

The 75. Infanterie-Division (2. Welle) was formed from reservists in Schwerin, Wehrkreis II, on August 25, 1939. In September 1939 it was transferred to the Truppenübungsplatz Baumholder for training and later that year to the Saarbrücken area for border security along the Saar River. In May and June 1940 the division participated in the western campaign with frontal attacks against the Maginot Line, advancing south to the Besancon area after the breakthrough of the Line. After cessation of hostilities part of the division marched to Saarbrücken and part to Bruchsal for entraining and movement to southern Poland in the Lublin and Zamosc areas for training and preparation for Operation "Barbarossa" (invasion of Russia). On June 22, 1941, it took part in this invasion in the southern sector by crossing the Bug River and advancing to

Sokal, Dubno, and Berdichev, and participated in the encirclement of Kiev, after which it advanced northeast to Romny, Sumy, Belgorod, and Voronezh. In September 1942 the division took Voronezh and in October of the same year it withdrew west toward Sumy for its defense until the summer of 1943 and then to the Dnieper River in the Kiev area. Although there are no records of the division available dated later than December 31, 1943, the situation maps of Lage Ost and Heeresgruppe Mitte show that the division was in the Vasilkov area south of Kiev in January 1944, withdrawing to Berdichev in March, Proskurov in May, Stanislav in July, and Borislav in August 1944. It had withdrawn to the vicinity of Cracow by early January 1945 and to the Ostrava area in northeastern Moravia in late April 1945.

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Ic, Kriegstagebuch. Enemy activities along the French-German border in the Saar area between Gross-Blittersdorf and Brandenbusch, combat activities along the Maginot Line, enemy air activities, and information on prisoners of war.	Feb 1 - May 31, 1940	W 545a	1069	1
Ic, Anlagen z. KTB. Corps and division intelligence reports, reconnaissance reports of subordinate units, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war, and maps and overlays.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1940	W 545b-e	1069	145
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1. Formation of the division on Aug 25, 1939; transfer in September to Bad Münster via Göttingen, Frankfurt am Main, and Idar-Oberstein for training at the Truppenübungsplatz Baumholder; movement to the French border in the Saar area between Gross-Blittersdorf and Brandenbusch. A list of officers' duty assignments. The division was subordinate to AOK 1 and the XII. A.K. during this period, under the command of Gen.Maj. Ernst Hammer.	Aug 25 - Dec 31, 1939	W 546a*	1069	1371
Ia, Ic, Ib, Anlagen z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders and reports, training orders and directives, area photographs, order of battle charts, casualty lists, and maps and overlays. Intelligence reports, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war, and reports on captured equipment; and reports of the Supply Branch.	Aug 25, 1939 - Jan 27, 1940	W 546b	1070	1

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 1, Fernmündliche Meldungen.	Sep 19, 1939 - Jan 4, 1940	W 546c-d	1070	287
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 1, Schriftliche Meldungen (Morgen- und Tagesmeldungen).	Sep 16 - Dec 31, 1939	W 546e- W 546g	1070- 1071	898, 183
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1/40. War journal concerning "Planspiel Fackel" (map exercise in preparation for the invasion of France), the frontal attack on the Maginot Line along the Saar River, offensives after the breakthrough of the Maginot Line to Autrey in the area between Dijon and Besancon, and the march of part of the division to Saarbrücken and part to Bruchsal for entraining and movement to the Lublin and Zamosc areas of southern Poland between Jul 9 and 15, 1940. The division was subordinate to the XII. A.K. during this period.	Jan 1 - Jul 16, 1940	W 2881*	1071	413
Ia, Ic, IIa, Anlagenbände 1-8 z. KTB 1/40. Division orders and reports, messages and reports from subordinate units, and maps and overlays. Intelligence and reconnaissance reports and summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war, and casualty reports of the Personnel Branch.	Jan 1 - Jul 16, 1940	W 2881a- W 2881h	1071 1073	529, 483
Ia, Anlage 4 z. Gefechtsbericht. Orders, reports, and directives concerning preparations for the breakthrough of the Maginot Line.	Jun 6 - 13, 1940	W 2881n	1073	626
Ia, Anlagen 16-19 z. Gefechtsbericht. Report and orders.	Jun 17 - 22, 1940	W 2881o	1073	658
Ia, Anlagenband z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders and reports from the 52. Inf. Div. concerning area of defense and fortified positions in the Saar.	Oct 23 - Nov 2, 1939	8569	1073	684
Ia, Anlagenband z. KTB 1, Bodenständige Verfügungen. Directive for further construction of defense positions and army, corps, and division orders and reports, including sketches of artillery grouping and communication lines, and maps and overlays.	Oct 9, 1939 - Feb 18, 1940	8569b	1073	718
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 1, Übergabe Akte an die 75. Inf.Div. Reports, overlays, and a sketch from the 52. Inf.Div. concerning defense positions in the Saar.	Oct 4 - Nov 2, 1939	8569c	1073	964

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 1, Abwehrschlacht, Bodenständige Verfügungen. Division orders, artillery fire plans, sketches of telephone communication lines, maps, and overlays.	Jan 10 - Apr 12, 1940	8569e- 8569h	1073- 1074	978, 1
Ia, Tätigkeitsbericht 3, Fortsetzung von Kriegstagebuch 2.* The arrival of the division in southern Poland between Jul 13 and 16, 1940, from France, with billeting in the Zamosc and Lublin areas, and training activities. The division was subordinate to the III. and LV. A.K. during this period.	Jul 16, 1940 - May 14, 1941	11267/1	1074	160
Ia, Anlagen z. TB 3. Corps and division orders, reports, and messages concerning training and border security along the Bug River between Chelm and Tomaszow, and order of battle charts and overlays.	Jul 17, 1940 - May 13, 1941	11267/2-3	1074	216
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte. Reconnaissance of Russian activities along the Polish-Russian border, espionage and sabotage, and troop entertainment.	Jul 1, 1940 - May 14, 1941	11267/4-5	1074	543
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3. Transfer of the division to Krylow on the Bug River in preparation for Operation "Barbarossa" (invasion of Russia); offensives on Jun 22, 1941, across the Bug River, and the advance to Sokal, Dubno, and Berdichev; the encirclement of Kiev; and the advance to Romny, Sumy, and Belgorod. The division was subordinate to the XLVIII., LV., XXIX., LV., and XXIX. A.K., successively, during this period.	May 10 - Dec 31, 1941	15266/1	1074	646
Ia, Anlagenbände 1-4 z. KTB 3, Divisionsbefehle.	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 1941	15266/2- 15266/5	1074- 1075	804, 1
Ia, Anlagenband 7 z. KTB 3, Divisionsbefehle 1-62.	Jan 2 - Dec 27, 1941	15266/8	1075	180
Ia, Anlagenband 8 z. KTB 3, Erfahrungs- und Zustandsberichte.	May 20 - Dec 27, 1941	15266/9	1075	276
Ic, Anlagenbände 9-20 z. KTB 3. Reports and messages.	May 16 - Dec 31, 1941	15266/10- 15266/21	1075- 1077	329, 763
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 3; Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte, Bände 1-12. Reports and messages of the division and subordinate units, daily intelligence activity reports				

* Kriegstagebuch 1/40 is also Kriegstagebuch 2.

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before and during the Russian campaign, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war, intelligence bulletins, and maps and overlays.	Apr 11 - Dec 31, 1941	15266/22- 15266/33	1077- 1080	961, 451
Ic, Anlagen z. TB, Zusammenstellungen über Kiev. Corps and division intelligence reports concerning security of installations in Kiev, intelligence bulletins, and maps and overlays of the Kiev area.	Aug 26 - Sep 20, 1941	15266/34	1080	489
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4. Operations in the area between Belgorod and Kharkov. The division was subordinate to the XXIX. A.K. during this period.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1942	19551/1	1080	527
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Divisionsbefehle.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1942	19551/2-3	1080	596
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Tagesmeldungen.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1942	19551/7	1080	971
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Ein- und ausgehende Meldungen, Kampfkraft. Corps and division orders, reports and messages from subordinate units, and order of battle charts.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1942	19551/8	1080	1141
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Zustandsberichte.	Jan 1 - May 31, 1942	19551/10	1080	1198
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Ein- und ausgehende Funksprüche.	May 15 - 24, 1942	19551/11	1080	1211
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte. Enemy operations in the area between Belgorod and Kharkov, air reconnaissance reports on enemy activities, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war, intelligence bulletins, and maps.	Jan 1 - Apr 30, 1942	19551/12-15	1081	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. Operations in the area between Belgorod and Kharkov, offensives toward Voronezh, the visit of 11 Portuguese officers on Sep 5, 1942, on the Voronezh frontline, and combat activities in the Podgornoye area. The division was subordinate to the XXIX., VIII., and XVII. A.K., and the VII. ung. A.K., H.Gr. B, AOK 2, Korpsgruppe Blümm, and the VII. A.K. during this period.	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1942	24019/1	1081	845
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 5, Divisionsbefehle. Division orders and reports and messages of subordinate units.	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1942	24019/2- 24019/5	1081- 1082	898, 496

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Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht, Bände 1-4 mit Anlagen z. KTB 5. Activity and air reconnaissance reports, intelligence bulletins, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war and deserters, and maps concerning enemy operations in the Belgorod and Voronezh areas; and messages of subordinate units.	Jun 1 - Sep 30, 1942	24019/9- 24019/12	1082- 1083	738, 1
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. The enemy situation, evacuation of the civilian population, Russian and German propaganda, counterintelligence, and troop indoctrination in Voronezh.	Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1942	32007/8	1083	97
Ic, Kriegstagebuch. Transfer of the division from Voronezh to Sumy for recuperation, attitude of the local population, and summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war and deserters.	Feb 23 - Mar 31, 1943	32007/9	1083	106
Ia, Gefechtsbericht über die Abwehrkämpfe im Brückenkopf Woronesh in der Zeit vom 1.10.42 - 14.1.43. Afteraction report concerning operations at the Voronezh bridgehead including a list of daily casualties, and situation maps and overlays of the Voronezh area. The division was subordinate to the VII. A.K. during this period under the command of Gen.Maj. Helmuth Beukemann as of Nov 1, 1942.	Oct 1, 1942 - Jan 14, 1943	33731/1	1083	208
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1. Transfer of the division to Sumy for reorganization and recuperation after operations in the Voronezh area where the division suffered heavy casualties, and defensive operations in the area southeast of Sumy.	Feb 19 - Mar 31, 1943	33731/2	1083	234
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 1. Division orders and reports, messages, order of battle charts, and maps of the Sumy area.	Feb 19 - Mar 30, 1943	33731/4	1083	260
Ia, Kriegstagebuch. Defensive engagements in the area southeast of Sumy.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33731/5	1083	340
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB. Division orders, reports, and messages concerning construction of fortified positions, directive to the town headquarters of Sumy, afteraction and strength reports, order of battle charts, and instructions pertaining to Russian volunteer workers.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33731/6	1083	373
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB, Tagesmeldungen.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33731/7	1083	713

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Ia/Gabo., Tätigkeitsbericht. Instructions and training in wearing gas masks and in decontamination.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33731/9	1083	745
Ia, Tätigkeitsbericht des Pf.O. (Pferdeoffizier). Training of riding and draft horses.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33731/10	1083	755
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte. Attitude of the civilian population and desertion by Russian volunteers, reports pertaining to partisan warfare and propaganda, intelligence bulletins, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war and deserters, and maps of the Sumy area.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33731/12	1083	760
Ia, Gefechtsbericht der Kampfgruppe Beukemann in der Zeit vom 23.1.-18.2.43. Retreat from Voronezh to Sumy and reports on supply, casualties, and loss of equipment, and situation maps.	Jan 23 - Feb 18, 1943	33774	1083	936
Ia, Kriegstagebuch. Operations from Sumy to Khoten and to the Dnieper River in the Kiev area.	Jul 1 - Oct 31, 1943	40777/1	1083	985
Ia, Anlagenbände I-IV z. KTB. Corps and division orders and reports, messages, order of battle charts, maps, and overlays.	Jul 1 - Oct 31, 1943	40777/2-5	1084	1
Ia, Anlagenband VI z. KTB. Corps and division orders and reports concerning Bewegungen "Widder," "Löwe," and "Wintervorbereitungen" (group movements and preparations for winter warfare) with situation maps.	Jul 17 - Aug 7, 1943	40777/7	1084	806
Ia/Gabo., Tätigkeitsberichte. Instructions and training in wearing gas masks and in decontamination.	Jul 1 - Oct 31, 1943	40777/8	1084	916
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte mit Anlagenbände 1-4. Enemy activities and situation in the Sumy and Khoten areas, propaganda, summaries of interrogations of prisoners of war and deserters, maps, and overlays.	Jul 1 - Oct 31, 1943	40777/9- 40777/12	1084, 2349, 1085	942, 1, 101
Ia, Gefechtsbericht. The breakthrough of the Maginot Line and subsequent offensive operations in France from Jun 14 to 22, 1940, with maps and overlays.	Jun 14 - 22, 1940	41602/1	1085	275

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch. Operations in Brovary, northeast of Kiev. The division was subordinate to the VII. A.K., XXIV. Pz.K., SS-Pz.Div. Das Reich, and the VII. A.K., successively, during this period.	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 1943	42631/1	1085	348
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB. Division orders, reports, and messages.	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 1943	42631/2	1085	41*
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB, Gefechtsberichte. Division orders and reports, messages, and afteraction reports of subordinate units, order of battle charts, maps, and overlays.	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 1943	42631/3	1085	744
Ia/Gabo., Tätigkeitsbericht mit Anlagen. Instructions and training in wearing gas masks and in decontamination.	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 1943	42631/5	1085	1060
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Enemy activities and situation, counterintelligence, and propaganda; intercepted enemy radio messages; summaries of interrogation of prisoners of war and deserters; and enemy artillery target maps.	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 1943	42631/6-7	1085	1072