

12. SS PANZER-DIVISION "HITLERJUGEND" - UNIT HISTORY

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1943/06/01	Truppeneubungsplatz Beverloo, Brussels, Belgium	Activation of SSPzGrD "Hitlerjugend" (source: T175, roll 108, frames 2631203-2631264)	C.O.: SS Brigadefuehrer Fritz Witt, 1943/06/01-1944/06/16 Generalkommando SS Pz Korps 1 "Leibstandarte" OB West AOK 15
1943/10/30		Redesignated as 12.SSPzD "Hitlerjugend" (source: T175, roll 108, fr. 2631204)	
1944/01/18	Turnhout, Herenthals, Vorselaar, Herenthout, Grobbendonk	Training	
1944/03/27	Tillieres, Acon, France Menilles, Pacy-sur-Eure, Chambray, Hardencourt, Jouy-sur-Eure	Training	
1944/06/04	Lisieux, Evreux, Cheux, Cambes, Epron	Movement, offensive operations	AK 81 AK 84
1944/06/11	Fontenay-le-Marmion, Cheux, Esquay-Notre-Dame, Carpiquet Bretteville-l'Orgueilleuse, Maltot, Caen, Normandy	Defensive operations	
1944/06/16		Surprise naval artillery attack killed Division Commander Witt (source: MS P-164)	C.O.: SS Standartenfuehrer Kurt Meyer, 1944/06/17-1944/09/06
1944/06/27	Verson, Grainville, Le Mesnil-Patry, Cheux, Fontenay-le-Pesnel, Mondrainville, Odon River, Orne River	Defensive operations, retreat	
1944/07/08	Caen, Cabaret, Ardennes, Carpiquet, Garcelles	Defensive operations	
1944/07/11	Potigny, Falaise	Rehabilitation	
1944/07/17	Maltot, Vendes	Alert, defensive operations	

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1944/08/04	Caen, Orne River, Potigny, Foret de Grimbosq, Saint-Laurent	Defensive operations	
1944/08/20	Dives River, Laigle, Verneuil, Dreux, Seine River, Hirson	Defensive operations	
1944/09/04	Yvoir, Meuse River, Namur, Godinne, Belgium	Defensive operations	
1944/09/06	Spontin, Dinant, Godinne, Durbuy, Vielsalm	Defensive operations, retreat	
1944/09/11	Hillesheim, west of Koblenz	Rehabilitation	SS Obersturmbannfuehrer Hubert Meyer (m.d.F.b.)
1944/10/18	Osnabrueck, Soest, Westphalia, Sulingen, Nienburg, Weser	Training, rehabilitation	
1944/11/17	Gross Koenigsdorf, Eifel, Gleuel	Movement, preparation for the Ardennes offensive	SS Brigadefuehrer Hugo Kraas, 1944/11/15 Subordinate to: SS PzAOK 6; SS PzK 1 "LSSAH"
1944/12/13	Zuelpich, Euskirchen, Weilerwist, Erp, Mechernich, Marmachen, Sistig, Wahlen, Kall	Movement, assembly	
1944/12/16	Malmedy, Eupen, Verviers	Ardennes offensive	
1945/01/23	Schleiden, Hellenthal, Odenkirchen, Cologne (Koeln)	Withdrawal	
1945/02/15	Bonn Hungary	Transfer	
1945/03/20	Mor, Bakonyzentlaszlo, north of Lake Balaton (Plattensee)	(source: situation maps Lage Ost)	
1945/03/25	Papa, Takacsi		
1945/03/30	Sopron (Oedenburg), Neusiedler Lake		

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1945/04/15	Stoob, Kaumberg, Vienna Forest (Wienerwald), Austria		
1945/05/06	Kirchberg, Traisen River		
1945/05/08	Enns, Linz	Surrendered to U.S. Forces	

Records of the 12. SS Panzer-Division "Hitlerjugend" are reproduced on rolls 153-156 of NARS Microfilm Publication T354, listed in guide No. 27, p. 6-7, and described following the unit history. Records of the Reich Leader SS, T175, rolls 108 and 111 contain references to this division.

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 12. SS Panzer-Division "Hitlerjugend" as follows:

MS B-522 (The 12. SS Panzer-Division "Hitlerjugend" in the Ardennes offensive), by SS Brigadefuehrer Hugo Kraas

MS B-814 (Panzer Operations, 6-8 Jun 1944; Answers to a questionnaire on the commitment of armor against the Normandy landings), by Generalmajor der W-SS Fritz Kraemer and Generalleutnant Fritz Bayerlein

MS C-024 (I. SS Panzer-Korps in the West in 1944; From Normandy to the West Wall, June-September 1944), by Gen.Maj. Fritz Kraemer

MS C-048 (I. SS Panzer-Korps in the West in 1944; A continuation of MS # C-024), by Gen.Maj. Fritz Kraemer

MS P-164 (12. SS Panzer-Division "Hitlerjugend", Juni bis September 1944), by Gen.Maj. der W-SS, Kurt Meyer and Obstlt. der W-SS, Hubert Meyer

MS T-9, Part II (Die Operationen der Heeresgruppe Suedukraine (Sued) in Rumaenien, Ungarn und Oesterreich (Mai 1944 bis Kriegsende) der Heeresgruppe Nordukraine (A) in Galizien und Ostpolen (Mai bis Ende August 1944) und der Armeegruppe Heinrici (1. Panzer Armee) in den Beskiden (September 1944 bis Ende Januar 1945)), by Gen.Lt. Otto Heidkaemper;

Appendix No. 1 to MS T-9 (Die Operationen der Heeresgruppe Suedukraine (Sued), der Heeresgruppe Nordukraine (A) und der Armeegruppe Heinrici (1. Pz Armee), Mai 1944 bis Mai 1945), by General der Panzertruppen Walter Wenck, Gen.Obst. Erhard Raus, Obst. Hermann Teske, Gen. Jon Gheorghe (Rumanian), and Gen.Obst. Gotthard Heinrici.

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Ia, Ib, Ic, IIa/b, IVa, IVb, VI. Befehle und Berichte. Orders and reports pertaining to supply; administrative, personnel, and training matters; and medical service, military security, and troop indoctrination.	1943/09/29- 1944/06/02	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/2	153	3797025
Ia, Ib, IIa/b, IVa, IVb, Befehle und Richtlinien. Orders, directives, and guidelines pertaining to administrative, medical, personnel, and supply matters.	1943/07/25- 1944/05/29	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/3	153	3797119
Ic, Richtlinien und Berichte des Oberbefehlshabers West, AOK 15, Gen.Kdo. II. SS Panzer-Korps, 12. SS PzD "Hitlerjugend." Directives and reports concerning intelligence service, control of the civilian population in France and northern Belgium, activities of the Flemish and Walloon guard units, defense against French resistance movement, counterintelligence activity, and enemy propaganda.	1942/02/08- 1944/08/04	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/4	154	3797299
Ia, Merkblaetter und Anordnungen ueber Ausbildung und Planspiele. Orders and directives pertaining to combat training, maneuvers, and map exercises.	1943/08/21- 1944/03/21	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/5	154	3797315
Ia, Ib, Ic, IIa/b, III, IVb, VI, Befehle, Berichte und Anordnungen. Orders, directives, and reports pertaining to enemy propaganda, the dropping of ammunition and equipment to enemy agents in the Turnhout area, Belgium, 19 Sep 1943; defensive and protective measures in the Buron area, France, 2 Jul 1944; training, personnel, disciplinary, intelligence, and supply matters; military security; defense against enemy agents, saboteurs, and terrorists; and control of POW's and troop indoctrination. Also inventories of	1943/09/19- 1944/07/22	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/6	154	3797495

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Ia, Ic, Besondere Anordnungen fuer den IC Dienst, Ausbildung und Tagesmeldungen. Special directives on combat training and intelligence service; also reports on counterintelligence activity.	1940/01/11-1943/09/05	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/8	154	3797807
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Ia, Anordnungen und Merkblaetter ueber die Ausbildung, SS Art Rgt. 12 und SS PzGr Rgt. 24/12.SS. SS PzD "Hitlerjugend." Directives, orders, and manuals pertaining to combat training and map exercises.	1943/11/29-1944/03/05	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/39	156	3800012
Ia, IIa/b, Ib, Besondere Anordnung fuer die Versorgung. Special supply directives and regulations governing alert exercises, unit rosters, and the granting of awards.	1943/09/13- 1944/07/06	12.SSPzD HJ 78016/40	156	3800150
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