

97th INFANTRY DIVISION

HERALDIC ITEMS

SHOULDER SLEEVE INSIGNIA

Description: On a blue shield, triangular in shape with a white border, a white trident vertical.

Symbolism: Blue and white are representative of infantry; they also symbolize the blue lakes and white mountains of the area (Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire) where the division was organized after World War I. The prongs of the trident further allude to the three states.

DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA

None approved.

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HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 97th INFANTRY DIVISION

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LINEAGE

(inactive)

Constituted 5 September 1918 in the National Army as Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 97th Division. Organized 26 September 1918 at Camp Cody, New Mexico. Demobilized 22 December 1918 at Camp Cody, New Mexico. Reconstituted 24 June 1921 in the Organized Reserves as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 97th Division. Organized in December 1921 at Manchester, New Hampshire. Reorganized and redesignated 12 February 1942 as Division Headquarters and Headquarters and Military Police Company (less Military Police Platoon), 97th Division. Ordered into active military service 25 February 1943 and reorganized at Camp Swift, Texas, as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 97th Infantry Division. Inactivated 31 March 1946 in Japan. (Organized Reserves redesignated 25 March 1948 as the Organized Reserve Corps; redesignated 9 July 1952 as the Army Reserve.)

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II
Central Europe

DECORATIONS

None.