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<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Chain of Command</u>
1940/12/10	Wehrkreis VI, (12.Welle) Westfalen	Activation, training	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Ernst Dehner, 1940/12/10-1942/11/01 Subordinate to: AK 6, 1940/12/10-1940/12/31; AK 52, 1941/01/01-1941/04/14; AK 47 mot, 1941/04/15-1941/06/03; PzGr 2, 1941/06/03-1941/06/10; AOK 2, 1941/06/10-1941/06/26; AK 42, 1941/06/27-1941/07/18
1941/06/25	Alytus, Lithuania	Transfer, preparation for the eastern campaign	AK 20, 1941/07/19-1941/07/29; AK 5, 1941/07/30-1942/04/20
1941/07/28	Suwalki, Disna, Polotsk, Vitebsk, Demidov, Sloboda	Offensive operations	
1941/08/24	Votrya River sector, Bely, Dukhovshchina, Pochinok	Defensive operations, antitank defense	
1941/10/01	Vyazma, Gzhatsk, Volokolomsk	Offensive operations, encirclement of Vyazma	
1941/11/13	Vysokovsk, Klin, Solnechnogorsk, Krasnaya Polyana	Offensive operations, advance toward Moscow	
1941/12/21	Volokolomsk, Gzhatsk, Vyazma	Defensive engagements, withdrawal	
1942/02/22	Izdeshkovo	Movement, position defense	
1942/04/20	Lille, Saint-Omer, Arques, Calais, Lillers, France	Transfer, rehabilitation, training, coastal defense	AOK 15 and AK 37 Hoeheres Kommando zbV, 1942/04/20-1943/02/15 C.O.: Gen.Maj. Arthur Kullmer, 1942/11/01-1943/01/10; Gen.Lt. Werner Forst, 1943/01/10-1944/02/20
1943/03/05	Krasnograd, Poltava, Russia	Transfer, offensive and defensive operations	Subordinate to: AK 82, 1943/02/15-1943/02/26; PzAOK 4, 1943/02/27-1943/04/08; AK 48 Pz, 1943/04/09-1943/04/28; AK 42, 1943/04/28-1943/05/01;
1943/06/01	Chuguyev, Volchansk, Belgorod, Solomino	Defensive engagements, position defense, assault operations	Gen.Kdo.zbV Rauss, 1943/05/02-1943/06/30

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Although no records of this division dated later than 1943/06/30 are available, situation maps of Heeresgruppe Sued and Sued-Ukraine, and records of OKH/AJA/Abwicklungsstab (H 41/13), T78, roll 140, and OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt. (H 1/38), T78, roll 398 show:			
1943/07/03	Belgorod, Kharkov, Kremenchug, Kirovograd	Defensive operations, withdrawal movements	
1943/10/11	Kremenchug	Absorption of Division Gruppe 39.ID	
1944/04/13	Moldavia	Defensive engagements	
1944/08/27	Husi	Encircled	C.O.: Obst. Carl Ringenberg, 1944/08/13-1944/09/01 (became Russian prisoner of war)
1944/10/22		Disbanded	
1945/03/10	Baden-Baden	Re-formation (33. Welle) from redesignated 708.VCrD	

Records of the 106.ID are reproduced on rolls 1245-1251 of Microfilm Publication T315 as described on the pages immediately following.

Manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series, prepared by former German officers for the Historical Division, Headquarters United States Army, Europe, between 1945 and 1959, contain references to the 106.ID as follows:

Belgorod, Aug 1943 MS # P-060g, Part II ("Small Unit Tactics - Unusual Situations")

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Ia, Ic, TB 1. Activity report of the Operations Branch concerning the activation of the division on 10 Dec 1940 (12. Welle) in Wehrkreis VI, and its formation, equipping, and training in Westfalen; order-of-battle charts, and maps showing the location of billeting areas and the tactical disposition during command post exercise in the area between Muenchen-Gladbach and Duesseldorf, 20-21 May 1941. Activity report of the Intelligence Branch, 16 Feb-31 May 1941, pertaining to training, counterintelligence activity, and troop entertainment and indoctrination.	1940/12/10-1941/05/24	106.ID 10980/1	1245	1
Ia, KTB 1, Band I mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. War journal pertaining to operations during training in Wehrkreis VI; transfer to Alytus, Lithuania, 25 Jun-1 Jul 1941; movements to Sloboda, 28 Jul 1941, via Suwalki, Disna, Polotsk, Vitebsk, and Demidov; relief of the 20.Pz.D., 29 Jul; and offensive engagements between Dukhovshchina and Bely; daily reports and orders pertaining to detraining, assembly, movements, offensive engagements, status, and order of battle. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 25 May-31 Jul 1941, with casualty reports and a register of officers.	1941/04/25-1941/08/04	106.ID 26470/1	1245	75
Ia, KTB 1, Band II mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Defensive operations in the Votrya River sector, between Bely and Dukhovshchina; an afteraction critique concerning the combating of Russian tanks at Zhidki; reports on the military situation on all fronts; order-of-battle charts; and intelligence reports regarding enemy operations, weapons, unit identification, troop morale and fighting qualities. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 1-15 Aug 1941, with casualty reports.	1941/08/05-1941/08/23	106.ID 26470/2	1245	399

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Ia, KTB 1, Band III mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Defensive operations in the Votrya River sector between Bely and Dukhovshchina; relief of units; construction of Heinrichstellungen; activity of artillery and antitank units; order of battle; signal communications; tactical dispositions; and casualty, status, and afteraction reports. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 16 Aug-15 Sep 1941; special supply directives; and maps showing the tactical disposition of enemy units and the location of their gun positions.	1941/08/24-1941/09/30	106.ID 26470/3	1245	819
Ia, KTB 1, Band IV mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Offensive engagements in the Vyazma, Gzhatsk, and Volokolomsk areas; closing of the encirclement at Vyazma; mission, status, and boundaries of the division; enemy operations, movements, losses, and unit identification. An afteraction critique relating to the use of Kiev as a bastion for further offensive operations; and an activity report of the Personnel Branch, 16 Sep-31 Oct 1941, with casualty and combat strength reports.	1941/10/01-1941/11/12	106.ID 26470/4	1246	1
Ia, KTB 1, Band V mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Offensive engagements during the advance toward Moscow via Vysokovsk, Klin, Solnechnogorsk, and Krasnaya Polyana and withdrawal in mid-December to Volokolomsk; data on road conditions in the Moscow area and on the Moscow Canal; casualty and afteraction reports; special directives concerning signal communications, reconnaissance, and the assignment of engineers; order-of-battle charts; reports on evacuation of the civilian population and Allied lend-lease deliveries; translations of Russian documents; and information on enemy operations, unit identification, and tactical situation. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 1 Nov-15 Dec 1941.	1941/11/13-1941/12/20	106.ID 26470/5	1246	557
Ia, KTB 1, Band VI mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Defensive	1941/12/21-1942/02/21	106.ID 26470/6	1247	1

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engagements during withdrawal from Volokolomsk to Izdeshkovo via the Gzhatsk and Vyazma areas; order of battle, combat strength, mission, and boundaries of the division; road maintenance, security of rear areas, and combating of partisans; enemy operations, unit identification and strength, and counterintelligence activity; and casualty and afteraction reports. Activity reports of the Personnel Branch, 16 Dec 1941-15 Feb 1942.				
Ia, KTB 1, Band VII mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Position defense in the Izdeshkovo area and the transfer of the division, 20 Apr-2 May 1942, to Lille, Saint-Omer, Arques, Lumbres, Calais, and Lillers in France for rehabilitation; order of battle, status, mission, combat strength, and boundaries of the division; casualty and afteraction reports; special directives concerning the rehabilitation of the division; translations of captured Russian documents; and information on enemy operations, unit identification, and losses. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 16 Feb-15 Apr 1942.	1942/02/22-1942/04/25	106.ID 26470/7	1247	609
Ia, KTB 1, Band VIII mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Transfer of the division to France for rehabilitation, reequipping, training, coastal defense, and the relief of the 321.ID and 340.ID in the Gravelines, Calais, and Boulogne-sur-Mer areas; an afteraction critique issued by OKH, 21 Jun 1942, relating to the Soviet breakthrough of the Parpach positions; unit status and operational readiness; order-of-battle charts; a billeting survey; special supply directives; and the relief of the 106.ID in February 1943 by the 156.ResD. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 16 Apr 1942-15 Feb 1943.	1942/04/26-1943/02/15	106.ID 26470/8	1248	1
Ia, KTB 2, Band I mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Training and coastal defense along the English Channel; transfer	1943/02/15-1943/03/18	106.ID 31639/1	1248	500

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from Calais and Boulogne-sur-Mer to Poltava on the eastern front; assembly in the Krasnograd area, 5 Mar 1943; advance to the Udy River sector south of Kharkov via Merefa. Billeting survey; afteraction critiques; information on enemy operations, unit identification, and weapons; and an activity report of the Personnel Branch, 15 Feb-15 Mar 1943.				
Ia, KTB 2, Band II mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Defensive engagements in the Chuguyev area; mopping-up operations; construction of defensive positions; use of native auxiliary forces; evacuation of the civilian population from the combat zone; casualty, combat and ration strength, status, and afteraction reports; and regrouping. Interrogation summaries and intelligence bulletins pertaining to enemy operations, losses, unit identification, acts of sabotage, partisan warfare, war industry, and new insignia of rank of the Soviet Army. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 15-31 Mar 1943.	1943/03/19-1943/04/05	106.ID 31639/2	1249	1
Ia, KTB 2, Band III mit Anlagen, Ic, IIa, TB. Defensive engagements in the Donets River sector, relief of the division by the 161.ID, 24 Apr 1943, movement to the area west of Volchansk, assault troop operations, security of rear areas, evacuation of the civilian population from the combat zone, and training. Activity report of the Personnel Branch, 1-15 Apr 1943, with lists of promotions, and combat and ration strength reports; and an activity report of the Intelligence Branch, 1 Mar-15 Apr 1943, with intelligence reports and bulletins concerning enemy operations, losses, weapons, and unit identification.	1943/04/06-1943/04/28	106.ID 31639/3	1249	528
Ia, KTB 2, Band IV mit Anlagen, Ic, IIa, TB mit Anlagen. Position defense south of Belgorod; status, strength, order of battle, and reorganization of the division, and battle conduct for artillery units; and	1943/04/29-1943/05/31	106.ID 31639/4	1250	1

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special directives on traffic control and the crossing of the Donets River, and antiaircraft defense. Activity reports of the Personnel and Intelligence Branches, 16 Apr-15 May 1943, with Soviet propaganda leaflets and a report on German losses at Stalingrad including photographs of 24 captured German generals identified by name and unit.	1943/06/01-1943/06/30	106.ID 38357	1250	511
Ia, KTB 2, Band V mit Anlagen, Ic, IIa, TB. Position defense south of Belgorod and west of Volchansk. Activity reports of the Personnel and Intelligence Branches, 16 May-30 Jun 1943, with intelligence reports and bulletins, interrogation summaries, and an afteraction report concerning enemy assault operations during the night of 22-23 Jun 1943 north of Solomino.	1943/02/11-1943/08/25	106.ID 77820/2	1251	1
Ia, Abwehrbefehle. Orders relating to the defense of the Donets River sector. A map showing the tactical disposition of division units and strength reports of 1 Apr, 1 May, and 25 Aug 1943.	1941/06/12-1941/06/25	106.ID 77820/4	1251	127
Ia, Abtransport der Division. Orders and reports concerning the transfer of the division from Cologne to Alytus, Lithuania in June 1941. A strength report, 19 Jun 1941, and tables showing personnel breakdown of the division staff.	1941/07/26-1941/09/21	106.ID 77820/5	1251	163
Ia, KTB mit Anlagen. Correspondence and reports concerning the recognition of special performance by the division in the encirclement battle at Smolensk, 25 Jul-6 Aug 1941, and an afteraction report on the tank battle at Pochinok-Zhidki, 19-20 Aug 1941.	1941/06/03-1941/09/24	106.ID 77820/9	1251	332
Ia, KTB mit Anlagen, IIa, TB. Afteraction report with a prisoner-of-war interrogation summary giving information on the progress of the tank battle at Pochinok-Zhidki and enemy unit identification. An activity report of the Personnel Branch, 1-15 Sep 1941, with casualty reports of the division and the				

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Festungsstab Blaurock. Ia, KTB, 2. Ausfertigung. War journal for one day and division order No. 39 pertaining to the closing of the gap in the encirclement battle at Vyazma.	1941/10/10	106.ID 77820/11	1251	587