

332. INFANTERIE-DIVISION - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1940/11/15	Guestrow, Wehrkreis II	Activation (14.Welle), formation, training	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Heinrich Recke, 1940/11/14-1941/08/06 Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo. II, 1940/11/14-1941/04/30
1941/04/27	Mayenne, Laval, Rennes, Angers, France	Transfer, security, training	AK 25, 1941/05/01-1941/06/12
1941/06/11	Le Quesnay, Dives-sur-Mer, Trouville-sur-Mer, Honfleur	Movement, coastal and air defense, occupation duty, training	AK 32 Hoeh.Kdo., 1941/06/13-1942/01/26 C.O.: Gen.Lt. Hans Kessel, 1941/08/06-1942/12/07
1942/01/24	Angers, Laval, Rennes, Le Mans, Pont-l'Eveque	Movement, coastal defense, occupation duty	Subordinate to: AK 25, 1942/01/26-1942/03/23
1942/03/20	Bolbec, Fecamp, Le Havre	Coastal defense, training	AK 32 Hoeh.Kdo. (later AK 81), 1942/03/24-1943/02/16 C.O.: Oberst Meltzer, mFb., 1942/12/07-1943/01/10 Gen.Lt. Hans Schaefer, 1943/01/10-1943/09/25 Subordinate to: AK 81, 1943/02/15-1943/02/22-
1943/02/14	Rouen, Limesy, Cany-Barville, Dieppe, Yvetot	Movement, preparations for transfer to the eastern front	
1943/02/20	Romny, Alenino, Kamyshi, Gadyach, Psel River sector, Russia	Transfer, defensive operations	AOK 2, 1943/02/23-1943/03/05
1943/03/09	Oleshnya, Trostyanets, Tarasovka, Dorogoshch', Pochayevo	Offensive engagements, defensive operations	Korps Rothkirch (AK 3 <u>Pz</u>), 1943/03/05-1943/03/31
1943/03/23	Krasnyy Kutok, Proletarskiy, Chulanovo, Bol'shoy Basov, Terebreno, Pushkarnoye	Offensive engagements, defensive operations	
1943/04/01	Borisovka, Novo-Berezovka, Khotmyzhok, Polyanoye, Graivoron	Defensive operations, rear area security	AK 52, 1943/04/01-1943/07/01
1943/06/27	Russkaya Berezovka, Gertsovka, Cherkasskoye, Dmitriyevka	Preparations for and execution of Unternehmen Zitadelle	AK 48 Pz, 1943/07/01-1943/07/06 AK 52, 1943/07/06-1943/07/12 AK 48 Pz, 1943/07/12-1943/07/15

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1943/07/20	Streletskoye, Butovo, Tomarovka, Borisovka, Gruzskoye	Defensive operations, withdrawal movements	AK 52, 1943/07/15-1943/07/17 AK 48 Pz, 1943/07/17-1943/07/18 AK 52, 1943/07/18-1943/08/03
1943/08/09	Akhtyrka, Bakirovka, Chupakhovka	Assembly for defense	19.PzD (AK 52), 1943/08/03-1943/08/07
1943/08/11 1943/08/12	Mikhaylovka, Psel River sector	Withdrawal and defense, incorporation of remnants into the 255.ID	255.ID (AK 52), 1943/08/08-1943/08/09 AK 52, 1943/08/09-1943/08/11
1943/09/08	Kiev	Incorporation of remnants into the 57. and 112.ID	

Records of the 332.ID are reproduced on rolls 2074-2077 of NARS Microfilm Publication T315 and are described following the unit history.

1943/10/11		Formation of Korpsabteilung B from Divisionsgruppen 332, 255, and 112.ID (source: records of OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt. H 1/38 (T78, roll 398, p. 202))	
1944/02/09	Korsun	Korpsabteilung B was encircled and captured or destroyed	

Situation maps of Lage Ost and the general officer personnel files were also used for the unit history.

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Ia, KTB 1, Heimat und Frankreich. War journal concerning transfer from Guestrow/Mecklenburg, Wehrkreis II, to Sarthe and Mayenne, France, 27 Apr-7 May 1941; security activity and training as a reserve division in the Laval, Fennes, Mayenne, and Angers areas, 8 May-5 Jun; relief by the 712.ID, 6-11 Jun; movement to, coastal defense, occupation duty, training, and regrouping in the Le Quesnay, Dives-sur-Mer, Trouville-sur-Mer, and Honfleur areas between the Orne and Seine Rivers, 10 Jun 1941-20 Jan 1942; relief by the 711.ID, 21-24 Jan; movement to, coastal defense, occupation duty, training, and regrouping in the Angers, Laval, Fennes, Le Mans, and Pont-l'Eveque areas, 24 Jan-20 Mar; release of personnel to form the cadre of the 377.ID, 11-20 Mar 1942. -Movement to Bolbec to relieve the 336.ID, 20-29 Mar; coastal defense in the Fecamp, Le Havre, and Bolbec areas, 30 Mar 1942-10 Feb 1943; relief by the 17.LwFeldID, 10-13 Feb 1943; and movement to Rouen on 14 Feb 1943, for the planned transfer to the east. Included are order-of-battle charts and status reports.	1941/04/27-1943/02/16	332.ID 26579/1	2074	1
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Ia, Anlagenband Ib zum KTB 1. Orders, directives, messages, and maps pertaining to movement to Bolbec to relieve the 336.ID, 22-29 Mar; coastal defense, security activity, formation of new units, reorganization as a combat division, training, and regrouping in the Fecamp, Le Havre, Lillebonne, and Bolbec areas, 30 Mar 1942-10 Feb 1943; relief by the 17.LwFeldD, 8-13 Feb; and movement to the Dieppe and Yvetot areas in preparation for the transfer to the east, 10-15 Feb 1943. Order-of-battle charts, notes on command conferences and inspections, and special directives concerning supply and construction of the fortification "Le Havre."	1942/03/22-1943/02/15	332.ID 26579/4	2074	707
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Ia, Anlagenband IV zum KTB 1, Divisionsbefehle fuer die Ausbildung. Division training orders relating to the formation as a combat unit in Wehrkreis II, 28 Nov 1940-1 Mar 1941, and coastal defense in France, 8 May 1941-26 Jan 1943.	1940/11/28-1943/01/26	332.ID 26579/8	2075	695
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Order-of-battle charts; status, strength, and casualty reports; a register of officers; daily reports from subordinate units; and maps showing the location of billeting areas in France and the tactical disposition of the 332.ID and enemy forces in Russia.

Ia, IIa, Ib, KTB 3 mit Anlagen, Zusammengefasste Darstellung. Orders, reports, messages, summary, and maps pertaining to defensive operations, construction of positions, security of the rear area, formation and reorganization of division units, evacuation of the civilian population from the combat zone, training, and regrouping in the Borisovka, Bol'shoy Basov, Novo-Berezovka, Chulanovo, Khotmyzhek, Krasnyy Kutok, Polyanoye, Moshchenoye, Terebrenec, Kryukovo, Graivoron, and Trostyanets areas. Special supply directives, 1 Apr-28 Jul 1943; daily reports of the personnel branch, 2 Jan-25 Jun 1943; notes on command conferences; strength reports; data regarding enemy operations; and an intelligence bulletin.
(The war journal was destroyed at Borisovka before the breakthrough of the encirclement, 6 Aug 1943.)

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