

113. Infanterie-Division - Unit History

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Activity</u> | <u>Chain of Command</u> |
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| 1940/12/10 | Wehrkreis XIII, Nuernberg Grafenwoehr | Activation training | C.O.: Gen.Maj. Ernst Guentzel, 1940/12/10-1941/06/03; Gen.Maj. Friedrich Zickwolff, 1941/06/04-1942/05/10 Subordinate to: AK 13, 1940/12/10-1940/12/31; AK 50, 1941/01/01-1941/03/07; AK 51, 1941/03/08-1941/03/29; AK 55, 1941/03/30-1941/04/25; AOK 11, 1941/04/26-1941/05/19; AOK 2, 1941/05/20-1941/06/23; AK 34, Hoeheres Kommando, 1941/06/24-1941/06/30; AK 51, 1941/07/01-1941/07/18; AK 29, 1941/07/19-1941/07/21; AK 51, 1941/07/22-1941/09/11; AK 17, 1941/09/12-1941/09/24; AK 24, 1941/09/25-1941/09/30; AOK 6, 1941/10/02-1941/10/08; Befh.d.rueckw.H.-Geb. Sued, 1941/10/09-1941/10/19; Wehrm.Bfh.Ukraine, 1941/10/20-1941/10/31; Bev.kom.Gen. in Serbien, 1941/11/01-1942/01/12 |
| 1941/06/23 | Jaroslaw, Przeworsk, Rzeszow, Poland Dubno, Ostrog, Slavuta, Shepetovka, Kiev | Transfer, assembly Offensive operations, movement | |
| 1941/10/01 | Gornostaypol, Oster, Zhitomir, Berdichev, Rankovicevo, Kragujevac, Morava River sector, Yugoslavia | Mopping-up operations, movement, transfer, rehabilitation, training, security, occupation duty | |
| 1942/01/07 | Kremenchug, Odessa | Transfer, defensive operations | AK 11 and AK 6 rum. |
| 1942/01/19 | Dnepropetrovsk, Krivoi Rog, Kirovograd | Defensive operations | |
| 1942/04/01 | Pavlograd | Defensive operations | AK 6 rum, 1942/04/01-1942/05/05 |
| 1942/05/00 | Krasnograd, Merefafa, Kharkov, Volchansk, Valuiki, Rovenki, Kantemirovka, Veshenskaya, Kletskaya, Kalach, Don River | Offensive engagements, advance | HGr. Sued, 1942/05/06-1942/05/12; AK 8, 1942/05/13-1942/06/14; AK 7, 1942/06/15-1942/06/29; AK 40 Pz, 1942/06/30-1942/07/02; AK 17, 1942/07/03-1942/07/08; AK 8, 1942/07/09-1942/07/21; AK 14 Pz, 1942/07/22-1942/07/27; AK 8, 1942/07/28-1942/08/11; AK 17, 1942/08/12-1942/08/15 |
| 1942/11/00 | Stalingrad | Encircled and virtually destroyed | |

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| 1943/02/22 | Stalino | Assembly of stragglers, transfer | |
| 1943/03/23 | Landerneau, Brest, La Roche, France | Re-formation, training, coastal defense | C.O.: Gen.Maj. Friedrich Wilhelm Prueter, 1943/03/15-1943/12/01 Subordinate to: AK 25, 1943/03/23-1943/07/19 |
| 1943/07/20 | Smolensk, Yartsevo, Demidov, Rudnya, Vitebsk, Gorodok, Orsha | Transfer, defensive operations, construction and defense of fortified positions | AK 39 Pz, 1943/07/20-1943/09/08; AK 53, 1943/09/09-1943/09/25; AK 39 Pz, 1943/09/26-1943/10/01; Oberbaustab Richert, 1943/10/02-1943/10/07; PzAOK 3, 1943/10/08-1943/11/08; AK 9, 1943/11/09-1943/11/17; 20.PzD, 1943/11/18-1943/11/22; PzAOK 3, 1943/11/23-1943/12/05 |
| 1943/11/23 | Vitebsk, Polotsk | Regrouping under designation of Gruppe Juergen | |
| 1943/12/05 | | Disbanded | |

Although no records of this division dated later than 1943/12/05 are available, the Potsdam catalog and situation maps of Ob.West, HGr.D, and WFst show:

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| 1943/12/06 | Holland | Transfer, reorganized as the 271.ID |
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| Ia, TB 1. Activation of the division on 10 Dec 1940 (12. Welle) in Nuremberg, Wehrkreis XIII, organization, training, and planned transfer from Grafenwoehr to Jaroslaw, Poland, 23 Jun 1941. The activation staff was subordinate to the 134.ID until 10 Dec 1940. | 1940/12/10-1941/06/16 | 113.ID 11029/1 | 1289 | 1 |
| Ia, Anlagen zum TB 1. Reports, orders, charts, lists, and maps pertaining to the activation, formation, organization, training, and billeting of the division in the Grafenwoehr area. | 1940/12/10-1941/05/06 | 113.ID 11029/2 | 1289 | 27 |
| IIa, TB. Activity reports of the Personnel Branch and lists of officers' duty assignments. | 1940/12/12-1941/06/17 | 113.ID 11218 | 1289 | 310 |
| Ia, KTB 1. Transfer from Grafenwoehr to Jaroslaw and offensive engagements from Dubno to the capture and occupation of Kiev, via the Ostrog, Slavuta, Shepetovka, and Zhitomir areas. Casualty reports and a register of officers. | 1941/06/17-1941/09/30 | 113.ID 14472/1 | 1289 | 476 |
| Ia, Anlagenband I zum KTB 1. Transfer from Grafenwoehr to Jaroslaw, assembly in the Przeworsk and Rzeszow areas, and movement and offensive operations to Malin via Dubno, Ostrog, Slavuta, Shepetovka, and Zhitomir. Special directives concerning battle conduct, supply, treatment of the civilian population, and reconnaissance. | 1941/06/20-1941/07/22 | 113.ID 14472/2 | 1289 | 665 |
| Ia, Anlagenband II zum KTB 1. Establishment of a bridgehead across the Irsha River near Malin, the crossing of the Dnieper River, defense of the area between the Dnieper River and the Desna River, the battle for and occupation of Kiev, and the crossing of the Desna River. | 1941/07/22-1941/09/29 | 113.ID 14472/3 | 1289 | 899 |
| Ic, KTB 1. Transfer from Grafenwoehr to Sedziszow, Poland; and enemy operations, unit identification, movement, and losses. | 1941/06/23-1941/09/27 | 113.ID 14472/4a | 1290 | 1 |
| Ia, KTB 2. Mopping-up operations in the Gornostaypol | 1941/10/01-1942/01/12 | 113.ID 16245/1 | 1290 | 34 |

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| and Oster areas; movements to Zhitomir and Berdichev; transfer to the Rankovicevo and Kragujevac areas of Yugoslavia for rehabilitation, training, and security and occupation duty; and the planned return to Russia on 7 Jan 1942. The 717.ID took over the division sector in Serbia. | | | | |
| Ia, Anlagenband zum KTB 2. Movement from the Zhitomir and Berdichev areas to Yugoslavia, offensive engagements in the Morava River sector, training, and security of war plants. Intelligence reports concerning Russian radio and demolition equipment, counterintelligence activity, and partisan situation in the Morava Valley. | 1941/09/30-1942/01/07 | 113.ID 16245/2 | 1290 | 61 |
| Ia, KTB 3. Departure of the division from Serbia, 7 Jan 1942, planned transfer to Vinnitsa and change in plans due to the threatened Russian breakthrough near Izyum; movement to Kremenchug and transport of non-motorized units to Odessa; movement of entire division to Dnepropetrovsk, 19-29 Jan 1942, and advance to the area north of Pavlograd. A register of officers and casualty reports. | 1942/02/01-1942/03/31 | 113.ID 19326/1 | 1290 | 348 |
| Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 3. Planned movements from Odessa to Perekop; movement to Dnepropetrovsk via Kirovograd and Krivoi Rog; offensive engagements in the Pavlograd, Pavlovka, Orelka, and Lozovaya areas; regrouping; reorganization; and antipartisan operations. Order-of-battle charts, inventory of weapons, and afteraction reports and critique relating to cooperation with Rumanian units. | 1942/01/23-1942/03/31 | 113.ID 19326/2 | 1290 | 406 |
| Ic, TB. Transfer of the division from Zhitomir and Berdichev to the Kragujevac and Rankovicevo (Kraljevo) areas for security duty and antipartisan operations, transfer to Tighina (Bender), 11-19 Jan 1942, and to Dnepropetrovsk, 19-29 Jan 1942, and enemy operations during the advance to the area north of Pavlograd. | 1941/10/01-1942/03/31 | 113.ID 19326/3 | 1290 | 764 |

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| Ia, KTB 4. Defensive engagements in the Pavlograd area during April and offensive operations in May in the Krasnograd, Merefa, and Kharkov areas, and the advance to the Kletskaya area on the Don River via Volchansk, Valuiki, Rovenki, Kantemirovka, and Veshenskaya. | 1942/04/01-1942/08/15 | 113.ID 23366/1 | 1290 | 783 |
| Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 4. Defensive operations in the Pavlograd area, offensive operations in the Merefa and Krasnograd areas, and the advance to Kletskaya on the Don River, antitank defense, and assault troop action. Intelligence reports and bulletins concerning enemy fortification, unit identification, strength, weapons, and tactical situation; special reconnaissance directives; casualty reports; and order-of-battle charts. | 1942/04/02-1942/08/15 | 113.ID 23366/2 | 1291 | 1 |
| Ia, Funksprueche zum KTB 4. Radio messages concerning the tactical situation. | 1942/07/22-1942/08/14 | 113.ID 23366/3 | 1292 | 1 |
| Ic, TB. Activity report concerning enemy operations, unit identification, movements, and losses, and tactical situation in the Volchansk, Valuiki, Rovenki, Kantemirovka, Veshenskaya, Kletskaya, and Kalach areas. | 1942/04/01-1942/08/15 | 113.ID 23366/4 | 1292 | 338 |
| Ic, Erinnerungsbuch der 113.ID. "Unsere Kaempfe und Maersche". An account of battles and victories won, sketches of battle areas of Kharkov and Kiev and the occupation area in Serbia, and division itinerary from Zhitomir to Belgrade. | 1940/12/10-1942/05/20 | 113.ID 31629/1 | 1292 | 361 |
| Ia, KTB 1. Re-formation of the division at Landerneau, France to be completed by 15 Apr 1943; training; occupation duty; and defense of the Brest area; and preparation for transfer to the eastern front, 20 Jul 1943. Lists of decorations awarded, assignments of new personnel, and replacements. | 1943/03/23-1943/07/19 | 113.ID 34017/1 | 1292 | 406 |
| Ia, Anlagen zum KTB. Combat operations in the Don River area; encirclement of the division at | 1942/12/20-1943/07/19 | 113.ID 34017/2 | 1292 | 437 |

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| Stalingrad by the end of November 1942; assembly of part of the division in the Stalino area; transfer to Landerneau, France, in February 1943 for re-formation, training, occupation, security duty, and coastal defense in the Brest area; and relief by the 343.ID. Register of officers, combat and ration strength reports, order-of-battle charts, and a map showing the location of billeting areas in the La Roche and Brest areas. | | | | |
| Ic, TB als Anlage zum KTB 1, Frankreich. Intelligence reports pertaining to enemy air and naval activity and losses; counterintelligence activity; and troop entertainment and indoctrination. | 1943/04/01-1943/07/20 | 113.ID 34017/3 | 1292 | 673 |
| Ia, KTB 2. Transfer of the division from France to Smolensk, 20-30 Jul 1943; defensive engagements in the Smolensk, Yartsevo, Demidov, Rudnya, Vitebsk, and Gorodok areas; the redesignation of the division as Gruppe Juergen, 23 Nov 1943, under the command of Oberst Juergen; and the planned relief of Gruppe Juergen by the 252.ID and Sperrgruppe Eckhardt, 6 Dec 1943. Register of officers and a combat and ration and strength report. | 1943/07/20-1943/12/05 | 113.ID 39400/1 | 1292 | 715 |
| Ic, IIa, TB. Activity report of the Intelligence Branch concerning enemy operations, unit identification and movements, losses, propaganda, and organization; counterintelligence activity; German propaganda; and troop entertainment and indoctrination. Information relating to the transfer of the division to Holland for reorganization; and an activity report of the Personnel Branch pertaining to decorations awarded, promotions granted, personnel changes, and casualties. | 1943/07/21-1943/12/06 | 113.ID 39400/3 | 1293 | 1 |
| Ia, Anlagenheft 1 zum KTB 2. Transfer of the division from Brest, France, to Smolensk, 20-29 Jul 1943; defensive engagements from Smolensk to Vitebsk; and | 1943/07/25-1943/09/25 | 113.ID 39952/1 | 1293 | 41 |

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| the construction, withdrawal to and defense of the Barbarossastellung, Hubertusstellung, and Pantherstellung. An afteraction critique concerning defensive operations in September and order-of-battle charts. | | | | |
| Ia, Anlagenheft 2 zum KTB 2. Construction and defense of the Pantherstellungen and Baerenstellungen in the Orsha, Vitebsk, and Gorodok areas; antipartisan operations; regrouping and reorganization; the establishment of Gruppe Juergen from 113.ID units, 23 Nov 1943, to secure the road from Vitebsk to Polotsk, and its disbandment on 6 Dec 1943. The division's sector was taken over by the 252.ID and Sperrgruppe Eckhardt and the 113.ID staff and subordinate units were withdrawn and transferred from Vitebsk. | 1943/09/25-1943/12/05 | 113.ID 39952/2 | 1293 | 411 |
| Ia, Anlagenheft 3 zum KTB 2. Tagesmeldungen an vorgesetzte Dienststellen. (Information obtained from the Potsdam catalog show that the 113.ID was reorganized as the 271.ID, 6 Dec 1943, although there are no records available for the 271.ID.) | 1943/07/28-1943/12/05 | 113.ID 39952/3 | 1293 | 764 |