

560. INFANTERIE-DIVISION (VOLKSGRENADIER) - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1944/07/20	Oslo, Eidsvoll, Lillestrom, Norway	Activation as the 560.ID (30.Welle), formation, training	Subordinate to: AOK Norwegen
1944/09/18	Eidsvoll	Redesignation as 560.Volks.Gren.Div.	
1944/11/01	Eidsvoll	Operational readiness	
1944/11/02 ca.	Moss	Movement, coastal defense, training	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Rudolf Bader, 1944/11/10-1945/03/25
1944/11/27	Graasten, Denmark	Transfer	
1944/11/30	Graasten, Rinkenaes, Padborg, Sonderborg, Augustenborg (Als Island)	Occupation duty, training	
1944/12/07	Arzfeld, Germany via Flensburg	Transfer	
1944/12/16	Heinerscheid, Hoffelt, Luxembourg; Houffalize, Gouvy, Laroche, Belgium	Advance, offensive engagements (Ardennes offensive)	Gen.Maj. Rudolf Langhaeuser, mstFb., 1944/12/15-1944/12/31 Subordinate to: AK 58 Pz
1944/12/22	Dochamps, Melines, Soy, Magoster, Werpin, Amonines	Defensive and offensive engagements	
1944/12/29	Chabreliet, Odeigne, Langlir, Les Tailles, Wilogne, Thommen, Houffalize, Saint-Vith	Disengagement movements	
1945/01/23	Weiswampach, Luxembourg	Withdrawal, defensive operations by remnants	
1945/02/01	Pruem, Germany	Withdrawal, defensive operations	
1945/02/05	Trier, Wallendorf, Mettendorf, Bollendorf, Wintersdorf	Defensive operations by Kampfgruppe 560.VGrD	AK 80
1945/02/26	Speicher, Traben-Trarbach, Kirn	Disengagement movements	
1945/03/30	Ludwigsburg, Germersheim	Withdrawal of Stab 560.VGrD	
1945/03/23	Bruchsal	Destruction of the 560.VGrD	

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Although only one record item of this division was available in the National Archives, records of OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt., H 1/38 (T78, roll 398) and H 1/131 (T78, roll 412), situation maps of Lage Norwegen und Daenemark, Skandinavien, and West, and manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series were 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 560.ID(VGr) as follows:

Ardennes: MS B-024 (Ardennes Campaign, 16 Dec 1944-25 Jan 1945), by Gen.Maj. Rudolf Bader

MS B-027 (The Attack and Defense Battle in the Ardennes, 16 Dec 1944-17 Jan 1945), by Gen.Maj. Rudolf Langhaeuser

Trier: MS B-609 (Defensive Operations in the area of Trier under the LXXX Corps, Part I, 5 Feb-9 Mar 1945) and

MS B-750 (Defensive Operations in the area of Trier under the LXXX Corps, Part II, 17 Feb-10 Mar 1945), by Gen.Maj. Rudolf Bader.

CONTENTS	DATES	ITEM NO.	ROLL	1ST FRAME
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