

= SM U @-@ 10 (Austria @-@ Hungary) =

SM U @-@ 10 or U @-@ X was the lead boat of the U @-@ 10 class of submarines for the Austro @-@ Hungarian Navy (German : Kaiserliche und Königliche Kriegsmarine or K.u.K. Kriegsmarine) during World War I. She was originally a German Type UB I submarine commissioned into the German Imperial Navy (German : Kaiserliche Marine) as SM UB @-@ 1 .

SM UB @-@ 1 was constructed in Germany and shipped by rail to Pola where she was assembled and launched in January 1915 . She was commissioned into the German Imperial Navy later that same month and sank an Italian torpedo boat in June . The boat was handed over to Austria @-@ Hungary and commissioned as SM U @-@ 10 in July . In May 1917 , U @-@ 10 was fired upon by a British submarine , but both of the torpedoes that were launched missed . In July 1918 , U @-@ 10 hit a mine and was beached with heavy damage . She was towed to Trieste for repairs which remained unfinished at the war 's end . U @-@ 10 was handed over to Italy as a war reparation and scrapped in 1920 .

= = Design and construction = =

U @-@ 10 was a small , coastal submarine that displaced 127 tonnes (125 long tons) surfaced and 142 tonnes (140 long tons) submerged . She featured a single shaft , a single 60 bhp (45 kW) Daimler diesel engine for surface running , and a single 120 shp (89 kW) electric motor for submerged travel . U @-@ 10 was capable of up to 6 @-@ 5 knots (12 @-@ 0 km / h ; 7 @-@ 5 mph) while surfaced and 5 @-@ 5 knots (10 @-@ 2 km / h ; 6 @-@ 3 mph) while submerged at a diving depth of up to 50 metres (160 ft) . She was designed for a crew of 17 officers and men .

U @-@ 10 was equipped with two 45 cm (17 @-@ 7 in) torpedo tubes located in the front and carried a complement of two torpedoes . German Type UB I submarines were additionally equipped with a 8 mm (0 @-@ 31 in) machine gun , but it is not clear from sources if U @-@ 10 , as a former German boat , was either equipped with one or , if so , retained it in Austro @-@ Hungarian service . In October 1916 , U @-@ 10 's armament was supplemented with a 37 @-@ mm / 23 (1 @-@ 5 in) quick @-@ firing (QF) gun . This gun was replaced by a 47 @-@ mm / 23 (1 @-@ 9 in) QF gun in November 1917 .

Construction of UB @-@ 1 was started on 1 November 1914 at Germaniawerft in Kiel . After her assembly was complete UB @-@ 1 was launched on 22 January 1915 .

After extended negotiations between Austria @-@ Hungary and Germany , in March 1915 it was decided for Germany to supply five submarines of the UB I type . This model was familiar to the Austro @-@ Hungarian Navy since the Imperial German Navy had reassembled UB3 , UB 8 , and UB 9 at the Pola factory . The first boat was bought on April 4 , 1915 , a " sample " UB 1 boat . This submarine was shipped by rail in sections to Pola , where the sections were riveted together . Though there is no record of how long it took for UB @-@ 1 's parts to be assembled , a sister boat , UB @-@ 3 , shipped from Germany in mid @-@ April 1915 , was assembled in about two weeks .

= = Operational history = =

SM UB @-@ 1 was commissioned into the German Imperial Navy under the command of Oberleutnant zur See Franz Wäger on 29 January . An Austro @-@ Hungarian Navy officer was assigned to the boat for piloting and training purposes . On 26 June 1915 , UB @-@ 1 sank an Italian torpedo boat Torpediniere 5 Pn in the Gulf of Venice .

On 4 June 1915 , after being disassembled into three sections and transported by rail to Pola for reassembling , UB @-@ 1 was handed over to the Austro @-@ Hungarian Navy and commissioned as U @-@ 10 under the command of Linienschiffsleutnant Karl Edler von Unczowski .

British submarine H4 had an encounter with U @-@ 10 on 11 May 1917 . While cruising off Pola , H4 came across U @-@ 10 and fired a spread of two torpedoes at the submarine . The torpedoes were aimed to be 5 ° apart at a distance of 365 metres (400 yd) which was apparently too wide , because the captain of H4 observed the torpedoes miss just ahead and just astern of U @-@ 10 .

On 9 July 1918 , U @-@ 10 hit an Italian mine near Caorle in the northern Adriatic Sea at position 45 ° 30 ' N 13 ° 00 ' E , and was beached with heavy damage . Although she was looted by Austro @-@ Hungarian Army troops , she was later towed to Trieste for repairs , which remained unfinished at war 's end ; all of the 13 crew personnel were saved . U @-@ 10 was handed over to Italy as a war reparation and scrapped at Pola by 1920 . U @-@ 10 sank no ships in her Austro @-@ Hungarian service .

= = Summary of raiding history = =