

77th Holding Division ⁽¹⁾

Headquarters, 77th Holding Division

203rd Infantry Brigade ⁽²⁾

Headquarters, 203rd Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

11th Bn. The South Staffordshire Regiment

11th Bn. The York and Lancaster Regiment

9th Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's)

7th Bn. The Royal Ulster Rifles

209th Infantry Brigade ⁽³⁾

Headquarters, 209th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

11th (Royal Militia Island of Jersey) Bn. The Hampshire Regiment

18th Bn. The Welch Regiment

6th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment

14th Bn. The Durham Light Infantry

Divisional Troops

175th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

176th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

NOTES:

1. This formation was raised on 1 December 1941 on the lower establishment by the redesignation of the Devon and Cornwall County Division. On 20 December 1942, it was reorganised and redesignated as the 77th Infantry (Reserve) Division. It was reorganised again on 1 December 1943 for sorting, retraining and holding personnel who were unassigned due to disbandment of other units, transfer from other arms or services, those returning for medical reasons, and personnel arriving back in the United Kingdom from service overseas. The division was disbanded on 1 September 1944, when its functions were taken over by the 45th Infantry (Reserve) Division.
2. This brigade was formed on 11 October 1940 by Number 3 Infantry Training Group. It was formed in the South West Area, and it joined the Devon and Cornwall County Division when it was formed on 24 February 1941. That division was redesignated as the 77th Infantry Division, and the brigade remained with the division. When the division was disbanded, the brigade was redesignated as the 134th Infantry Brigade on 1 December 1944, then joining the 45th Infantry Division.
3. This brigade was formed on 13 October 1940 by the Number 9 Infantry Training Group. Initially it was based in the South West, but it joined the Devon and Cornwall County Division on 28 February 1941. It became part of the 77th Division on the redesignation of the county division on 1 December 1941. When the division was disbanded, the brigade was redesignated as the 135th Infantry Brigade on 1 September 1944 and transferred to the 45th Infantry Division.

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