

76. Infanterie-Division (76th Infantry Division)

The 76. Infanterie-Division (2. Welle) was formed from reservists in the summer of 1939 in Berlin, Wehrkreis III. It took part in the western campaign in the latter part of May 1940 with attacks on the Maginot Line, the capture of Verdun, and offensives in the Toul, Nancy, and St. Dizier areas. In July 1940 the division was transferred to the East (no destination given).\* In May and June 1941 the division was in Moldavia for training and preparations for Operation "München" (invasion of Russia from Rumania) and advanced to the Slavyansk-Artemovsk area via Mogilev-Podolski, Uman, Kirovograd, Krasnograd, and Izyum, where it fought in defensive actions in the winter and spring of 1942. In the summer of 1942 the division advanced to and took part in the battle for Stalingrad and was destroyed in January 1943. In March 1943 the division was re-

formed in the Redon, Nantes, and Vannes areas for the defense of the French coast and the submarine base at St. Nazaire. In July 1943 it was transferred to the Savona-Genoa area for the security of northern Italy. Although there are no records of the division available dated later than October 20, 1943, the situation maps of Heeresgruppe Süd show that the division returned to the southern sector of the eastern front for position defense in the Krivoi Rog area from November 1943 to February 1944. It withdrew to Hungary via Balta, Bendery, and Jassy between March and September 1944 where it remained until January 1945. The division was in the Lucenec area of southern Slovakia in late January and at Uherske Hradiste, Czechoslovakia, on April 26, 1945.

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Ia, Anlage C, Band I z. KTB. Corps and division orders and maps pertaining to operations during the invasion of France near Arlon; attacks on the Maginot Line in the Sedan, Vouziers, and Verdun areas; the capture of Verdun on Jun 15; offensives in the Toul, Nancy, and St. Dizier areas; and the transfer from the Nancy area to the East in July. The division was subordinate to the XXIII., VII., and XXXVI. A.K., successively, under the command of Gen. Lt. Maximilian de Angelis, Sep 1, 1939 - Jan 26, 1942.	May 29 - Jul 1, 1940	W 3554f	1086	1
Ia, Anlage C, Band II z. KTB, Abtransport nach Osten. Corps and division orders relating to march movements to and entraining at Forbach, Saarbrücken, Völklingen, Geislauntern, and St. Wendel for transfer to the East.	Jul 1 - 11, 1940	W 3554g	1086	272
Ia, Anlage D z. KTB, Gefechts- und Erfahrungsberichte, 5.6.-25.6.40.	Jun 20 - Aug 5, 1940	W 3554h**	1086	335
Ia, Anlage I z. KTB. Division orders.	Jun 1 - Jul 7, 1940	W 3554m**	1086	472
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 2, Band 1. Assembly and training in Moldavia; preparation for Operation "München" (invasion of Russia from Rumania); the crossing of the Prut River in the Beltsy area on July 2 and the Dniester River at Mogilev-Podolski;				

\* The National Archives did not have documents for the period July 12, 1940 to May 28, 1941.

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and offensives in the Uman, Kirovograd, and Aleksandriya areas. The division was subordinate to Ob.Kdo. d. Tr. d. deutschen Heeres in Rumänien and to the XI., LII., IV., and XLIV. A.K., successively.	May 25 - Aug 28, 1941	17161/1	1086	492
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 2, Band 2. Crossing the Dnieper River near Mishurin Rog and offensives in the Vorskla River and Orel River sectors and in the Krasnograd, Izyum, Slavyansk, Kramatorsk, and Artemovsk areas.	Aug 29 - Dec 12, 1941	17161/2	1086	1057
Ia, Anlage A, Band I z. KTB 2. Orders and directives relating to preparations for the invasion of Russia by German units in Rumania.	May 23 - Jun 22, 1941	17161/6	1087	1
Ia, Anlage A, Band II z. KTB 2. Division orders, reports, radio messages, and order of battle charts.	Jun 22 - Jul 28, 1941	17161/7	1087	485
Ia, Anlage A, Band III z. KTB 2. Division orders, combat instructions, casualty and combat progress reports, radio messages, and overlays.	Jul 29 - Dec 12, 1941	17161/8	1088	1
Ia, Anlage C z. KTB 2. Afteraction reports and overlays.	Jun 22 - Dec 3, 1941	17161/9	1088	552
Ia, Anlage E z. KTB 2. Casualty reports.	Jun 22 - Dec 15, 1941	17161/13	1088	835
Ia, Anlage G z. KTB 2. Division orders, correspondence relating to the advance of the division on the eastern front, maps, and overlays.	Jun 21 - Nov 1941	17161/15	1088	985
Ic, Meldungen an XI. A.K., 22.7.-6.9.41, LII. A.K., 7.9.-4.10.41, Gruppe v. Schwedler, 5.10.-27.11.41, XLIV. A.K., 28.11.-21.12.41. Intelligence reports concerning enemy operations, unit identification, and tactical situation.	Jul 22 - Dec 21, 1941	17161/16-19	1088	1042
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3, Band 1. Operations in the Artemovsk-Rubezhnoe area and in the Aidar River sector. The division was subordinate to the XLIV. A.K. and the VI. A.K. (Gruppe v. Schwedler), under the command of Gen.Maj. Karl Rodenburg from Jan 26, 1942, until his capture at Stalingrad.	Dec 13, 1941 - Jul 6, 1942	24936/1-2	1089	1
Ia, Anlage a1 z. KTB 3. Division orders pertaining to offensive actions and security of positions, reorganization orders, directives for improvement of winter warfare, and maps.	Dec 12, 1941 - Mar 31, 1942	24936/3	1089	946

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Ia, Anlage a2 z. KTB 3. Division orders pertaining to training for defensive operations, directives for reorganization and replacement of personnel and equipment, correspondence on the employment of Russian volunteers, order of battle charts, casualty reports, and overlays.	Apr 2 - Jul 6, 1942	24936/4	1090	1
Ia, Anlage c z. KTB 3. Afteraction reports of various units on the eastern front.	Jan 13 - Jul 3, 1942	24936/6	1090	381
Ia, Anlage e z. KTB 3. Casualty reports.	Dec 13, 1941 - May 31, 1942	24936/8	1090	697
Ia, Anlage f z. KTB 3, Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstärken.	Jan 31 - Mar 1, 1942	24936/9	1090	864
Ia, Anlage g z. KTB 3. Daily orders, afteraction reports, and commendation letters for combat actions.	Dec 20, 1941 - Jul 7, 1942	24936/10	1090	881
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4. Offensives and advance to west of Stalingrad via Millerovo, Krivorozhe, Surovilino, and Kalach-na-Donu. The division was subordinate to the XLIV. A.K. and the VI. A.K. (Gruppe v. Schwedler).	Jul 7 - Sep 30, 1942	24936/13	1090	968
Ia, Anlage al z. KTB 4. Division orders, radio messages, order of battle charts, and rosters of officers' duty assignments.	Jul 7 - Aug 17, 1942	24936/14	1091	1
Ia, Anlage a2 z. KTB 4. Division orders, operations and afteraction reports, radio messages, and overlays.	Aug 17 - Sep 30, 1942	24936/15	1091	318
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Tagesmeldungen.	Jul 7 - Sep 30, 1942	24936/17	1091	683
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1. Re-forming of the division in March 1943, in France, after it was destroyed at Stalingrad; defense of the French coast and the submarine base at St.Nazaire and training in the Redon, Nantes, and Vannes areas; relief from coastal defense; and Operation "Aufbruch" (execution of march movements by the division in the Vannes, Rennes, Montfort, and Redon areas). The division was subordinate to the XXV. A.K. and AOK 7 under the command of Gen.Lt. Erich Abraham, Apr 1, 1943 - Sep 5, 1944.	Mar 16 - Jun 30, 1943	33146/1	1091	734

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Ia, Anlagenband 1 z. KTB 1. Division orders, training instructions, operation reports, and radio messages.	Feb 13 - Jun 30, 1943	33146/2	1091	788
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte. Monthly activity reports and intelligence reports concerning enemy acts of sabotage and sedition; counterintelligence activity, defense against enemy airborne troops, control of the civilian population, and troop indoctrination and entertainment. Intelligence bulletins pertaining to the enemy military situation, unit strength, naval craft, and order of battle.	Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943	33146/4	1091	1247
Ia, Erlebnis- und Gefechtsberichte und Bildmaterial. Kampf und Sieg der 76. Infanterie-Division in the Winterschlacht am Donez, 17.1.-5.3.1942.	Apr 11, 1941 - Jul 27, 1943	37824/1	1092	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch. The division's participation in the battle for Stalingrad until the city's loss in the latter part of Jan 1943. The battle officially ended on Feb 3, 1943. /The original war journal and its allied papers were lost in the campaign and a new journal was constructed from memoranda and sketches by AOK 6 and the VIII. A.K., to which the division was subordinate./	Oct 1, 1942 - Jan 23, 1943	40128/1	1092	226
Ia, Anlagen 1-61 z. KTB. Orders for winter warfare for the year 1942-43, after-action and casualty reports covering the battle at Stalingrad and other defensive operations.	Oct 1, 1942 - Jan 23, 1943	40128/2	1092	305
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 2. Training and security activities in the Redon, Vannes, and Nantes areas and transfer in July and August to the Savona and Genoa areas for the security of northern Italy and the Ligurian coast. The division was subordinate to the XXV., XV., and LXXXVII. A.K., successively.	Jul 1 - Oct 19, 1943	40728/1	1092	561
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 2. Division orders, correspondence, directives, and instructions relating to the surrender of Italian troops to the Allies, disarming of Italian units by the Germans, security of coastal areas, and preparations for defense against Allied airborne landings in Italy; order of battle charts; and maps and overlays.	Jul 1 - Sep 21, 1943	40728/2	1092	725
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 2. Orders, training instructions, radio messages, and directives relating to the treatment of disarmed Italian troops.	Sep 10 - Oct 20, 1943	40728/3	1093	1

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Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Activity reports, with intelligence reports, directives, charts, and maps pertaining to the enemy military and political situation, the tactical disposition of Italian forces in the Milan area and American forces during their landing at Licata, control of the civilian population, counterintelligence, German propaganda, and troop entertainment.	Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1943	40723/5	1093	312