

157. GEBIRGS-DIVISION - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1939/00/00	Muenchen, Wehrkreis VII	Formation of Ers.Tr. VII	
1939/09/15	Muenchen	Redesignation as Div.Nr. 157	C.O.: Gen.Lt. zV. Karl Graf, 1939/09/15-1942/09/20 Gen.Lt. Karl Pflaum, 1942/09/20-1944/08/31
1942/09/26	Besancon, France	Transfer, security duty	
1942/10/02	Besancon	Redesignation as 157.ResD, occupation duty	
1943/09/22	Grenoble	Transfer, occupation duty	
1944/07/24	Modane	Movement, defensive engagements, security duty	
1944/09/21	Turin, Italy	Transfer	Gen.Maj. Paul Schricker, 1944/09/01
1944/09/25	Turin	Reorganization as the 157.GebD, defensive engagements	Subordinate to: AK 74
1944/12/24	Bologna	Movement, defensive operations	
1945/02/26	Bologna	Defensive engagements (VII.Btl./157.GebD)	
1945/03/01	Bologna	Probably disbanded	

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Although only one record item of the 157.GebD was available in the National Archives, the Order of Battle of the German Army (Washington, March 1945), the general officer personnel files, and situation maps of Lage West were also used for the unit history.

Manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series, prepared by former German officers for the Historical Division, Headquarters U.S. Army, Europe, between 1945 and 1959, contain references to the 157.GebD as follows:

MS A-946 Southern France (Activities of the 157th Reserve Division from 15 Aug to 1 Sep 1944) and

MS B-237 Western Alps, 1943-1 Sep 1944, by Gen.Lt. Karl Pflaum

MS B-033 French Alps (Report on the employment of the 157th Mountain Division, 8 Sep to 15 Sep 1944) by Gen.d.Inf. Carl Puechler.

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