

37th Special Naval Construction Battalion

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Information*



*“Construimus, Batuimus”
“We Build, We Fight”*



37th CB (Sp)

NCTC - Davisville
 ABD - Hueneme
 Ready Date - 15 May '45
 Left ABD - 10 Apr '45
 Location - Pearl Harbor

- 2-27-45 - NCTC Davisville ordered to transfer the 37th (Sp) to Hueneme 8 Mar '45. (CNO conf. disp. to NCTC Davisville 211635 dtd 21 Feb '45).
- 3-12-45 - The 37th (Sp) departed NCTC Davisville 8 Mar '45 for Hueneme with 28 officers and 1005 men. (NCTC Davisville 092059 TWX Mar '45 to Bupers).
- 3-17-45 - The 37th (Sp) Section 3 arrived Hueneme 13 Mar '45 with 10 officers and 325 men. (Hueneme TWX 160309 Mar '45)
- 3-21-45 - The 37th (Sp) Section 1 and 2 arrived Hueneme 13 Mar '45 with 18 officers and 681 men. (Hueneme TWX 200314 Mar '45 to Bupers).
- 3-10-45 - CNO Sec Disp to Cincpoa Pearl and Comservpac 071802 Mar '45 - If loading ships at Pearl cannot be accomplished thru other means, suggest diversion of the 1st (Sp) from Sopac or one of the BIVE (Sp). (Ref: Comservpac 052043 which urgently requested a CB (Sp) to replace the 28th (Sp) at Pearl)
- 3-17-45 - Cincpoa Pearl Sec Disp to CNO 150031 Mar '45 - Impossible to divert the 1st (Sp) from Sopac as suggested, as they have already departed the West Coast.
- 3-21-45 - The 37th (Sp) will be assigned ur 150013. (CNO Sec Disp to Cincpoa P. 171354 Mar '45)
- 4- 7-45 - Comservpac recommends that the 37th (Sp) be outfitted at Pearl. (Comservpac conf disp to CNO & Cincpoa P. 230111 Mar '45)
- 4- 7-45 - Comservpac 230111 approved. (CNO Restr Disp to Comservpac 241857 Mar '45)

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37th C.B. (Special)

- 4- 9-45 - The 37th (Sp) assigned Pearl to replace the 28th (Sp) - to be made ready and outfitted by 1 Apr '45. (CNO conf disp to Cincpoa Pearl and others 171405 Mar '45)
- 4-17-45 - The 37th (Sp) departed for overseas duty 10 Apr '45 with 29 off. and 1056 men. (Hueneme Conf Disp 140055 to Bupers)
- 5- 8-45 - The 37th (Sp) is located at P.H. (Dirpa cdocks S.F. Sec Rep of 15 Apr '45)
- 5-10-45 - 1 May '45 report of 37th (Sp) - Camp area at Red Hill, Oahu.
 1st Week Jan '45 - formed at Camp Endicott.
 6 Mar '45 - Commissioned with 28 officers & 1005 men on board.
 8 Mar '45 - Departed Davisville.
 13 Mar '45 - Arrived Port Hueneme.
 10 Apr '45 - Departed Port Hueneme.
 16 Apr '45 - Reported to HANCB & 20th Reg.
 Report routed via 20th Reg & 2nd Brig.
- 5-15-45 - 1 May '45 report of the 20th Reg. - Report states the 37th (Sp) arrived FRAY on 10 Apr '45. (Does not agree with above entry)
- 5-23-45 - 37th (Sp) shown deleted from 14ND activities. (Coml4 Sec disp 140159 May '45 to CNO)
- 6-8-45 - The 37th (Sp) located in Hawaiian area with the 20th Reg. (Comservpac conf spd-ltr 02882 Jun '45 to CNO)
- 6-14-45 - 1 Jun '45 report of the 37th (Sp) - location not stated. Report via 20th Reg and 2nd Brg.
- 7-11-45 - 1 Jul '45 report of the 37th (Sp) - location not stated. Report via 20th Reg and 2nd Brg.
- 8-13-45 - 1 Aug '45 report of the 37th (Sp) - location not given. Report via 20th Reg.

Location - Oahu, T. H.

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- 9-12-45 - 1 Sept'45 report of the 37th (Sp). Location not given. Report via 20th Reg.
9-24-45 - Following CBs attached 20th Reg - 14(Sp), 25th(Sp), 35(Sp), 37th(Sp). (Comservpac disp 151827 Sept'45 to CNO).
10-23-45 - 1 Oct'45 report of 37th(Sp). Location not given. Report via 20th Reg.
11-13-45 - 1 Nov'45 report of 37th(Sp) - location not given. Report via 20th Reg.
12-14-45 - 1 Dec'45 report of 37th(Sp) - located at Oahu, T.H. Report via 20th Reg.
12-28-45 - Comservpac reqs ComHawSeafron to inactivate 37th(Sp). (Comservpac disp 270207 Dec '45 to ComHawseafron).
1-21-46 - Inactivation of 37th(Sp) effective upon the disposal of all records, accounts and equipment. (OinC 20th Reg. ltr. ser 2172 dtd 12-27-45 to CinC 37th(Sp)).
1-29-46 - 1 Jan'46 report of 37th(Sp) - located at Oahu, T.H. Report via 20th Reg.
2-4-46 - 37th(Sp) was inactivated on 10 Jan'46. Remaining pers. who were not eligible for discharge were transferred to subordinate units of this Reg. (OinC, 20th Reg. ltr (conf) ser 61-46 dtd 10 Jan'46 to Comservpac).

INACTIVATED.

ON BOARD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OFF.</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>AUTHORITY</u>
1 Mar'45		744	BNP625
1 Apr'45		1016	BNP625
1 May'45		1044	BNP625
1 Jun'45	29	1057	BNP625 & R
1 Jul'45	25	1049	BNP625 & R
1 Aug'45	25	1058	BNP625 & R
1 Sept'45	25	1055	BNP625 & R
1 Oct'45	23	978	BNP625 & R
1 Nov'45	21	846	BNP625 & R
1 Dec'45	13	357	BNP625 & R
1 Jan'46	6	74	BNP625 & R

37 th Special	Organization	Location	Reference	Notes
12/21	-	Camp Endicott	C.B. report - December	(new unit being activated)
1/17	-	Camp Endicott	C.B. memo 1/13.	New unit. Sent ready date 4/2/45. no assignment
3/21	-	(Beard)	Cno rec'disp 171354 Mar	asid Beard as replacement 98 th sp. (see 150013 cont.
3/27	-	-	Comdespac Conf. 230111 Mar	recommend outfitting at Beard to same stdg.
3/27	-	"	Cno Conf disp. Conferences 171405 Mar.	Conferences 171354. Buses make ready and Bufocks outfit by 1 April.
5/22	-	FRAY (2nd Bd 19.)	Com 14 sec act disp. 1714059 Mar.	added.

37TH SPECIAL BATTALION

Formed at Davisville, R. I., the 37th Special moved to Port Hueneme March 8, 1945, arriving there a week later. Shipping overseas April 10, 1945 the Battalion reached Pearl Harbor April 15. In September 1945 the unit was still stationed in the Hawaiian Islands.



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