

such new construction may, except as otherwise provided in Article VIII and in the tables in Section II of this Part, be laid down not earlier than seventeen years from the date of completion of the tonnage to be replaced; provided, however, that no capital-ship tonnage, with the exception of the ships referred to in the third paragraph of Article II, and the replacement tonnage specifically mentioned in Section II of this Part, shall be laid down until ten years from the 12th November, 1921.

(b.) Each of the contracting Powers shall communicate promptly to each of the other contracting Powers the following information :—

- (1.) The names of the capital ships and aircraft-carriers to be replaced by new construction :
- (2.) The date of governmental authorization of replacement tonnage :
- (3.) The date of laying the keels of replacement tonnage :
- (4.) The standard displacement in tons and metric tons of each new ship to be laid down, and the principal dimensions—namely, length at water-line, extreme beam at or below water-line, mean draft at standard displacement :
- (5.) The date of completion of each new ship, and its standard displacement in tons and metric tons, and the principal dimensions—namely, length at water-line, extreme beam at or below water-line, mean draft at standard displacement, at time of completion.

(c.) In case of loss or accidental destruction of capital ships or aircraft-carriers, they may immediately be replaced by new construction, subject to the tonnage limits prescribed in Articles IV and VII, and in conformity with the other provisions of the present Treaty, the regular replacement programme being deemed to be advanced to that extent.

(d.) No retained capital ships or aircraft-carriers shall be reconstructed except for the purpose of providing means of defence against air and submarine attack, and subject to the following rules : The contracting Powers may, for that purpose, equip existing tonnage with bulge or blister or anti-air-attack deck protection, providing the increase of displacement thus effected does not exceed 3,000 tons (3,048 metric tons) displacement for each ship. No alterations in side armour, in calibre, number or general type of mounting of main armament, shall be permitted except—

- (1.) In the case of France and Italy, which countries, within the limits allowed for bulge, may increase their armour protection and the calibre of the guns now carried on their existing capital ships so as not to exceed 16 inches (406 millimetres); and
- (2.) The British Empire shall be permitted to complete, in the case of the “Renown,” the alterations to armour that have already been commenced but temporarily suspended.

SECTION II.—REPLACEMENT AND SCRAPPING OF CAPITAL SHIPS.

United States.

Year.	Ships laid down.	Ships completed.	Ships scrapped (Age in Parentheses).	Ships retained : Summary.	
				Pre-Jutland.	Post-Jutland.
..	..	..	Maine (20), Missouri (20), Virginia (17), Nebraska (17), Georgia (17), New Jersey (17), Rhode Island (17), Connecticut (17), Louisiana (17), Vermont (16), Kansas (16), Minnesota (16), New Hampshire (15), South Carolina (13), Michigan (13), Washington (0), South Dakota (0), Indiana (0), Montana (0), North Carolina (0), Iowa (0), Massachusetts (0), Lexington (0), Constitution (0), Constellation (0), Saratoga (0), Ranger (0), United States (0)*	17	1
1922	..	A, B†	Delaware (12), North Dakota (12) ..	15	3
1923	..	..	..	15	3
1924	..	..	..	15	3
1925	..	..	..	15	3
1926	..	..	..	15	3
1927	..	..	..	15	3
1928	..	..	..	15	3
1929	..	..	..	15	3
1930	..	..	..	15	3
1931	C, D	..	..	15	3
1932	E, F	..	..	15	3
1933	G	..	..	15	3
1934	H, I	C, D	Florida (23), Utah (23), Wyoming (22) ..	12	5
1935	J	E, F	Arkansas (23), Texas (21), New York (21) ..	9	7
1936	K, L	G	Nevada (20), Oklahoma (20) ..	7	8
1937	M	H, I	Arizona (21), Pennsylvania (21) ..	5	10
1938	N, O	J	Mississippi (21) ..	4	11
1939	P, Q	K, L	New Mexico (21), Idaho (20) ..	2	13
1940	..	M	Tennessee (20) ..	1	14
1941	..	N, O	California (20), Maryland (20) ..	0	15
1942	..	P, Q	Two ships West Virginia class ..	0	15

* The United States may retain the “Oregon” and “Illinois” for non-combatant purposes, after complying with the provisions of Part 2, III (b).

† Two “West Virginia” class.

NOTE.—A, B, C, D, &c., represent individual capital ships of 35,000 tons standard displacement laid down and completed in the years specified.