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257. INFANTERIE-DIVISION (VOLKSGRENADIER) - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1939/03/00	Potsdam, Wehrkreis III	Activation of 257.ID (4.Welle) by conversion of 257.LdwD, formation	
1939/08/26	Ketzin, Potsdam, Doeberitz	Operational readiness, training	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Max von Viebahn, 1939/08/26-1941/03/30 Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo. III, 1939/08/26-1939/09/19
1939/09/18	Bielsko, Cracow, Poland	Security and occupation duty, training	Mil.Bfh. Krakau, 1939/09/20-1939/10/25
1939/10/23	Kaiserslautern, Sankt Ingbert	Transfer, training	
1940/06/14	Blieskastel, Forbach, Saarbruecken, Sarreguemines, Sarralbe, Bitche, Dambach-la-Ville, Phalsbourg, Saverne, France	Movement, breakthrough battle, offensive engagements, advance	AK 37 Hoeh.Kdo.zbV, 1940/07/02-1940/07/04
1940/07/04	Cracow, Poland Nowy Sacz, Tarnow, Rzeszow, Jaslo, Jaroslaw, Przemysl, Krosno	Transfer, occupation duty, border security, training, regrouping	AK 34 Hoeh.Kdo.zbV, 1940/07/05-1941/05/17
1941/06/22	Radymno, San River, Nikolayev, Rogatin, Chortkov, Gorodok, Sobolevka, Dunayevtsy, Luchinets, Olshanka, Kirovograd	Invasion of Russia, advance, offensive engagements	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Karl Sachs, 1941/03/31-1942/05/01 Subordinate to: AK 49 Geb, 1941/05/17-1941/07/10 AK 52, 1941/07/11-1941/08/08 AOK 17, 1941/08/09 AK 52, 1941/08/10-1941/08/14
1941/08/21	Psel River, Kremenchug, Dnieper River, Gradizhsk, Zhovnin, Cherkassy, Mirgorod, Krasnograd, Dmitriyevka, Poltava	Offensive engagements, advance	AK 49 Geb, 1941/08/15-1941/08/21 AK 11, 1941/08/22-1941/09/30 AK 52, 1941/10/01-1941/10/04 AK 4, 1941/10/04-1941/10/08
1941/11/07	Donets River, Barvenkovo, Dolgenkoye Golaya Dolina, Slavyansk, Belbasov		AK 44, 1941/10/08-1942/05/15
1942/07/29	Mailly-le-Camp, Chalons-sur-Marne, Nogent-sur-Seine, Chateaulin, Huelgoat, Brest, Morlaix, France	Transfer, rehabiliation, occupation duty, training, coastal defense	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Carl Puechler, 1942/04/16-1943/11/05 Subordinate to: AK 52, 1942/05/15-1942/06/03 AK 44, 1942/06/03-1942/07/18 PzAOK 1, 1942/07/18-1942/07/26 OKH, 1942/07/26-1942/08/06
1943/04/01	Lozovaya, Barvenkovo. Slavyansk, Bereka River, Petrovskaya, Petropolye, Semenovka, Zavodskoy, Donets River, Velikaya Kamyshevakh	Transfer, defensive and assault operations, training, regrouping a	AGr Felber, 1942/08/07-1942/09/02 AK 25, 1942/09/03-1943/04/06 AK 40 Pz, 1943/04/06-1943/06/30

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1943/09/08	Mechebilovo, Lozovaya, Grigoryevka	Disengagement movements			
1943/11/01	Chumaki, Tomahovka, Gurovka Selenaya, Lozovatka	Defensive operations	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Anton Frhr. von Mauchenheim gen. Bechtolsheim, 1943/11/05-1944/07/05		
1944/03/10	Dolinskaya, Yelanets, Tiraspol, Bendery	Disengagement movements, position defense			
1944/08/19	Cainari, Kashkaliya (Cascalia), Komrat, Tanatary, Russia	Withdrawal			
1944/08/21	Dej (Des), Rumania via Barlad	Withdrawal			
1944/08/27	Jassy, Husi, Prut River	Encirclement and destruction of combat	units		
1944/09/06	Garbou (Csakigarbo), Zalau (Zilah)	Assembly, movement of noncombatant unit	S		
1944/10/03	Debrecen, Hungary	Disbandment			
1944/10/25	Tr.Ueb.P1. Wandern, Wehrkr. III	Reorganization as 257.VGrD, formation			
1944/11/08	Tr.Ueb.Pl. Sieradz, Wehrkr. XXI	Movement, formation, training	Gen.Maj. Erich Seidel, 1944/11/01-1945/01/30		
1944/12/10	Zweibruecken, Germany	Transfer, Ardennes offensive			
1944/12/26	Bitche, Haspelschiedt, France	Withdrawal			
1945/01/01	Lemberg, Mouterhouse, Sarreinsberg	Operation Nordwind (offensive operations in Alsace)			
1945/02/07	Bischwiller, Haguenau, Soultz, Soufflenheim, Rittershoffen	Withdrawal, defensive operations			
1945/03/19	Bergzabern, Landau, Germany	Withdrawal, defensive operations			

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Ia, Gefechtsbericht. Afteraction report concerning quartering in the Sankt Ingbert and Blieskastel areas, participation of division elements in the breakthrough battle south of Saarbruecken, 14-17 Jun; advance and offensive engagements in the Sarreguemines, Sarralbe, Bitche, Niederbronn-les-Bains, Dambach-la-Ville, Phalsbourg, and Saverne areas in France, 18-24 Jun; movement to north of Saverne and Phalsbourg; the surrender of the French Commander of Bitche, 25-29 Jun; and the planned movement westward, 30 Jun 1940.	1940/06/14-1940/06/30	257.ID W1155	1802	1
Ia, KTB 1. War journal concerning formation and operational readiness in the Ketzin and Potsdam areas, 26 Aug-1 Sep; training in the Truppenuebungsplatz Doeberitz, 2-17 Sep; movement to and security of the Bielsko and Cracow areas, Poland, via Ratibor, Beuthen, Cosel, and Mikolow, 18-28 Sep; occupation duty and training, 29 Sep-22 Oct; and transfer to Kaiserslautern via Frankfurt/a.M., 23-25 Oct 1939. A strength report; an order-of-battle chart; registers of officers; and status reports, dated 20 to 24 Nov 1940. (There is no indication that KTB 2 and 3 and Anlagen for the period 23 Oct 1939-1 Jul 1940, record items W4947a-h and W5634a-c as listed in the Potsdam catalog, were ever in National Archives custody.)	1939/08/25-1939/10/25	257.ID P1223a	1802	11
 Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Orders, directives, and maps pertaining to formation, operational readiness, and training in the Potsdam area and at Truppenuebungsplatz Doeberitz; and movement to and security of the Bielsko and Cracow areas, Poland, and occupation duty, control of prisoners of war and the civilian population, and training in those areas. A status report dated 15 Oct 1939. 	1939/08/28-1939/10/15	257.ID P1223b	1802	52
Ia, TB. Activity report concerning the transfer from Sankt Ingbert to Cracow, Poland, 4-8 Jul, and occupation duty, border security, quartering,	1940/07/02-1941/05/19	257.ID 14790/1	1802	158

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pertaining to formation of the division (4.Welle) from Ersatz-Batl. of Wehrkreis III; transfer from Sankt Ingbert to Cracow, Poland, 4-8 Jul; guartering, training, map exercises (with order-of-battle charts of Russian units), occupation duty, construction of fortifications, and border security in the Cracow, Nowy Sacz, Tarnow, Rabka, Wolbrom, Jaslo, Krosno, Rzeszow, and Jaroslaw areas, 9 Jul-21 Nov; and release of division units to form the 123.ID in Wehrkreis III, 1 Oct 1940. Status reports and special directives concerning supply, rear services, and signal communications.				
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 zum TB. Orders, directives, reports, and maps pertaining to guartering, regrouping, training, construction of fortifications, border security, and preparations for Achtung Perta in the Rzeszow, Jaslo, Sanok, Krosno, Rymanow, Brzozow, and Przemysl areas. Order-of-battle chart and status and strength reports.	1940/11/21-1941/05/15	257.ID 14790/3	1802	450
IC, TB. Activity reports concerning observation of enemy activity inside the Russian border, counterintelligence, border security, and troop entertainment; and pamphlets presenting the history of the Saarpfalz and Upper Silesia.	1940/07/01-1941/05/20	257.ID 14790/4	1802	623
Ia, KTB 5. Ia, Anlagenheft 1 zum KTB 5. Orders, messsages, and maps pertaining to guartering, training, march control, and preparations for Operation Barbarossa (invasion of Russia), and Achtung Berta in the Krosno, Jaroslaw, and Przemysl areas, 15 May-15 Jun; assembly in the Radymno	1941/05/20-1941/12/12 1941/05/15-1941/07/10	257.ID 21716/1 257.ID 21716/2	1802 1803	719 1

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 Ia, Anlagenheft 2 zum KTB 5. Orders, messages, and maps pertaining to the advance to Chortkov and Gorodok, 11-14 Jul, break through the Stalin line in the Dunayevtsy area, 15-16 Jul, advance to and offensive engagements in the Novaya Ushitsa, Murovanye Kurilovtsy, Luchinets, Shargorod, Dzhurin, Tulchin, Kleban, Sobolevka, Teplik, and Golovanevsk areas, 17 Jul-8 Aug; and afteraction and status reports. 	1941/07/11-1941/08/10	257.ID 21716/3	1803	345
 Ia, Anlagenheft 3 zum KTB 5. Orders, messages, and maps pertaining to advance and offensive engagements from Olshanka, north of Pervomaisk, to Lelekovka, north of Kirovograd, 9-20 Aug; advance to the Psel River sector to relieve the 97.le.ID, 21-24 Aug; movement to west of Kremenchug in preparation for and execution of Operation Alex I (AK 11 attack across the Dnieper River, 28 Aug-9 Sep); offensive engagements in the Nedogarki and Gradizhsk areas, 11-13 Sep; and movement to Zhovnin to defend the Sula River sector, 14 Sep 1941. Status and casualty reports and order-of-battle charts. 	1941/08/09-1941/09/14	257.ID 21716/4	1803	577
Ia, Anlagenheft 4 zum KTB 5. Orders, messages, and maps pertaining to the defense of the Sula River sector in the Zhovnin area, 15-16 Sep; attack across the Sula River and advance to the Belousovka and Yablonevo areas east of Cherkassy, 17-22 Sep; movement to the area south of Krasnograd via Lubny, Romodan, Mirgorod, and Poltava to relieve elements of the 76. and 295.ID, 23 Sep-5 Oct; and offensive engagements in the	1941/09/15-1941/10/16	257.ID 21716/5	1803	821

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Ia, Anlagenheft 6 zum KTB 5. Casualty and strength	1941/06/08-1941/12/11	257.ID 21716/7	1804	2 37
reports. Ic, TB zum KTB 5. Activity report concerning enemy military activity along the Polish border, 21 May-21 Jun 1941; and enemy operations, movements, losses, and unit identification during the division's advance from Yavorov near Lvov to the area south of Izyum, 22 Jun-12 Dec 1941.	1941/05/21-1941/12/12	257.ID 21716/8	1804	255
<pre>Ic, Anlagenheft 3 zum TB. Daily intelligence reports. Ic, Anlagenheft 4 zum TB, Allgemeines. Corps and division orders pertaining to division operations for the period 15 Aug-11 Dec 1941; a report, 10 Jun 1941, on enemy activity along the Polish border; an intelligence bulletin, 19 Jun 1941; and an afteraction critique, 3 Dec 1941, relating to the assignment of the division in the east.</pre>	1941/05/20-1941/12/12 1941/06/10-1941/12/12	257.ID 21716/11 257.ID 21716/12	1804 1804	339 564
 Ia, KTB 6. War journal concerning defensive and security operations, counterattacks, and construction and defense of positions and strong points in the Donets River, Slavyansk, Krasnoarmeysk, Cherkasskaya, Belbasovka, and Gclaya Dolina areas. 	1941/12/13-1942/08/06	257.ID 22966/1	1804	740
Ia, Anlagenheft 1 zum KTB 6. Orders, messages, maps, and overlays pertaining to the defense of the Donets	1941/12/13-1942/01/17	257.ID 22966/2	1804	941

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River sector in the Barvenkovo, Cherkasskaya, Slavyansk, and Baygorodok areas; construction of defensive positions; and the formation and assignment of counterattack groups. Status and casualty reports, directives regarding winter warfare, a report on the supply situation, and an afteraction critique relating to the winter campaign of the division.				
Ia, Anlagenheft 2 zum KTB 6. Daily reports, orders, and maps pertaining to defensive operations and counterattacks in the Slavyansk, Mayaki, Cherkasskaya, Raygorodck, and Krasnoarmeysk areas; order-of-battle charts; a casualty report; and an afteraction report concerning operations, 18-28 Jan 1942, of the reinforced Inf.Rgt. 477.	1942/01/18-1942/02/09	257.ID 22966/3	1805	1
Ia, Anlagenheft 3 zum KTB 6. Daily reports, orders, and maps pertaining to defensive operations, counterattacks, and rail security in the Slavyansk, Cherkasskaya, Raygorodok, Mayaki, Belbasovka, and Krasnoarmeysk areas; status and casualty reports; directives regarding preparations for the thaw period; and afteraction reports concerning operations, 18 Jan-12 Feb 1942, of the reinforced Inf.Rgt. 457.	1942/02/10-1942/03/05	257.ID 22966/4	1805	219
 Ia, Anlagenheft 4 zum KTB 6. Daily reports, messages, orders, and maps pertaining to defensive operations, counterattacks, and construction of positions and strong points in the Slavyansk, Cherkasskaya, Belbasovka, Raygorodok, Mayaki, and Krasnoarmeysk areas; order-of-battle charts; and status and casualty 	1942/03/08-1942/03/31	257.ID 22996/5	1805	440
reports. Ia, Anlagenheft 5 zum KTB 6. Daily orders, messages, reports, and maps pertaining to defensive operations and counterattacks in the Slavyansk, Cherkasskaya, Belbasovka, Raygorodok, Mayaki, and Krasnoarmeysk areas; order-of-battle charts; and a status report.	1942/04/01-1942/04/30	257.ID 22966/6	1805	703
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orders, and maps pertaining to defensive operations and division and enemy artillery activity in the Slavyansk area, 1-16 May; attack forcing the enemy across the Donets River east of Slavyansk, 17-19 May; and the construction of Donets positions and defense of the Donets River front in the Belbasovka, Golaya Dolina, and Bogorodichnoye areas, 20-31 May 1942. Order-of-battle charts, a report on the supply situation, and a status report.

- Ia, Anlagenheft 7 zum KTB 6. Daily reports, messages, orders, and maps pertaining to defensive operations and training in the Belbasovka, Golaya Dolina, and Bogorodichnoye areas, 1-20 Jun and 24 Jun-6 Jul; execution of Angriff Fridericus 2 (attack across the Donets River by AK 44 while the 257.ID held the Donets line in the Bogorodichnoye area, 21-23 Jun) and Operation Blau (attack across the Donets River by the division in the Prishib area, 7-9 Jul); defensive operations and training east of the Donets River, 10 Jul-1 Aug; and transfer beginning 29 Jul 1942 to the west of Slavyansk. Order-of-battle charts and status and strength reports.
- Ic, TB zum KTB 6. Activity report concerning enemy operations, movements, losses, and unit identification; operations against partisans; and troop entertainment.
- Ic, Anlagen zum TB. Daily intelligence reports concerning enemy operations, movements, losses, unit identification and strength, type and number of weapons, and agents and partisan activity.
- Ic, Anlagenheft zum TB, NAZ (Nahaufklaerungszug). Intercepted enemy messages.
- Ic, Anlagenheft zum TB, NAZ (Nahaufklaerungszug). Intercepted enemy messages.
- Ic, Anlagenheft zum TB. OKW war communiques; an organizational history of Russian forces facing AK 44,

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- 15 Apr 1942; German and enemy propaganda leaflets; translations of captured Russian combat orders; reports pertaining to Russian coding procedures and the employment of German agents; order-of-battle charts of the Soviet 6th and 12th Armies; interrogation summaries; intelligence bulletins; and orders relating to personnel matters.
- Ia, Gefechtsbericht ueber die Winter- und Fruehjahrsschlachten am Donez. Afteraction report concerning the 1942 winter and spring battles of the 257.ID in the Donets River sector.
- Ia, TB 7. Activity report concerning the transfer from Slavyansk, Russia, to Mailly-le-Camp, France, via Gomel, Warsaw, Magdeburg, Aachen, and Charleville, 29 Jul-24 Aug; guartering and rehabilitation in the Chalons-sur-Marne, Troyes, and Nogent-sur-Seine areas, 25 Aug-4 Sep; movement to and quartering, occupation duty, training, and regrouping in the Chateaulin, Saint-Renan, Landivisiau, Huelgoat, and Chateauneuf areas, 5 Sep-19 Oct; relief of the 335.ID; coastal defense, rear area security, and training in the Landerneau, Chateaulin, Landivisiau, Brest, and Morlaix areas, 20 Oct 1942-22 Mar 1943; relief by the 113.ID, 23-27 Mar, and transfer to Zaporozhe in the southern sector of the eastern front, 1-6 Apr 1943; directives pertaining to operations against partisans and control of the civilian population.
- Ia, Anlagen zum TB 7. Orders, messages, and maps pertaining to the transfer to France; quartering, rehabilitation, and training in the Troyes and Nogent-sur-Seine areas and at the military camps Mailly-le-Camp and Mourmelon-le-Grande, 14 Aug-4 Sep; movement to and quartering, occupation duty, training, and regrouping in the Chateaulin, Landerneau, Chateauneuf, Landivisiau, and Huelgoat areas, 5 Sep-19

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Ia, Anlagen zum TB 7. Orders, directives, messsages, and maps pertaining to coastal defense, training, and maneuvers in the Brest, Morlaix, Chateaulin, and Landerneau areas, 20 Dec 1942-22 Mar 1943; relief by the 113.ID, 23-27 Mar; and transfer to the Heeresgruppe Sued sector on the eastern front, 1 Apr 1943. Order-of-battle charts and status reports.	1942/12/20-1943/04/01	257.ID 31282/3	1807	396
Ia, Sonderanlage 1 zum TB 7, Kuestenverteidigungsplan fuer den Kuestenverteidigungsabschnitt B. Reports dated 1 Jan 1943 and maps pertaining to the coastal defense plan of the 257.ID in the Brest, Morlaix, Landerneau, and Chateaulin areas.	1943/01/19-1943/01/19	257.ID 31282/4	1807	579
<pre>Ia, Sonderanlage 2 zum TB 7. Reports and critiques relating to the reactivation and guartering of the 113.ID in the division sector, 23 Feb-27 Mar; order-of-battle charts and strength reports of the 113.ID; directives pertaining to formation of Auffangabteilung Elorn (receiving unit) for the care and assignment of air force personnel to the 113.ID; training of air force field troops; and special directives concerning supply for the 113.ID, relief of the 257.ID by the 113.ID, and the formation of the 76. and 305.ID.</pre>	1943/02/19-1943/03/30	257.ID 31282/5	1807	646
Ia, Sonderanlage 3 zum TB 7. Orders and reports pertaining to the refitting and reorganizing of the 257.ID as a combat division.	1942/10/23-1943/04/01	257.ID 31282/6	1807	706
Ic, TB. Activity report concerning the nature of the area occupied and its population; enemy air, naval, and sabotage activity; and German coastal and air defense,	1942/08/15-1943/03/31	257.ID 31282/8	1807	796

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Ia, KTB 8. War journal concerning the transfer from Brest, France, to Lozovaya, Barvenkovo, and Slavyansk, Russia, and the relief of the 5.SS PzGrD Wiking, 1-14 Apr; and defensive, assault, and reconnaissance operations, construction of positions, training, and regrouping in the Donets River sector southwest of Izyum.	1943/04/06-1943/06/30	257.ID 34313/1	1808	1
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 8. Daily reports, messages, orders, maps, and overlays pertaining to operations of the 5. SS-PzGrD "Wiking" in the Izyum area, 27 Mar-5 Apr; transfer of the 257.ID from France to Slavyansk, Barvenkovo, and Lozovaya, Russia; relief of the 5. SS-PzGrD "Wiking," 6-14 Apr; and defensive, assault, and reconnaissance operations in the Bereka River, Petrovskaya, Grushevakha, Protopovka, Petropol'ye, Semenovka, and Krasnyy Shakhter areas southwest of Izyum, 14 Apr-10 Jun 1943. A report on the formation, organization, mission, and training of an Ersatzbtl. (replacement battalion); order-of-battle charts; status reports; a timetable of divisionary action, dated 30 May; and surveys of bridges and accidents caused by mine explosions.	1943/03/27-1943/06/10	257.ID 34313/2	1808	154
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operations, construction of positions, training, and regrouping in the Bereka River, Semenovka, Zavodskoy, Petrovskaya, Velikaya Kamyshevakha, and Protopovka areas along the Donets River southwest of Izyum; order-of-battle charts; a casualty report; and surveys of bridges, mines laid and removed, and Donets River fords.

- Ia, Sonderanlage zum KTB 8, Vorhaben "Panther". Code name for operations initiating the crossing of the Donets River and eventual attack on Izyum, canceled 11 May 1943.
- Ic, TB mit Anlagen zum KTB 8. Activity report concerning the transfer from Brest, France, to Barvenkovo and Izyum, Russia, the relief of the 5. SS-PzGrD "Wiking," 1-14 Apr; enemy operations, losses, partisan activity, and unit identification, 14 Apr-30 Jun 1943; reports regarding operations against partisans and troop indoctrination and entertainment; special orders relating to intelligence service and control of the civilian population; German and enemy propaganda leaflets; daily intelligence reports pertaining to enemy operations; and maps showing the location of enemy forces facing the 257.ID.

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