

= SM UB @-@ 11 =

SM UB @-@ 11 was a German Type UB I submarine or U @-@ boat in the German Imperial Navy (German : Kaiserliche Marine) during World War I. UB @-@ 11 was ordered in October 1914 and was laid down at the AG Weser shipyard in Bremen in November . UB @-@ 11 was a little under 28 metres (92 ft) in length and displaced between 127 and 141 tonnes (125 and 139 long tons) , depending on whether surfaced or submerged . She carried two torpedoes for her two bow torpedo tubes and was also armed with a deck @-@ mounted machine gun . She was launched and commissioned as SM UB @-@ 11 in March 1915 .

UB @-@ 11 's commanding officer at commissioning only remained in charge of the ship for a week . Sources do not report any more commanding officers assigned through the end of the war , so it 's not clear if the submarine remained in commission . UB @-@ 11 was reported in use as a training vessel at Kiel in September 1915 . The U @-@ boat made no war patrols and sank no ships during the war , which may indicate that the vessel remained in a training role . At the end of the war , UB @-@ 11 was deemed unseaworthy and unable to surrender at Harwich with the rest of Germany 's U @-@ boat fleet . She remained in Germany where she was broken up by Stinnes in February 1920 .

= = Design and construction = =

After the German Army 's rapid advance along the North Sea coast in the earliest stages of World War I , the German Imperial Navy found itself without suitable submarines that could be operated in the narrow and shallow seas off Flanders . Project 34 , a design effort begun in mid @-@ August 1914 , produced the Type UB I design : a small submarine that could be shipped by rail to a port of operations and quickly assembled . Constrained by railroad size limitations , the UB I design called for a boat about 28 metres (92 ft) long and displacing about 125 tonnes (123 long tons) with two torpedo tubes .

UB @-@ 11 was part of the initial allotment of seven submarines ? numbered UB @-@ 9 to UB @-@ 15 ? ordered on 15 October from AG Weser of Bremen , just shy of two months after planning for the class began . UB @-@ 11 was laid down by Weser in Bremen on 7 November . As built , UB @-@ 11 was 27 @-@ 88 metres (91 ft 6 in) long , 3 @-@ 15 metres (10 ft 4 in) abeam , and had a draft of 3 @-@ 03 metres (9 ft 11 in) . She had a single 59 @-@ brake @-@ horsepower (44 kW) Körting 4 @-@ cylinder diesel engine for surface travel , and a single 119 @-@ shaft @-@ horsepower (89 kW) Siemens @-@ Schuckert electric motor for underwater travel , both attached to a single propeller shaft . Her top speeds were 7 @-@ 45 knots (13 @-@ 80 km / h ; 8 @-@ 57 mph) , surfaced , and 6 @-@ 24 knots (11 @-@ 56 km / h ; 7 @-@ 18 mph) , submerged . At more moderate speeds , she could sail up to 1 @-@ 500 nautical miles (2 @-@ 800 km ; 1 @-@ 700 mi) on the surface before refueling , and up to 45 nautical miles (83 km ; 52 mi) submerged before recharging her batteries . Like all boats of the class , UB @-@ 11 was rated to a diving depth of 50 metres (160 ft) , and could completely submerge in 33 seconds .

UB @-@ 11 was armed with two 45 @-@ centimeter (17 @-@ 7 in) torpedoes in two bow torpedo tubes . She was also outfitted for a single 8 @-@ millimeter (0 @-@ 31 in) machine gun on deck . UB @-@ 11 's standard complement consisted of one officer and thirteen enlisted men . After work on UB @-@ 11 was complete at the Weser yard , she was launched on 2 March .

= = Career = =

The submarine was commissioned into the German Imperial Navy as SM UB @-@ 11 on 4 March 1915 under the command of Kapitänleutnant (Kapt .) Ralph Wenninger , a 25 @-@ year @-@ old first @-@ time U @-@ boat commander . Wenninger was only in command of UB @-@ 11 for a week . Sources do not indicate who , if anyone , succeeded him as commander of UB @-@ 11 , or if UB @-@ 11 remained in commission .

According to authors R. H. Gibson and Maurice Prendergast , UB @-@ 11 had been assigned to

the Kiel Periscope School by September 1915 . Uboat.net reports that UB @-@ 11 ' undertook no war patrols and had no successes against enemy ships , which may indicate that the vessel remained in use only as a training vessel .

At the end of the war , the Allies required all German U @-@ boats to be sailed to Harwich for surrender . UB @-@ 11 was one of eight U @-@ boats deemed unseaworthy and allowed to remain in Germany . UB @-@ 11 was broken up by Stinnes on 3 February 1920 .