, and Valdai Heights areas. From January 1942 to February 1943 the division took part in position defense in the Demyansk pocket and from

March through October in the Staraya Russa area, then moved to the Novosokolniki-Nevel area, where it participated in the battle for Nevel from November 13, 1943, to January 4, 1944. Although no records of this division dated later than December 31, 1943, are available, situation maps of Lage Ost show that it defended the Nevel, Polotsk, Sebezh, and OPOCHKA areas from January to April 1944, the Ostrov area from May to July, and the Madona area from August to October. It then withdrew to the area east of Liepaja (Libau), which it defended until February 1945, and to Preussisch Friedland to defend the Bütow, Rummelsberg, and Pillau areas until the latter part of April 1945.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Roll</u>	<u>1st Frame</u>
Ia, Taktische Befehle für A-, S- und SS-Fall. Orders relating to preparations for Operation "Gelb" (invasion of Holland, Belgium, and Luxembourg) by the 32. and 263. Inf.Div. and the 7. Pz.Div.	Mar 10 - Apr 23, 1940	F 110/5	869	1
Ia, Kriegstagebücher 1 u. 2. Operations during the transfer from Poland to the Cologne and Bonn areas; preparations for Operation "Gelb"; invasion of Belgium near Houffalize; the crossing of Belgium via Champlon, Beauraing, and Chimay; the invasion of France near Le Nouvion; the advance to Lille via Cambrai and Douai; the crossing of the Somme River at l'Etoile, the Bresle River near Eu, and the Seine River in the Rouen-Elbeuf area; the final offensive toward La Rochelle via Alencon, Mayenne, Laval, and Nantes; march movements back to Nantes and St.Nazaire and coastal defense in that area until Sep 1940; and the transfer to Graudenz, East Prussia. The division was subordinate to the V., II., and I. A.K., successively, under the command of Gen.Lt. Franz Böhme.	Oct 1, 1939 - Sep 22, 1940	W 4718, W 4718a	869	222
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 z. KTB. Tactical orders.	Feb 17 - Jun 14, 1940	W 4718c	869	613
Ia, Anlagenheft 3 z. KTB, Kriegsgliederungen.	Aug 3, 1940	W 4718d	869	845
Ia, Anlagenheft 3 z. KTB. Tactical orders.	Jun 16 - Sep 12, 1940	W 4718d/1	869	850
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4, Heimat. Transfer of the division from St.Lo to Graudenz and its training activities in the Graudenz, Kulm, Bromberg, Konitz, and Arys areas. Also, an order of battle chart and a map showing the location of billeting areas.	Sep 21, 1940 - Jan 31, 1941	11949/1	869	949

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Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Troop indoctrination and entertainment.	Sep 21, 1940 - Jan 31, 1941	11949/3	869	968
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4, Russland. Operations during the crossing of Lithuania via Mariampole and Kaunas and the Dvina River near Disna; offensive engagements in the Nevel, Novosokolniki, Pobereze, and Kholm areas; operations from Aug 5 to 28 around Kholm, and offensives east to Apolez and northward to Boroviche via Molovotitsy, Lake Seliger, Demyansk, and Valdai. The division was subordinate to the II. A.K. under the command of Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Bohnstedt.	Jun 22 - Dec 15, 1941	14124/1	869	978
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Divisionsbefehle.	Jun 23 - Dec 8, 1941	14124/2	870	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Tagesmeldungen der Divisionen.	Aug 6 - Dec 15, 1941	14124/3-4	870	210
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Tagesmeldungen der Regimenter (Inf. und Art.).	Nov 1 - Dec 15, 1941	14124/5	870	488
Ia, Studie Barbarossa. A study relating to Operation "Barbarossa" (invasion of Russia).	Jun 5 - 17, 1941	14124/18	870	609
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Verschiedenes.	Aug 5 - Dec 12, 1941	14124/19	870	680
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Enemy tactics and losses of men and equipment, anti-partisan action and combating enemy agents, and troop entertainment.	Jun 22 - Dec 14, 1941	14124/23	870	707
Ic, Anlage 1 z. TB, Feindnachrichtendienst, Abwehr, und geistige Betreuung. Instructions for obtaining information on enemy units, counterintelligence, and troop indoctrination. Also, interrogation summaries of Russian agents.	Aug 8 - Dec 16, 1941	14124/24	2337	1
Ic, Anlagen 2-3 z. TB, Tagesmeldungen. Daily reports concerning enemy operations, the tactical situation, and losses of men and equipment.	Jun 22 - Dec 15, 1941	14124/25-26	870	714
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. Defensive operations in the Klin, Lake Seliger, Valdai Heights, and Borovichi areas. The division was subordinate to the II. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Wilhelm Bohnstedt, Apr 10, 1942, Oberst Hernekamp, Jun 1, 1942, and Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Wegener.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jul 15, 1942	22358/1	870	1048

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5, Divisionsbefehle.	Mar 31 - Jun 2, 1942	22358/2	871	1
Ia, Anlagenbände 1-2 z. KTB 5, Allgemein, Berichte, Einzelbefehle, Übersichten.	Dec 15, 1941 - Jul 14, 1942	22358/3-4	871	23
Ia, Anlagenbände 1-3 z. KTB 5, Tagesmeldungen.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jul 15, 1942	22358/5-7	871	378
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5, Korpseinzelbefehle.	Jan 10 - Jul 14, 1942	22358/10	871	1033
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5, Tauwetterperiode, Rückwärtige Stellungen. Reports and directives concerning stockpiling for the wet season and the maintenance of supply routes. Also, maps and overlays showing the location of defensive positions and supply routes in the Klin, Kamenka, and Demyansk areas.	Jan 25 - Jun 2, 1942	22358/12	871	1176
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 5, Umgliederung.	May 9 - Jul 15, 1942	22358/13	872	1
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht z. KTB 5. Enemy tactical situation and losses of men and equipment, antipartisan action and combating enemy agents, troop entertainment, and German propaganda.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jul 15, 1942	22358/16	872	50
Ic, Anlage 1 z. TB, Tagesmeldungen.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jul 15, 1942	22358/17	872	57
Ic, Anlage 2 z. TB, Grundsätzliche Befehle, Abwehr und geistige Betreuung. Orders and instructions for antipartisan warfare and counterintelligence in occupied areas in Russia. Also, interrogation summaries of Russian agents.	Dec 26, 1941 - Jul 8, 1942	22358/18	2337	18
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 6. Defensive operations in the area of the Seliger, Polonets, Pestovskoye, and Velye Lakes east of Demyansk.	Jul 16, 1942 - Jan 31, 1943	26800/1	872	207
Ic, Anlagenband 1 z. KTB 6, Berichte, Einzelbefehle, Übersichten.	Jul 5 - Nov 30, 1942	26800/2	872	417
Ia, Anlagenband 2 z. KTB 6, Allgemeines.	Dec 1, 1942 - Feb 1, 1943	26800/3	872	748

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| Ia, Anlagenbände 1-2 z. KTB 6, Tagesmeldungen der Division. | Jul 16 - Nov 15, 1942 | 26800/5-6 | 872 | 984 |
| Ia, Anlagenband 2 z. KTB 6, Tagesmeldungen der Regimenter. | Sep 16 - Nov 15, 1942 | 26800/10 | 873 | 1 |
| Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. The enemy tactical situation and losses of men and equipment, antipartisan action and combating enemy agents, troop entertainment, and German propaganda. | Jul 16, 1942 -
Jan 31, 1943 | 26800/14 | 873 | 223 |
| Ic, Anlagenband 1 z. TB, Zusammenfassende Meldungen und Feindlagekarten. | Jul 11, 1942 -
Feb 15, 1943 | 26800/15 | 873 | 236 |
| Ic, Anlagenband 2 z. TB, Grundsätzliche Befehle, Abwehr, geistige Betreuung. | Sep 7 - Nov 3, 1942 | 26800/16 | 873 | 291 |
| Ia, Anlagenbände 3-4 z. KTB 6, Tagesmeldungen. | Nov 16, 1942 -
Jan 31, 1943 | 26800/17-
26800/18 | 873 | 308 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 7. Defensive operations in the area of the Seliger, Polonets, Pestovskoye, and Velye Lakes and withdrawal to the Lovat River area. Also, information relating to Operation "Ziethen" (withdrawal in the Demyansk area). | Feb 1 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36690/1 | 873 | 558 |
| Ia, Anlagenbände 1-2 z. KTB 7, Allgemeines. | Feb 1 - Jun 29, 1943 | 36690/3-4 | 873 | 791 |
| Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 7, Entrümpelung. Orders relating to the collection of surplus equipment and supplies. | Feb 2 - 14, 1943 | 36690/7 | 873 | 1248 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 8. Defensive operations south of Staraya Russa along the Lovat River, and transfer to the Novosokolniki-Nevel area and the defense of this sector. The division was subordinate to the II. and I. A.K. under the command of Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Wegener until Sep 15, 1943, and Gen.Lt. Hans Boeckh-Behrens thereafter. (This record item (filmed originally without frame numbers on MR 1229) has been assigned a simulated initial frame number.) | Jul 1 - Dec 31, 1943 | 44215/1 | 873 | 1327 |