

349. INFANTERIE-DIVISION - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1943/11/25	Saint-Omer, Aire, Lumbres, France	Activation (21.Welle), formation from Kampfgruppe Kanalkueste and remnants of the 217., 376., and 384.ID, training	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Otto Lasch, 1943/11/20-1944/08/12 Subordinate to: AK 82, 1943/11/25-1944/03/25
1944/02/00	Calais, Boulogne	Construction of rear area positions, coastal defense	
1944/03/26	Lvov (Lemberg), Soviet Union, Zolochew (Zloczow)	Transfer, assembly	AK 48 Pz, 1944/03/26-1944/07/14
1944/04/01	Brody, Ternopol, Perepelich'ye	Offensive operations, position defense	
1944/07/14	Sasov, Zolochew, Brody	Encirclement	AK 13, 1944/07/15-1944/08/10
1944/07/20	Sasov, Zolochew, Korczyn	Breakthrough, withdrawal, rehabilitation	C.O.: Obst. Gerhard Wilck, mFb., 1944/07/27-?
1944/08/01	Skole, Tuchla, Mukachevo	Withdrawal	
1944/08/10	Mukachevo	Assembly, disbandment	

Records of the 349.ID are reproduced on roll 2147 of NARS Microfilm Publication T315 and are described following the unit history.

Although no records of this division dated later than 1944/08/10 were available in the National Archives, records of OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt., H 1/38 (T78, roll 398, p. 25, 34, 136, and 158) show:

1944/08/05		Official disbandment
1944/09/14		Formation of 349.VGrD (32.Welle)
1944/09/15	Stablack, Wehrkreis I	Incorporation of the 567.ID
1944/09/30		Operational readiness
1944/12/19		Redesignation as the 551.VGrD

Records of OKH/AHA/Abwicklungsstab, H 41/2 (T78, roll 139) contain an afteraction report entitled "Korpsabteilung C in der Kesselschlacht des XIII. AK suedwestlich Brody vom 13.-22. Juli 1944"; and H 41/57 (T78, roll 142) "Meldungen ueber den Stand der Abwicklung vom 1.11.44 bis 1.3.45, Heeresgruppe Nordukraine."

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<p>Ia, Ueberblick ueber den Werdegang der 349.ID vom Tage der Aufstellung bis zum Tage der Aufloesung. A unit history, with maps, of the 349.ID, previously "Kampfgruppe Kanalkueste," concerning its activation from remnants of the 217.ID, parts of the recently activated 376. and 384.ID, and Turkestani volunteers in the Saint-Omer, Aire, and Lumbres areas of France, 25 Nov 1943; training in the Saint-Cmer area, Nov 1943-Feb 1944; and construction of coastal and rear area positions in the Calais and Boulcogne areas, Feb-Mar 1944.</p> <p>Transfer to Lvov (Lemberg), Ukrainian S.S.R., and assembly in the Zolochev (Zloczow) area, 26-31 Mar; closing of the frontline gap in the Brody and Ternopol areas, 1-15 Apr; position defense in the Perepelich'ye area, 15 Apr-13 Jul; encirclement during the large-scale Russian offensive and breakthrough in the Sasov and Zolochev areas, 14-20 Jul; withdrawal to Korczyn for rest and rehabilitation, via Przemyslany, Chodorov, and Stry, 21-31 Jul; withdrawal to Skcle and Tuchla and assembly in Mukachevo, 1-20 Aug; and disbandment, 10 Aug 1944.</p> <p>Includes a division order for assembly in the Zolochev area, 26-31 Mar 1944; and a report on the operation against the fortifications system south of Trostyanets (Troscianiec-Wielk), 23 May 1944. (The document indicates that only the Div.Stab and the Abwicklungsstab were available for the activation of the 349. Volksgrenadier-Division in Sep 1944.)</p>	1943/11/25-1944/08/10	349.ID 77712	2147	1
<p>IIa, 349.ID, Abwicklungsstelle der 217.ID, Akte Generalleutnant Iasch. Gen.Lt. Otto Iasch's personnel file, including a request dated 12 Apr 1942, recommendations, and documentaticn gathered for</p>	1944/07/28-1944/07/28	349.ID 77713	2147	41

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awarding him the Eichenlaub zum Ritterkreuz des Eisernen Kreuzes; a list of subordination of the 217.ID during its assignment on the eastern front, 22 Jun 1941-18 Nov 1943; extracts from the war journal of the 217.ID with situation maps concerning the counteroffensive northeast of Nezhin and withdrawal from the Verkiyevka area, 13-17 Sep 1943; and reports on the encirclement of the 349.ID south of Brody, 14-22 Jul 1944.