

**Organizational History of
German Naval Divisions
1945**

1st Naval Infantry Division: Formed February 1945 in Stettin from the Marine Schützen Brigade Nord.

- 1st Marine Schützen Regiment
 - 301st-304th Marine Schützen Battalion
- 2nd Marine Schützen Regiment
 - 305th-308th Marine Schützen Battalion
- 3rd Marine Schützen Regiment
 - 309th-312th Marine Schützen Battalion
- 4th Marine Schützen Regiment
 - 313th-316th Marine Schützen Battalion

The 3rd Marine Schützen Regiment was sent to the Vistula in Jan/Feb 1944. The other regiments were used to form the division. It was later reorganized and redesignated as the 1st Naval Infantry Division and had:

- 1/,2/1st Marine (Naval) Infantry Regiment
- 1/,2/2nd Marine (Naval) Infantry Regiment
- 1/,2/4th Marine (Naval) Infantry Regiment
- Division Füsilier company (became Bn with 4 Cos in April)
- Naval Artillery Regiment (only 1 Bn, with 4? batteries)
- Panzer Jäger Battalion (4 Cos, 5 in April 1945)
- Marine (Naval) Feldersatz (Reserve) Battalion (6 Cos)

According to official sources, on 4/15/45 it added:

- Pioneer Battalion (4 Cos)
- Nachrichten Battalion (4 Cos)

2nd Naval Infantry Division: Formed March 1945 in Schleswig/Holstein.

- 5th Marine (Naval) Grenadier Regiment
- 6th Marine (Naval) Grenadier Regiment
- 7th Marine (Naval) Grenadier Regiment
- 2nd Marine (Naval) Fusilier Battalion
- 2nd Marine (Naval) Artillery Regiment
- 2nd Marine (Naval) Panzerjäger (AT) Battalion
- 2nd Marine (Naval) Pioneer Battalion
- 2nd Marine (Naval) Signals Battalion
- 2nd Marine (Naval) Feldersatz (Replacement) Battalion
- 200th Marine (Naval) Defense Regiment

3rd Naval Infantry Division: Formed 1 April 1945 in Pommerania from the 163rd Infantry Division. It had been formed on 11/10/39 as a 7th Wave Division and had served in Finland until 1944. In March 1945 it was joined to the 3rd Panzer Army in Pommerania. On 4/1/45 it passed to the Navy. It was organized with:

- 8th Marine (Naval) Grenadier Regiment

(formerly 307th Grenadier Regiment?)
9th Marine (Naval) Grenadier Regiment
(formerly 310th Grenadier Regiment?)
10th Marine (Naval) Grenadier Regiment
(formerly 324th Grenadier Regiment?)
Marine (Naval) Artillery Regiment
(formerly 234th Artillery Regiment)
3rd Marine (Naval) Division Einheiten (Support) Troop
(formerly 234th Division Einheiten)

The 126th and 128th Marine (Naval) Schützen Battalions were also assigned to the division.

11th Naval Division: Formed in March 1945 in Holland with:

111th Naval Schützen Regiment
112th Naval Schützen Regiment
113th Naval Schützen Regiment

16th Naval Infantry Division: Formed in March 1945 in Holland with:

Staff (from 4th Schiff Stamm (Ship's Trunk) Regiment)
161st Marine Schützen Regiment (from 6th Schiff Stamm (Ship's Trunk) Regiment)
162nd Marine Schützen Regiment (from 10th Schiff Stamm (Ship's Trunk) Regiment)
163rd Marine Schützen Regiment (from 24th Schiff Stamm (Ship's Trunk) Regiment)

On 4/12/45 the division was renamed the "Tarn" Division and appears to have been organized with:

604th Grenadier Regiment (from 219th ID)
219th Fusilier Grenadier Battalion
191th Grenadier Battalion
219th Grenadier Regiment (from 730rd ID)
703rd Fusilier Battalion
579th Grenadier Regiment

Weber Naval Brigade Formed in August 1944 in Bordeaux by the Commander of the Naval Arsenals. It contained:

von Pflugk-Harttung Naval Regiment
Badermann Naval Regiment
Kühnemann Naval Regiment

It was disbanded in September 1944, during the withdrawal from France.

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