

The 21. Infanterie-Division (1. Welle) was formed in 1934-35 by expansion of Infanterie-Regiment 3 (Deutsch Eylau) of the old Reichswehr. In September 1939 the division was engaged in the campaign in Poland, in October 1939 it was transferred to the Eifel region, and in May 1940 it participated in the western campaign. From July to September 1940 the division performed occupation duty along the demarcation line and the Swiss border, and in September 1940 it was transferred to Wehrkreis I. On June 21, 1941, the division invaded Lithuania near Tilsit and advanced to the Chudovo area via Rad-

viliskis, Jekabpils, Ostrov, Dno, Shimsk, and Novgorod. From August to November 1941 it defended the Chudovo area and the Volkhov area until January 1942. The division participated in position defense in the Kirishi area from January to August, the Tigoda River sector from September 1942 to January 1943, the Mga area from January to April, and the Kolpino area from May to August 1943. Although there are no records of the division available dated later than September 24, 1943, the situation maps of Heeresgruppe Nord show that the division took part in the defense of the Chudovo area from September 1943 to January 1944. By the end of 1944 it had withdrawn to East Prussia via Pleskau, Ostrov, Aluksne, and Tilsit.

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Ia, Anlage z. KTB, Aisne - Übergang am 9.6.40. Plans and details concerning the crossing of the Aisne River on Jun 9, 1940, by the 17. and 21. Inf.Div.	Jan 1 - Apr 4, 1941	E 206/10a	749	1
Ia, Anlage z. KTB, Die 21. Infanterie-Division im Westfeldzug. Reports concerning the crossing of the Ardennes, along the Aisne River, crossing of the Aisne River, the taking of Rethel, and the advance to Châlons-sur-Marne. The division was subordinate to the XIII. A.K. under the command of Generalmajor Sponheimer.	May 10 - Jun 25, 1940	E 206/12	749	41
Ia, Anlagenheft 1 z. KTB 2, taktische Befehle. Orders relating to the transfer of the division from Danzig to the Eifel region and its training in this area. The division's commander was Gen.Lt. Hans-Kuno v. Both.	Oct 2 - Dec 5, 1939	W 382b*	749	433
Ia, Kriegstagebuch. Position warfare along the Luxembourg-Belgian border and crossing into Luxembourg. The division was subordinate to the III. and XVIII. A.K. under the command of Generalmajor Sponheimer.	Feb 15 - May 12, 1940	W 388a	749	492
Ia, Anlage z. KTB 1. Orders, directives, charts, and maps pertaining to preparations for the Polish campaign, engagements from Graudenz via Nidzica and Lomza to Bialystok, and transfer at the end of the campaign to the Elbing and Danzig areas. The division commander was Gen.Lt. Hans-Kuno v. Both during this period.	Aug 21 - Sep 30, 1939	P 587b*	749	519
Ia, Anlagenbände II-III z. KTB 4. Messages, orders, directives, maps and reports.	Jun 9 - 16, 1940	8225/7-8	749	677

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. War journal concerning operations during the transfer to the Besancon and Belfort areas, training and occupation duty, the closing of the demarcation line and the Swiss border, Jul 31, 1940, and the transfer to the Danzig and Marienburg areas in Sep 1940. Also, officers' duty assignment rosters and combat and ration strength reports. The division was subordinate to AOK 12, Höh. Kdo. z.b.V. XXVIII, and the XXV., XVIII., and XXVII. A.K., successively.	Jul 3 - Sep 16, 1940	11453/1	750	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5. Orders, directives, and overlays.	Jul 3 - Sep 16, 1940	11453/2	750	56
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 6. War journal concerning operations in the Elbing, Marienburg, Danzig, and Marienwerder areas. Also, photographs of the division's occupation sites, combat and ration strength reports, and an officers' duty assignment roster. The division was subordinate to the I. A.K.	Sep 12, 1940 - Jan 27, 1941	11453/4	750	353
Ia, Anlagenbände 1-2 z. KTB 6. Orders, directives, reports, and charts.	Sep 6, 1940 - Jan 27, 1941	11453/5-6	750	403
Ia, Tätigkeitsbericht. Activity report concerning operations during winter training and maneuvers in the Elbing, Graudenz, and Marienburg areas. Also, combat and ration strength reports and an officers' duty assignment roster.	Feb 1 - Mar 31, 1941	11453/8	750	928
Ia, Anlagen z. TB. Orders, directives, and charts.	Feb 6 - Mar 14, 1941	11453/9	750	962
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 7. War journal concerning the division's operations during the spring war games in the Braunsberg, Preussisch Eylau, Zinten, Kreuzburg, Elbing, and Mühlhausen areas and the strategic concentration of its units in the Tilsit area. Also, combat and ration strength reports.	Apr 1 - Jun 15, 1941	11453/11	751	1
Ia, Anlagenband z. KTB 7, Verschiedenes.	Apr 1 - Jun 14, 1941	11453/12	751	79
Ia, Anlagenband I-V z. KTB "Frühjahrskriegsspiel". Orders, directives, and maps concerning the division's participation in the spring war games in the Braunsberg, Preussisch Eylau, Zinten, Kreuzburg, Elbing, and Mühlhausen areas.	Mar 19 - Jun 17, 1941	11453/14-18	751	365
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht und Erfahrungsberichte. Activity report and afteraction critiques and reports concerning troop indoctrination and entertainment and counterintelligence activity.	Feb 1 - May 31, 1941	11453/20	751	763

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Ia, Gefechtsberichte über der Kampf "Vom Mshaga bis zum Korostj" (Eroberung von Nowgorod.) Afteraction report concerning the division's engagements from the Mshaga River to the Volkhov River and the conquest of Novgorod.	Aug 10 - 20, 1941	12613	751	781
Ia, Gefechtsbericht "Von Tschudowo bis Wolchowstroy". Afteraction report pertaining to the division's engagements from Chudovo to Volkhov.	Oct 15 - Nov 16, 1941	17261	751	812
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 9. War journal concerning combat engagements in the Tikhvin, Volkhov, Grusino, Kirishi, Lipovik, and Chudovo areas and the cutting of the Murmansk railroad line. The division was subordinate to Gruppe Wolchow and the I. A.K. under the command of Generalleutnant Sponheimer.	Nov 20, 1941 - Jan 6, 1942	22987/1	751	859
Ia, Anlagenband II z. KTB 9, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen und Befehle.	Nov 20, 1941 - Jan 6, 1942	22987/3	752	1
Ia, Anlagenband III z. KTB 9. Maps, overlays, reports, and orders.	Dec 13, 1941 - Jan 5, 1942	22987/4	752	588
Ia, Anlagenband IV z. KTB 9, Fernsprechbücher.	Nov 18, 1941 - Jan 10, 1942	22987/5	753	1
Ia, Die Winterkämpfe 1942 im Raume um Lipowik. A report, casualty lists, order of battle charts, and situation maps pertaining to winter battles in the Lipovik area.	Sep 15, 1942	23411	753	258
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 10. War journal concerning operations on the west bank of the Volkhov River with a bridgehead on the east bank at Kirishi. Also, notes on the Operations Officer's telephone conversations, combat and ration strength reports, and an officers' duty assignment register.	Jan 7 - Mar 16, 1942	24256/1	753	296
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 10, Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstärken, Tagesmeldungen, Funk-sprüche und Befehle.	Jan 7 - Feb 13, 1942	24256/2	753	915
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 10, Tagesmeldungen, Befehle und Feindlagekarten.	Feb 13 - Mar 16, 1942	24256/3	754	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. [This war journal is a copy of item 11453/1.]	Jul 3 - Sep 16, 1940	25557/1	754	451

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 6. <u>[This war journal is a copy of item 11453/4 without the photographs.]</u>	Sep 12, 1940 - Jan 27, 1941	25557/2	754	485
Ia, Tätigkeitsbericht. <u>[This item includes a copy of item 11453/8.]</u> Also, training directives and schedules and a survey of troop inspections.	Feb 1 - Mar 31, 1941	25557/3	754	532
Ia, Anlagenband z. KTB 7. Orders, diagrams, charts, overlays, and notes on staff conferences concerning the division's training activities and its transfer to the Tilsit area in June 1941. Also, combat and ration strength reports.	Apr 3 - Jun 17, 1941	25557/5	754	599
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 7, Übungsvorhaben. Training schedules.	Mar 31 - Jun 7, 1941	25557/6	754	676
Ia, Kriegstagebuch "Frühjahrskriegsspiel". War journal concerning operations during the spring war games in the Braunsberg, Preussisch Eylau, Zinten, Kreuzburg, Elbing, and Mühlhausen areas.	Mar 20 - Jun 18, 1941	25557/8	755	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB "Frühjahrskriegsspiel". Korpsbefehle.	Jun 9 - 18, 1941	25557/9	755	43
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB "Frühjahrskriegsspiel". Verschiedenes.	Jun 4 - 18, 1941	25557/10	755	76
Ia, Ib, Anlagen z. KTB 3. Orders, reports, maps, and overlays pertaining to combat engagements in the Porkhov, Marina, Dno, and Soltsy areas and on the Mshaga River front and to the division's supply services, administration, and situation. Also, special supply directives.	Jun 1 - Aug 2, 1941	26010/2	755	98
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 14, Bände I-III. War journal concerning defensive engagements in the Dubovik, Lipovik, and Pogost'ye areas south of Lake Ladoga. The division was subordinate to the I. and XXVIII. A.K.	Mar 17 - Jun 9, 1942	28477/1- 28477/3	755- 756	738, 1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 14, Mappen IV-IX. Messages, orders, reports, announcements, directives, and maps.	Mar 17 - Jun 9, 1942	28477/4- 28477/9	756- 757	260, 649
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe V. Daily reports, orders, messages, and maps pertaining to combat engagements on the Volkhov River front near Kirishi.	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30190/1	757	878

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe XIII. Notes on the Operations Officer's telephone conversations.	Jun 11 - Sep 22, 1942	30190/6	757	1261
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 15, Mappe I. War journal concerning defensive battles on the Volkhov River front near Kirishi. Also, lists of officers' duty assignments and casualties, combat and ration strength reports, and statistics on ammunition expenditure.	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30442/1	757	1416
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe II. Morgen-, Abend- und Zwischenmeldungen.	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30442/2	758	3
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe III-IV. Orders, directives, messages, reports, and diagrams.	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30442/3-4	758	227
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe VI. Daily reports, messages, orders, and overlays pertaining to combat engagements along the Volkhov River front. Also, orders relating to Operation "Sektpulle" (improvement of the main line of resistance in the Kirishi area).	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30515/1	758	955
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe VII, Morgen-, Abend- und Zwischenmeldungen.	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30515/2	758	1349
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 15, Mappe VIII. Orders, order of battle charts, and overlays pertaining to the preparation for and the execution of Operation "Mickenschleier" (offensives of Gruppe Sponheimer (11. and 21. Inf.Div.) in the Pogost'ye and Posadnikov Ostrov area). Also, overlays showing the tactical disposition of enemy forces during this operation.	Jun 10 - Sep 22, 1942	30515/3	759	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 16, Mappe I-II. War journal concerning defensive engagements along the Volkhov River and in front of the Russian bridgehead at the Tigoda River outlet. Also, an officers' duty assignment register, combat and ration strength reports, and daily casualty lists. The division was subordinate to the XXVIII. A.K. under the command of Generalleutnant Sponheimer until Jan 10, 1943, after which Gen.Maj. Gerhard Matzky was in command.	Sep 23, 1942 - Jan 26, 1943	34990/1-2	759	179
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe III-IV, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen und Befehle.	Sep 23 - Oct 27, 1942	34990/3- 34990/4	759- 760	611, 1

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe XVI, Entwurf KTB 16. First draft of war journal.	Sep 22, 1942 - Jan 26, 1943	35005/4	760	323
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe V, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen, Befehle, Erfahrungs- und Zustandsberichte und Feindnachrichtenblätter.	Oct 27 - Nov 13, 1942	35033/1	760	457
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe VI-VII, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen, Befehle, Truppenbesuche und Erfahrungsberichte.	Nov 14 - Dec 19, 1942	35033/2-3	760	859
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe VIII, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen, Befehle, Ausbildungshinweise und Gefangenenaussage.	Dec 20, 1942 - Jan 10, 1943	35033/4	761	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe IX, Zustandsberichte, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen und Befehle.	Dec 31, 1942 - Jan 24, 1943	35352/1	761	301
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe X, Sonderakte: Vorbereitungen für Bereinigung des russ. Brückenkopfes südlich der Tigodamündung. Orders, directives, maps, and overlays pertaining to preparations for the clearance of the Russian bridge-head south of the Tigoda River outlet.	Oct 1, 1942 - Jan 16, 1943	35352/2	761	698
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 16, Mappe XI, Stellungsbauberichte und Karten. Maps, overlays, orders, and directives.	Aug 10, 1942 - Jan 30, 1943	35352/3	762	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe VI, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen und Befehle.	May 11 - Jun 10, 1943	41708/1	762	316
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe VII, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen, Befehle und Artilleristische Meldungen und Befehle.	Jun 10 - Jul 5, 1943	41708/2	762	779
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe VIII, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen, Befehle und Zustandsberichte.	Jul 5 - Aug 1, 1943	41708/3	762	1155
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe IX, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen, Befehle und Zustand- und Gefechtsberichte.	Aug 1 - 17, 1943	41708/4	763	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe X, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen, Befehle und Vernehmungen.	Aug 17 - Sep 5, 1943	41708/5	763	414

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe XI, Morgen-, Tages- und Zwischenmeldungen, Befehle, Zustand- und Gefechtsberichte und Vernehmungen.	Sep 3 - 20, 1943	41763/1	763	820
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 17, Mappe I. War journal concerning the defense of the Sinyavino Heights. Also, an officers' duty assignment register and daily casualty lists. The division was subordinate to the XXVI. A.K. under the command of Gen.Maj. Gerhard Matsky.	Jan 27 - Mar 16, 1943	41843/1	764	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 17, Mappe II, Morgen- und Tagesmeldungen, Fernsprüche, Befehle und Vernehmungen.	Jan 17 - Feb 7, 1943	41843/2	764	243
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 17, Mappe III, Tagesmeldungen, Fernsprüche, Vernehmungen, Befehle, Zustandsberichte und Artilleriebefehle.	Feb 8 - 22, 1943	41843/3	764	585
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 17, Mappe IV, Morgen- und Tagesbefehle, Fernsprüche, Befehle, Gefechts-, Zustand- und Erfahrungsberichte, Vernehmungen und Artilleriebefehle.	Feb 23 - Mar 10, 1943	41843/4	764	943
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 17, Mappe V, Tagesmeldungen, Fernsprüche, Befehle, Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstärken und Entwurf KTB 17.	Jan 25 - Mar 16, 1943	41843/5	764	1283
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 17, Mappe VI, Lage-, Wege- und Strassenkarten. Maps (1:25,000 and 1:50,000) showing the tactical disposition of the division and the location of roads and billeting areas in the region south of Lake Ladoga. Also, a list of subordinate units with the location of their billeting areas.	Jan 25 - Feb 15, 1943	41843/6	765	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 19, Mappe I und II. War journal concerning defensive engagements in the Neva-Tosna River sector and the smashing of the Soviet breakthrough attempts on the Sinyavino Heights. Also, the first draft of this war journal, statistical data pertaining to the expenditure of ammunition, and combat and ration strength reports.	Apr 4 - Sep 20, 1943	42166/1-2	765	66
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe III, Gefechtsstärken.	Apr 4 - Sep 20, 1943	42166/3	765	651
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe IV, Morgen-, Tages- und Wochenmeldungen, Befehle, Vernehmungen und Zustandsberichte.	Apr 4 - Sep 24, 1943	42166/4	765	980

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 19, Mappe V, Morgen-, Tages- und Wochenmeldungen, Befehle, und Ausbildungshinweise.	Apr 25 - May 13, 1943	42166/5	765	1305
Ia, Minenanlagen in Eisenbahnbrücken, Eisenbahnsperren. Correspondence, reports, orders, and drawings pertaining to the operations of engineer detachments subordinate to various Kommandanturen in Wehrkreis I and to the 1. Inf.Div., and, from Oct 10, 1935, to the 21. Inf.Div., all of which relate to blasting-charge and demolition boxes, demolition installation in road and railroad bridges, the blockading of railroad lines and roads, the training of railroad personnel in obstacle construction service, and the securing and blockading of waterways.	Jul 17, 1933 - Dec 15, 1936	42166/7	766	1