

= SM U @-@ 11 (Austria @-@ Hungary) =

SM U @-@ 11 or U @-@ XI was a U @-@ 10 @-@ class submarine in 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 @-@ 15 .

SM UB @-@ 15 was constructed in Germany and shipped by rail to Pola , where she was assembled and launched . She was commissioned into the German Imperial Navy in April and sank an Italian submarine in June . The boat was handed over to Austria @-@ Hungary and commissioned as SM U @-@ 11 on 14 June . In early 1916 , U @-@ 11 fired on a British submarine , but missed . After the end of the war , U @-@ 11 was handed over to Italy as a war reparation and scrapped at Pola by 1920 .

= = Design and construction = =

U @-@ 11 was a small coastal submarine that displaced 127 tonnes (125 long tons) surfaced and 141 tonnes (139 long tons) submerged . She featured a single shaft , a single 60 bhp (45 kW) Körting diesel engine for surface running , and a single 120 shp (89 kW) electric motor for submerged travel . U @-@ 11 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 @-@ 11 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 @-@ 11 ? a former German boat ? was fitted with one , or if it was , retained it in Austro @-@ Hungarian service . In October 1916 , U @-@ 11 's armament was supplemented with a 66 mm / 18 (2 @-@ 6 in) gun .

UB @-@ 15 was laid down on 9 November 1914 at AG Weser in Bremen . The submarine was shipped by rail in sections to Pola , where the sections were riveted together . There is no known surviving record of how long it took for UB @-@ 15 's sections to be assembled . However , a similar ship (UB @-@ 3) was built in two weeks .

= = Operational history = =

= = = UB @-@ 15 = = =

SM UB @-@ 15 was commissioned into the German Imperial Navy under the command of Oberleutnant zur See Heino von Heimburg on 11 April . An Austro @-@ Hungarian Navy officer was assigned to the boat for piloting and training purposes . On 10 June , UB @-@ 15 sank the Italian submarine Medusa for a loss of 245 tons off Porto di Piave Vecchia in the Northern Adriatic . Like all Type UB I and U @-@ 10 class submarines , UB @-@ 15 was equipped with compensating tanks designed to flood and offset the loss of one of the 1 @-@ 700 @-@ pound (770 kg) C / 06 torpedoes . However , they did not always function correctly ; when firing from periscope depth the boat could broach after firing or , if too much weight was taken on , plunge to the depths . When UB @-@ 15 torpedoed and sank Medusa , the tank failed to properly compensate , forcing all of the crewmen to run to the stern to offset the trim imbalance and prevent the ship from sinking .

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On 18 June , UB @-@ 15 was handed over to the Austro @-@ Hungarian Navy and commissioned as U @-@ 11 under the command of Linien-schiffsleutnant Ludwig Eberhardt . U @-@ 11 retained its German crew until 18 June 1916 , when they were replaced by an all Austro @-@ Hungarian one . In early 1916 , U @-@ 11 unsuccessfully attacked the British submarine B8 in the Gulf of Fiume .

U @-@ 11 sank no ships in her Austro @-@ Hungarian service , and was handed over to Italy as a war reparation and scrapped at Pola by 1920 .

= = Summary of raiding history = =