



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

7th ENGINEER BATTALION (HAMMER BATTALION)

Organized 31 December 1861 in the Regular Army at Washington, D.C., from new and existing companies of engineers as a provisional engineer battalion (constituted 28 July 1866 as the Battalion of Engineers)

Expanded 14 March-7 June 1901 to form the 1st and 2d Battalions of Engineers (2d Battalion of Engineers--hereafter separate lineage)

1st Battalion of Engineers expanded, reorganized, and redesignated 1 July 1916 as the 1st Regiment of Engineers

1st Regiment of Engineers expanded 15 May 1917 to form the 1st, 6th, and 7th Regiments of Engineers (1st and 6th Regiments of Engineers--hereafter separate lineages)

7th Regiment of Engineers redesignated 29 August 1917 as the 7th Engineers

Assigned 17 November 1917 to the 5th Division (later redesignated as the 5th Infantry Division)

Inactivated (less Company A) 10 October 1921 at Camp Jackson, South Carolina (Company A inactivated 1 October 1933 at Fort Benning, Georgia)

Redesignated 16 October 1939 as the 7th Engineer Battalion and activated at Fort Logan, Colorado

Redesignated 28 May 1943 as the 7th Engineer Combat Battalion

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Inactivated 20 September 1946 at Camp Campbell, Kentucky, and Ladd Field, Alaska

Activated 6 July 1948 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina

Inactivated 30 April 1950 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina

Activated 1 March 1951 at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Pennsylvania

Inactivated 1 September 1953 at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Pennsylvania

Redesignated 7 April 1954 as the 7th Engineer Battalion

Activated 25 May 1954 in Germany

Inactivated 1 June 1957 at Fort Ord, California

Activated 19 February 1962 at Fort Carson, Colorado

Inactivated (less Company A) 15 December 1970 at Fort Carson, Colorado (Company A inactivated 6 August 1971 in Vietnam)

Activated 21 July 1975 at Fort Polk, Louisiana

Inactivated 15 December 1992 at Fort Polk, Louisiana, and relieved from assignment to the 5th Infantry Division

Headquarters and Headquarters Company activated 19 October 2006 at Fort Drum, New York (Support Company concurrently constituted and activated)

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CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

Civil War
Peninsula
Antietam
Fredericksburg
Chancellorsville
Wilderness
Spotsylvania
Cold Harbor
Petersburg
Appomattox
Virginia 1863

War with Spain
Santiago

World War I
St. Mihiel
Meuse-Argonne
Alsace 1918
Lorraine 1918

World War II
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe

War on Terrorism
Campaigns to be determined

DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2009-2010

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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