

The 52. Infanterie-Division (2. Welle) was formed from reservists in the summer of 1939. In June 1940 it was in the Marne-Saône Canal area of the western front. In June 1941 the division was transferred from the Dijon-Colmar area to the Lukow-Siedlce area in Poland. On June 22, 1941, it participated in the invasion of Russia in the vicinity of Brest-Litovsk and advanced in the central sector, via Slonim, Baranovichi, Slutsk, Bobruisk, Rogachev, Rechitsa, Gomel, Mglin, Bryansk, and Zhizdra to the area east of Kaluga. From December 1941 to December 1942 the division took part in defensive actions west of Kaluga, when it was transferred to the Bely area and participated in defensive engagements in the Smolensk and Orsha areas, where

it suffered heavy losses, until December 1943. Formation of the 52. Feldausbildungs-Division began on December 20, 1943, in the Baranovichi area from remnants of the 52. Infanterie-Division. Although no records of this division dated later than December 23, 1943, are available, situation maps of Lage Ost and records of OKH, Allgemeines Heeresamt (H 37/160), MR 1315, show that the 52. Feldausbildungs-Division was fully organized in the Glubokoye area by March 1944 and was redesignated as the 52. Sicherungs-Division on April 19, 1944. It took part in position defense in the Baranovichi area until July 1944, withdrawing to Gusev (Gumbinnen) to defend East Prussia.

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3. Division operations during the transfer from the Dôle, Dijon, and Colmar areas to the Biala Podlaska, Międzyrzec, Lukow, and Siedlce areas; invasion of Russia in the Brest-Litovsk and Zhabinka areas, the advance to Rogachev via Kobrin, Slonim, Baranovichi, Slutsk, and Bobruisk, and offensives in the Rogachev area. The division was subordinate to the Höh.Kdo. z.b.V. XXXV and the LIII. A.K., under the command of Gen.Maj. Dr. Lothar Rendulic.	Jun 17 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/1	955	1
Ia, Anlagenband C-1 z. KTB 3, Eingegangene Befehle vorgesetzter Dienststellen, Einzelbefehle, Funk- und Fernsprüche.	Jun 17 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/4	955	313
Ia, Anlagenband C-2 z. KTB 3, Divisions- und Einzelbefehle, Funk- und Fernsprüche.	Jun 17 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/5	955	630
Ia, Anlagenband C-3 z. KTB 3. Operationsakte, Meldungen an die Division, Funk- und Fernsprüche.	Jun 29 - Aug 18, 1941	22372/6	956	1
Ia, Anlagenband C-4 z. KTB 3, Operationsakte, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen, Truppen an Divisionen, Division an Korps.	Jun 24 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/7	956	313
Ia, Anlagenband C-5 z. KTB 3, Operationsakte, Meldungen an vorgesetzte Dienststellen.	Jun 26 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/8	956	386
Ia, Anlagenband C-6 z. KTB 3, Aufzeichnungen während der Kampfhandlungen über Besprechungen, Vorträge, Ferngespräche, Feindnachrichten, mit genauen Zeiten.	Jul 8 - Aug 12, 1941	22372/9	956	426

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Ia, Anlagenband D z. KTB 3, Gefechts- und Erfahrungsberichte.	Jul 10 - Aug 23, 1941	22372/10	956	481
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil III. Division and enemy operations and enemy personnel losses.	Jun 20 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/15	956	577
Ic, Anlagenband z. TB, Teil III. Intelligence reports and interrogation summaries.	Jun 20 - Aug 19, 1941	22372/16	956	591
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4. Offensive operations in the Rechitsa, Gomel, Klinty, Mglin, Bryansk, Zhizdra, Kaluga, Aleksin, and Tarussa areas and defensive action along the Oka River in November and December. The division was subordinate to the LIII., XXI., XLIII., and XIII. A.K., successively.	Aug 20 - Dec 15, 1941	22372/17	956	728
Ia, Anlagenband C-1 z. KTB 4, Eingegangene Befehle vorgesetzter Dienststellen, Einzelbefehle, Funk- und Ferngespräche.	Aug 20 - Dec 15, 1941	22372/20	956	1039
Ia, Anlagenband C-2 z. KTB 4, Divisionsbefehle, Einzelbefehle, Funk- und Fernsprüche.	Aug 19 - Dec 14, 1941	22372/21	956	1317
Ia, Anlagenband C-3 z. KTB 4, Meldungen an die Division, Funk- und Fernsprüche.	Aug 23 - Dec 10, 1941	22372/22	957	1
Ia, Anlagenband C-4 z. KTB 4, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen.	Aug 20 - Dec 15, 1941	22372/23	957	226
Ia, Anlagenband C-5 z. KTB 4, Meldungen an vorgesetzte Dienststellen.	Aug 27 - Dec 12, 1941	22372/24	957	476
Ic, Anlagenband C-6 z. KTB 4, Aufzeichnungen während der Kampfhandlungen über Besprechungen, Vorträge, Feindnachrichten.	Sep 13 - Dec 1, 1941	22372/25	957	532
Ia, Anlagenband C-7 z. KTB 4, Organisationsakte, Divisionsbefehle für die Umgliederung der 52. Infanterie-Division.	Oct 20 - Nov 1, 1941	22372/26	957	548
Ia, Anlagenband D z. KTB 4, Gefechts- und Erfahrungsberichte, besondere Vorkommnisse.	Aug 21 - Nov 24, 1941	22372/27	957	561

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. Defensive operations along the Oka River and in the area west of Kaluga, and offensives during the first half of February in the Yukhnov area. The division was subordinate to the XIII. and LVII. A.K.	Dec 16, 1941 - Feb 18, 1942	24234/1	957	624
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5, Kriegsgliederungen, Operationsakten, Gefechtsberichte, Kriegsrang- u. Verlustliste, Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstärken.	Dec 16, 1941 - Feb 18, 1942	24234/2	958	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 6. Defensive operations in the Yukhnov, Mosalsk, and Sukhinichi areas. The division was subordinate to the LVII., XIII., and XII., A.K. LVI. Pz.K., Pz.AOK 2, and the XLVII. Pz.K., successively.	Feb 19 - Jul 30, 1942	24234/4	958	331
Ia, Anlagenband B z. KTB 6, Operationsakten.	Feb 18 - Jul 29, 1942	24234/6	958	601
Ia, Anlagenband C z. KTB 6, Morgen-, Zwischen- und Tagesmeldungen, Truppe-Division, Division-Korps.	Feb 17 - Jul 31, 1942	24234/7	958	973
Ia, Kriegstagebuch "Kampfgruppe Süd", Beilage z. KTB 6. Defensive operations of Kampfgruppe Süd in the Ressa and Ugra Rivers area. Kampfgruppe Süd was formed by order of the XII. A.K. on May 8, 1942, and comprised the 52., 260., and 263. Infanterie-Divisionen under the command of Gen.Lt. Dr. Lothar Rendulic.	May 8 - Jun 14, 1942	24234/8	959	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 7. Defensive operations in the Bolkhov and Zhizdra areas and partisan warfare in the Bryansk area. The division was subordinate to the XLI. Pz.K. and the LIII. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Dr. Lothar Rendulic until Dec 1, 1942, and Gen.Maj. Rudolf Peschel thereafter.	Jul 31 - Dec 5, 1942	27069/1	959	189
Ia, Anlagenband B z. KTB 7, Kriegsgliederungen, Operationsakten, Verluste-Ersatz, Kriegsrangliste.	Jul 14 - Nov 19, 1942	27069/3	959	524
Ia, Anlagenband C z. KTB 7, Tagesmeldungen.	Aug 1 - Dec 6, 1942	27069/4	959	656
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 2 mit Anlagen. Intelligence bulletins and reports, interrogation summaries, and maps pertaining to division and enemy operations; enemy unit identification, losses of men and equipment, the tactical disposition, and antipartisan warfare. Also, reports concerning the shooting of Jews and guerrillas.	Aug 20 - Sep 30, 1941	27069/5	959	1129

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Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 3 mit Anlagen. Intelligence and enemy situation reports, interrogation summaries, and overlays pertaining to division and enemy operations; enemy unit identification, personnel losses, and the tactical situation; and antipartisan warfare.	Oct 4 - Dec 15, 1941	27069/6	959	1226
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 4 mit Anlagen. Intelligence reports and interrogation summaries, intercepted enemy radio messages, and maps and overlays pertaining to enemy and division operations; enemy unit identification, losses of men and equipment, the tactical situation; and antipartisan warfare.	Dec 16, 1941 - Feb 18, 1942	27069/7	960	1
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 5 mit Anlagen. Intelligence reports, interrogation summaries, intercepted enemy radio messages, and maps pertaining to enemy and division operations; enemy unit identification, personnel losses, the tactical situation; and antipartisan warfare.	Feb 19 - Jun 13, 1942	27069/8	2343	1
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 6 mit Anlagen. Intelligence bulletins and reports, interrogation summaries, and maps pertaining to division and enemy operations; enemy unit identification, personnel losses, and the tactical situation; and antipartisan warfare. Also, a German translation of a Red Army soldier's diary, May 22 - Jun 18, 1942.	Jun 14 - Jul 30, 1942	27069/9	960	248
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 7 mit Anlagen. Intelligence bulletins and reports, interrogation summaries, and maps and overlays pertaining to division and enemy operations; enemy unit identification, personnel losses, and the tactical situation; and antipartisan warfare.	Jul 31 - Dec 5, 1942	27069/10	2343	393
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 8 mit Anlagen. Transfer of the division from the Bolkhov area to Bely via Roslavl, Smolensk, Dorogobuzh, and Sychevka and defensive action in the Sychevka and Bely areas. Also, orders relating to reorganization, march and transport movements, combat missions, and conduct of battle of the division. Also, afteraction reports. The division was subordinate to the XLI. Pz.K.	Dec 6, 1942 - Mar 15, 1943	29029/1	960	375
Ia, Anlagenband 1 z. KTB 8, Meldungen: Truppe an Division, Division an Korps.	Dec 16, 1942 - Mar 14, 1943	29029/2	960	608

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Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 9 mit Anlagen. Intelligence bulletins and reports, interrogation summaries, charts, and overlays pertaining to division and enemy operations; enemy unit identification, losses of men and equipment, and the tactical situation.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	34537	960	901
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 9. Defensive operations in the Dukhovshchina, Demidov, and Yartsevo areas north of Smolensk. The division was subordinate to the XLI. Pz.K., and the XXIII. and XXVII. A.K., successively.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/1	960	1231
Ia, Anlagenband A z. KTB 9, Kriegsgliederungen, Zustandsberichte.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/2	960	1325
Ia, Anlagenband D z. KTB 9, Gefechtsberichte.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/5	960	1353
Ia, Anlagenbände F und G z. KTB 9, Kriegsrank- und Verlustlisten.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/7	961	1
Ia, Anlagenband H z. KTB 9, Umgliederung der Division, Auflösung Grenadierregiment 205, Aufstellung Div. Füsilierbataillon 52.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/8	961	23
Ia, Anlagenband J z. KTB 9, Führermeldungen.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/9	961	64
Ia, Anlagenband K z. KTB 9, Tages- und Morgenmeldungen.	Mar 16 - Aug 5, 1943	36440/10	961	88
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 10. Defensive engagements in the Dukhovshchina, Yartsevo, Pochinok, Gorki, and Orsha areas, construction of the Bären positions in the Orsha and Mogilev areas and the Biber positions in the Borisov area, assignment of the division commander as Kampfkommandant of Orsha, Oct 31, 1943, transfer of the division staff to Minsk, Dec 5, 1943, and formation of the 52. Feldausbildungs-Division in the Baranovichi area, Dec 20, 1943, from remnants of the 52. Inf.Div. The division was subordinate to the XXVII. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Rudolf Peschel, Nov 11, 1943.	Aug 6 - Dec 20, 1943	45481/1	961	554
Ia, Anlagenband A z. KTB 10, Zustandsberichte, Kriegsgliederungen, Führermeldungen.	Sep 1 - Oct 7, 1943	45481/2	961	613
Ia, Anlagenband C z. KTB 10, Operationsakten.	Aug 7 - Dec 4, 1943	45481/4	961	637

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Ia, Anlagenband E z. KTB 10, Tages- und Morgenmeldungen.	Aug 6 - Sep 25, 1943	45481/6	961	935
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Teil 10 mit Anlagen. Intelligence bulletins and reports, interrogation summaries, and maps and overlays pertaining to division and enemy operations in the Smolensk and Orsha areas; unit identification, losses of men and equipment, the tactical situation, and German propaganda. Also, German translations of Soviet army orders.	Aug 6 - Dec 23, 1943	45688	961	732
Ia, Ic, Gefechtsbericht vom 15. Juni 1940. Afteraction report concerning division and enemy operations along the Marne-Saône Canal in the St.Dizier area. The division was subordinate to the III. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Jürgen von Arnim, Sep 12, 1939 - Oct 5, 1940.	Dec 7, 1940	77121/1	961	1079
Ic, Anlagen z. KTB 7, Gefangenenvernehmungen.	Sep 2 - 20, 1942	77121/2	961	1101