

The 46. Infanterie-Division (1. Welle) was formed after the annexation of the Sudeten areas. It participated in the Polish campaign and secured the demarcation line in Poland. In October 1939 the division was transferred to the Rhineland, and in May 1940 it took part in the western campaign. It was transferred from the Tours area to Rumania and Bulgaria in March 1941, then participated in the invasion and occupation of Yugoslavia. In the latter part of June the division was transferred to the southern sector of the eastern front, advancing to Kerch via Yampol, Krasnograd, Znamenka, Nikolaev, Armyansk, and Simferopol. In the summer of 1942 it occupied the Caucasus and in January 1943 began its retreat to the Izyum area. In the fall and winter of 1943 it took part in defensive operations along the Dnieper River from Dnepropetrovsk to Nikopol.

Although no records of this division dated later than December 31, 1943, are available, situation maps of Lage Ost show that it withdrew from January to May 1944 from Nikopol to the Roman area via Krivoi Rog, Bobrinets, Pervomaisk, and Kishinev and defended this area until August. The division participated in defensive engagements in September and October in the Piatra Neamt and Sighisoara areas of Rumania and the Nyiregyhaza area of Hungary, and was in the Budapest area to the latter part of December 1944. In January 1945 the division withdrew to Banska Stiavnica and Nove Zamky, Slovakia, and defended the Nove Zamky area until March. It was redesignated the 46. Volksgrenadier-Division on March 1, 1945. The division defended the Brno (Brünn) area in April 1945.

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Ia, Bericht über den Einsatz der 46. Inf.Div. im Westfeldzug. Report concerning the division's offensive engagements and advance through Holland, Belgium, and France to Angers via Maastricht, Tongres, the Albert Canal, Wareme, Namur, Charleroi, Mons, Douai, Arras, Albert, Amiens, Poix, Rouen, Chartres, Nogent-le-Rotrou, Le Mans, and Laval. Also, a report on the activities of Infanterie-Regiment 72 of the division while it was operating as an airborne unit with the mission of capturing Rotterdam.	May 10 - Jun 22, 1940	E 206/13	929	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3. Securing the demarcation line in Poland, movement in late Oct 1939 to the Minsk-Kolbiel area for entraining to the area east of Paderborn, Germany, refitting, rehabilitation, and training in this area, and movement to the Aachen area in May 1940. The division was subordinate to the X., VI., and XVII. A.K., H.Gr. B, I. A.K., AOK 4, and the XXXVIII. A.K., successively, under the command of Gen.Maj. Paul von Hase.	Oct 13, 1939 - Jun 6, 1940	W 4391/a	929	62
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 3. Messages, directives, orders, charts, and maps.	Dec 27, 1939 - Jun 6, 1940	W 4391/c	929	173
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4. Offensives in the Rouen, Chartres, Nogent-le-Rotrou, Le Mans, Laval, and Angers areas and the securing of the Loire River sector. The division was subordinate to the XXXVIII., I., XL., and VI. A.K., successively.	Jun 7 - Jul 9, 1940	W 4391/d*	929	484
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4. Orders, directives, messages, maps, and overlays.	Jun 7 - Jul 9, 1940	W 4391/e	929	539

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. March movements to the area southwest of Tours, securing the demarcation line, and training activities. The division was subordinate to the VI. A.K., under the command of Gen.Maj. Paul von Hase until Jul 24, 1940, and of Gen.Lt. Karl Kriebel thereafter.	Jul 9 - 31, 1940	W 4391/f*	929	880
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5. Orders, directives, and overlays.	Jul 9 - 31, 1940	W 4391/g	930	1
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht 1. Division and enemy operations and troop indoctrination and entertainment.	Mar 1 - Jul 31, 1940	W 4391/h*	930	250
Ia, Ic, Anlagen z. TB. Division orders; intelligence bulletins concerning enemy operations, enemy propaganda leaflets, and maps showing the tactical disposition of enemy forces.	May 8 - Jul 6, 1940	W 4391/i*	930	280
Ia, Anlagenband 2 z. KTB 6. Orders, messages, directives, reports, and an overlay pertaining to the relief of the division by the 246. Inf.Div. and to division operations during the transfer from the Tours area to Rumania and Bulgaria in Mar 1941, to march movements and road reconnaissance in this area, to the invasion of Yugoslavia from Bulgaria on Apr 10, to offensives in the areas north and east of Belgrade, and to occupation duty and training in this area until Jun 1941. The division was subordinate to the VI., XI., and L. A.K., successively.	Feb 25 - Jun 10, 1941	11369/3	930	696
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 7. Division operations during occupation duty and training in the Belgrade area; the transfer to Bucharest and east of the Prut River in the latter part of June; the crossing of the Dniester River near Yampol; offensives and advance to the Crimea via Kodyma, the Bug, Ingulets, and Dnieper River crossings, and Nikolaev, Kherson, Perekop, Armyansk, Simferopol, Feodosiya, and Kerch; and the defense of the Kerch Peninsula during December. The division was subordinate to Höh.Kdo. LXV, AOK 11, the XXX., LIV., and XLII. A.K., successively. <u>For further coverage of the period Nov 9, 1941 to May 18, 1942, see item 77802.</u>	Jun 11, 1941 - Jan 1, 1942	18013/1	930	1043
Ia, Anlagenbände 1-2 z. KTB 7. Orders, directives, reports, and messages.	Jun 10 - Aug 31, 1941	18013/2-3	931	1

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Ia, Anlagenband 3 z. KTB 7. Orders, directives, messages, maps, and charts.	Nov 1, 1941 - Jan 1, 1942	18013/5	931	768
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Division and enemy operations, counterintelligence activity, and troop entertainment.	Jun 12, 1941 - Jan 1, 1942	18013/8	932	1
Ic, Anlagen z. TB. Orders, directives, reports, and messages.	Jun 12 - Oct 30, 1941	18013/9	932	48
Ic, Anlagen z. TB. Interrogation summaries, reports, and overlays.	Nov 1 - Dec 27, 1941	18013/10	932	395
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 8. Defense of the Feodosiya-Kerch area and offensives in April and May, which drove the enemy forces out of the Kerch Peninsula. The division was subordinate to the XIII. A.K., under the command of Oberst Heimer until March and of Oberst Haccius thereafter.	Jan 2 - May 31, 1942	21474/1	932	533
Ia, Anlagenbände A-C z. KTB 8. Orders, reports, directives, announcements, messages, and overlays.	Jan 2 - May 31, 1942	21474/2- 21474/4	932- 933	669, 336
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Division and enemy operations, enemy unit identification and losses of men and equipment, counterintelligence activities, and troop entertainment.	Jan 2 - May 31, 1942	21474/6	933	727
Ic, Anlagenheft z. TB. Intelligence and interrogation reports, announcements, overlays, and charts.	Jan 3 - Apr 30, 1942	21474/7	933	772
Ic, Anlagenband z. TB. Reports, messages, orders, and maps.	May 1 - 31, 1942	21474/8	934	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 11. Defensive operations in the Voroshilovsk, Slavyansk, and Izyum areas and Operations "Erna," "Sonnenwende," and "Apfelernte" (raids in the Izyum area). The division was subordinate to the XL. Pz.K., under the command of Gen.Lt. Arthur Hauffe. [See Item No. 39033/17 for coverage of the period from Nov 15, 1942 to Mar 31, 1943.]	Apr 1 - Jul 31, 1943	39033/1	934	168
Ia, Anlagenbände A-H z. KTB 11. Reports, orders, directives, announcements, messages, and overlays.	Mar 31 - Jul 31, 1943	39033/2- 39033/9	934- 936	306, 345

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 12. Defense of the area south of Izyum and withdrawal. Also, reports relating to Operations "Kornernte" (clearing of the enemy from the breakthrough sector in the Shevchenko-Kolesovo area) and "Sonnenblumenernte" (withdrawal to the area east of Lozovaya). The division was subordinate to the XL. and LVII. Pz.K., under the command of Gen.Lt. Arthur Hauffe until Aug 20, 1943, and Gen.Maj. Kurt Röpke thereafter.	Aug 1 - Sep 15, 1943	39033/11	936	660
Ia, Anlagenband A z. KTB 12. Tables of organization, directives, orders, reports, and overlays.	Aug 1 - 15, 1943	39033/12	936	774
Ia, Anlagenbände B-D z. KTB 12. Reports, orders, directives, announcements, and overlays.	Aug 16 - Sep 15, 1943	39033/13-15	937	1
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Division and enemy operations during the withdrawal to Izyum via Aleksandriskaya, Terek, Kizlyar, Grozny, Mozdok, Armavir, and Rostov; enemy unit identification and losses of men and equipment; counterintelligence activities and troop entertainment. Also, reports on division operations during the following periods: Nov 19, 1942 - Jan 4, 1943, defensive action in the Caucasus; Jan 5 - Feb 11, 1943, withdrawal to the lower Kuban sector; Feb 12 - 25, 1943, defensive battles at the Kuban bridgehead; and Feb 26 - Mar 31, 1943, withdrawal to the Donets River area.	Nov 15, 1942 - Jul 31, 1943	39033/17	937	790
Ic, Anlagenband z. TB, Band 1. Interrogation summaries of Russian deserters and prisoners of war and intercepted enemy radio messages. Also, information on Russian officers supporting the Germans in their campaign in Russia.	Nov 16, 1942 - May 29, 1943	39033/18	2341	1
Ic, Anlagenband z. TB. Reports, orders, interrogation summaries, maps and overlays.	Jun 1 - Aug 1, 1943	39033/19	937	833
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 13. Operations along the Dnieper River Bend between Dnepropetrovsk and Nikopol. Also, reports on Operation "Günther" (offensive to clear the enemy from the breakthrough sector near Kotlyarivka on the Dnieper River). The division was subordinate to the LVII. Pz.K. and the XXX. A.K.	Sep 16 - Dec 31, 1943	42107/1	937	941
Ia, Anlagenbände A-F z. KTB 13. Daily reports and messages, directives, and corps and division orders.	Sep 16 - Dec 31, 1943	42107/2- 42107/7	938- 939	1, 252

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch, Entwurf. Operations during the transfer from Vlasovka to Kherson via Krasnograd, Poltava, Kremenchug, Znamenka, Krivoi Rog, and Nikolaev; the crossing of the Dnieper River at Antonovka; the continuation of the advance to Kerch via Armyansk, Simferopol, and Feodosiya; defensive action in the Kerch Peninsula; and in April the offensive engagement that drove the enemy forces from the Kerch Peninsula. The division was subordinate to AOK 11 and the XLII.A.K.	Nov 9, 1941 - May 18, 1942	77802	939	486