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LIST OF VESSELS ARRANGED ACCORDING TO CLASSIFICATION.

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* Approximate.

† Gross register tons.

LIST OF VESSELS.

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List of Vessels.

Table with columns: Name, Date of Launch, Displacement, Name, Date of Launch, Displacement. Categories include Torpedo Boat Destroyers, Submarines, Gunboats, Mining Vessels, Submarine Depot Ships, Fishery Protection Vessel, Imperial Yachts, Raiders, Repair Ship, Fleet Tender, Training Ships, Miscellaneous, and Surveying Vessel.

* Approximate.

† Gross register tons.

‡ Shown also under Armed and other Auxiliaries.

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MEMORANDUM AS TO THE COLLECTION OF FURTHER INFORMATION.

Every opportunity should be taken by Officers to verify and supplement the information contained herein.

The attention of Officers is called to the following table of headings, which is given as a guide to the details required to complete the description of a ship, so that as much further information as possible may be obtained and transmitted to the Admiralty at the earliest opportunity.

TABLE OF HEADINGS.

General Remarks: (State if fitted as flagship).

Complement.

Berthing:

General description of berthing of Officers and Men.—Description of messing arrangements, mess-traps, galleys.—System of preparing and cooking meals.

Accommodation:

General description of accommodation of officers. Description of furniture in messes and cabins.

General Appearance:

See Photograph Book. Note any alteration in appearance. A correct photograph forwarded for the Foreign War Vessels photograph book, if the present one is out of date.

General Dimensions, &c.:

Table with columns for dimensions (Ft., Ins.) and load (Tons). Rows include: Length between perpendiculars (extreme), Breadth, extreme (of hull), Metacentric height at draught, Freeboard, forward at aft at, Height of axis of guns, forward at aft at masthead, at, Range of stability at, Load displacement (Full load), Draught at load displacement, maximum (mean, full load, mean), Tons, per inch immersion.

Weights:

Table of weights in Tons. Rows include: Hull, Equipment, Armour, Armament, Machinery, Coal, oil fuel, water, stores, Total, Coal, Oil fuel, Details of coal and oil fuel stowage, mentioning any special arrangements for transport of coal in bunkers.

Masts:

Table with columns: Type, Number, Height, Control tops—Description, Height, Search-light platforms—Height and Number, If armoured or not.

Derricks and Cranes:

Table with columns: Position, Number, Tested load, For what purpose fitted.

Fire Flooding and Draining System:

Table with columns: General Description, Size of pipes and capacity of pumps.

Carbon Dioxide System:

State if fitted or not; if fitted, to what compartment, and from where it is controlled.

Compressed Air System:

Is this fitted to expel water from compartments below protective deck?

Ventilation:

Complete description of system. Mentioning any heating and cooling arrangements for living spaces.

Coaling Arrangements:

Type and description of machinery installed for this purpose.

Magazine Cooling Machinery:

Type of apparatus, and temperatures to which it is designed to maintain magazine.

Anchors and Cables:

Table with columns: Number, Weight and position of stowage of anchors, Cable—Size and length, Capstans and cable holder—Description.

Towing Arrangements:

Description of arrangements made for towing—being towed.

Hull:

Table with columns: Material, Constructive details.—Give as much information as possible on the construction of the ship, Anti-rolling tanks.—Number, Bilge keels.—Whether fitted, Position, Description.

Armour:

Table with columns: Material, Thickness and dimensions of all armour is required, Belt.— Citadel or Upper Belt.— Main Battery.— Screens.—Whether fitted between guns, thickness, &c. Funnel casing protection.—Whether fitted, Transverse bulkheads.—

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Description. Position.

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Description. No. Position.
Plant for generating Hydraulic Power.—

Description. Position.

SPEED, TRIALS, &C.

	Speed.	Revs.	H. P.	Coal Consumption per Day for all Purposes.	Endurance.	Remarks.
	Knots.	No.		Tons.	Miles.	
As designed.....						
Max. speed on trial.....						
Sea-going full speed.....						
At 10 knots.....						

SEA-GOING PERFORMANCES.

Date.	Draught of Water.	Displacement.	Duration.	Speed, Mean.	H. P. Mean.	Steam pressures.		Revolutions, Mean.	Coal Consumption.		Fuel used.
						At Engines.	At Boilers.		Per Hour per H. P.	Per Day for all Purposes.	
	Ft. ins.	Tons.	Hours.	Knots.		Lbs.	Lbs.	No.	Lbs.	Tons.	

Consumption of coal for all purposes per day in harbour, " " " " " exclusive of distilling, Tons.

TABLE OF NAVAL ORDNANCE.

The data in this table is mainly derived from Krupp's published tables, and should therefore be accepted with reserve. For fuller details concerning ammunition, see the table of ammunition on Part IV., Section 2.

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Table of Naval Ordnance.

Calibre and Model.	Guns.			Ammunition.				Ballistics.			Remarks.		
	Exact Calibre.	Total Weight.	Length.	Charge.		Projectile.		Muzzle Velocity.	Muzzle Energy.	Muzzle Penetration, W. I.			
				Weight.	Powder.	Nature.	Total Weight.					Burster.	
	Ins.	Tons.	Ft. Ins.	Calrs.	Lbs.			Lbs.	Lbs.	f. s.	Ft.-Tons.	Ins.	
15-in. (38.1 cm.) L/45.....	15	75 (?)	52 6	50	331.3 (?)			1,675 (?)		2,760 (?)			
12-in. (30.5 cm.) Q. F. L/50.	12	52.2 (?)	52 6	50	273.4		See Table of Ammunition			2,800 (?)			In "Thüringen" and "Kaiser" classes and "Derfflinger."
11-in. (28 cm.) B. L., L/35.	11.02	43.0	32 1	32.0	317 212	P.P. C/85	Steel A.P. shell	529	Nil	2,247	18,520	28.0	
11-in. (28 cm.) B. L., L/40.	11.02	43.3	36 6	37.0	115 108	R.P. C/00	Steel A.P. shell	529	Nil	2,313	19,630	28.9	
11-in. (28 cm.) Q. F., L/40.	11.02	38.2	36 8	37		R.P. C/98	C. I. Common	531	15.4				
11-in. (28 cm.) Q. F., L/45.	11.02	37	41 9	43						2,700			
11-in. (28 cm.) Q. F., L/50.	11.02						See Table of Ammunition			2,821			In "Nassau" class and "Von der Tann."
9.4-in. (24 cm.) B. L., L/35.	9.45	21.6	27 7	32.0			H. E. Common	474	7.49	2,263	16,830	28.9	In "Moltke" and "Seydlitz."
9.4-in. (24 cm.) Q. F., L/40.	9.45	25.2	31 4	36.9			See Table of Ammunition			2,739	16,090	31.1	
8.2-in. (21 cm.) Q. F., L/40.	8.24	15.7	27 6	37						2,526			
8.2-in. (21 cm.) Q. F., L/40.	8.24	19.9	30 11	42			See Table of Ammunition						In "Blucher" only.
6.7-in. (17 cm.) Q. F. L/40.	6.69	7.8	22 3	37.7			See Table of Ammunition			2,726	7,365	24.8	
5.9-in. (15 cm.) Q. F. L/35.	5.87	4.4	17 2	32.0	15.8	R.P. C/00	Capped A. P. shot	SS		2,231	3,038	15.4	
5.9-in. (15 cm.) Q. F. L/40.	5.87	4.7	19 6	37	16.3	R.P. C/98	C. I. Common	SS	2.8				
5.9-in. (15 cm.) Q. F. L/40.	5.87						Shrapnel						
5.9-in. (15 cm.) Q. F. L/40.	5.87						Star shell						
5.9-in. (15 cm.) Q. F. L/45.	5.87						See Table of Ammunition	SS		2,624	4,207	19.7	In "Nassau," &c.
5.9-in. (10.5 cm.) Q. F. L/50.							also Star shell						
5.1-in. (13 cm.) Q. F.													
4.1-in. (10.5 cm.) Q. F. L/35.	4.13	1.1	11 10	32.3						2,001	1,055		
4.1-in. (10.5 cm.) Q. F. L/40.	4.13	1.7	13 9	37.2			See Table of Ammunition			2,296	1,390		
4.1-in. (10.5 cm.) Q. F. L/45.	4.13						also Star shell						In "Breslau" class. Automatic B. M.
4.1-in. (10 cm.) Q. F. L/50.													
3.5-in. 22-pr. (8.8 cm.) Q. F. L/30.	3.46	.5	8 7	27.1			H. E. Common	22	3.13	1,936		1.97	New T. B. D. and submarine gun.
3.5-in. 22-pr. (8.8 cm.) Q. F. L/45.	3.46						See Table of Ammunition						Semi-automatic gun.
3.5-in. 15-pr. (8.8 cm.) Q. F. L/30.	3.46						also Star shell						T. B. and older T. B. D. gun.
3.5-in. 15-pr. (8.8 cm.) Q. F. L/35.	3.46	1.34	10 1	32.1						2,461			
7-pr. (6 cm.) Bts. B. L. L/21.	2.36	Lbs. 238	4 1	18.6	0.88	Grob. K. P.	C. I. Ring Shell	6.6	0.15	1,168			Boat and field guns.
7-pr. (6 cm.) Q. F. L/21.	2.36		4 1	18.6	0.24	W.P.C/89	C. I. Ring Shell	6.6	0.15				
4-pr. (5.2 cm.) Q. F. L/55.	2.05	860	9 5	52			C. I. Common	3.8		2,789	205		
4-pr. (5 cm.) Q. F. L/40.	1.97	529	6 6	36.6	0.86	R.P. C/00	C. I. Common	3.8	Oz. 0.9	2,165	124		
4-pr. (5 cm.) Q. F. L/55.	1.97							3.8					
1-pr. (3.7 cm.) Maxim automatic.	1.46	416	6 2		Oz. 1.5		Common	1.0	0.4	1,800	22		
31-in. (8 mm.) Maxim automatic.	0.311												Rifle calibre M. G.

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FLEET STRENGTH.

Before the war the full strength of the German Fleet had been fixed at— 41 battleships, 20 large cruisers, 40 small cruisers, 144 destroyers, 72 submarines } by the 1912 Amendment Law to the Fleet Law of 1900. The number of gunboats and special ships was not fixed. This strength was to be attained as follows:—

PRE-WAR PROGRAMME OF CONSTRUCTION.

Until the fleet had attained the established strength, the programme of construction was to consist of (1) the additional vessels required to bring it up to full strength, and (2) the vessels built to replace those which have reached the legal limit. After it had been attained, the programme, in theory, was to become one of replacement only. As regards (1)—The following additional ships had still to be laid down to complete the fleet to establish strength:—

- 1 battleship "U" in 1916, 1 small cruiser "P" in 1917, 1 battleship "V", 2 small cruisers "Q" and "R" included in the programme below. As regards (2)—According to Clause 2 of the Fleet Law, battleships, large and small cruisers, except in case of loss, were to be replaced after 20 years, this replaced to the granting of the first instalment of the ship to be elucidation, it was stated in the Amendment Bill of 1908, that the (actual) "replacement" of a ship does not take place when the first instalment of the substitute ship is granted, but when the substitute ship is completed and commissioned. The life of destroyers† and submarines‡ was taken to be 12 years, but was not legally fixed.

Excluding gunboats and other special ships, the programme of construction followed from 1897-98 to 1913-14, and that to be followed in accordance with an appendix to the 1912 Fleet Law Amendment Bill from 1914-15 to 1917-18 inclusive, was as follows:—

Table with columns: Financial Year, Battle-ships, Large Cruisers, Small Cruisers, Torpedo Boats (i. e. Destroyers). Rows show years from 1897-98 to 1917-18.

* Including one additional ship.

No special programme of construction had been drawn up for the period after 1917-18.

The exact number of submarines laid down each year is not known, but 29 submarines in all were completed between 1906 (U. 1) and August 1914. A tabular statement of battleships, large and small cruisers built, building, or to be built up to full strength, is given on next page.

† Memorandum accompanying Navy Estimates, 1906. ‡ Argument to the 1912 Amendment Bill to the Fleet Law of 1900.

Note 1.—In regard to the columns headed "Construction," where a letter follows a ship's name, or appears alone, the ship is additional to those in the first column which were reckoned towards the Established Strength in Appendix A. to the Fleet Law of 1900, where a ship's name only is given, or is preceded by the word Ersatz the ship is in replacement of the ship opposite it in the first column. Note 2.—Ships in italics had been removed from the effective list before outbreak of war. Note 3.—Dates in italics are dates of launch.

Large table with columns: Battleships, Large Cruisers, Small Cruisers. Rows list ship names, construction dates, and replacement details.

* The date of laying down this additional ship, sanctioned by the 1912 Amendment to the Fleet Law, was not fixed at outbreak of war. † The date of laying down these two additional ships, sanctioned by the 1912 Amendment to the Fleet Law, was not fixed at outbreak of war. ‡ Sold to Turkey in 1910.

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CONSTRUCTION AND LOSSES DURING THE WAR.

It may be of interest to compare the figures given at the top of page 18, which were to be attained at some date subsequent to 1920, with the actual known strength of the German fleet in June 1917.

The figures for June 1917, excluding vessels outside the age limit, are as follows:—

Thirty-six battleships, including three vessels of the *Kaiser Friedrich* class, which are of no practical fighting value.

Seven large cruisers, viz., five battle cruisers and two cruisers, one of the latter being negligible as a modern fighting unit.

Thirty-two small cruisers.

About 150 destroyers.

About 160 submarines of all classes, including five of no fighting value, which serve for instructional purposes.

It will thus be seen that the number of battleships and large and small cruisers still falls considerably short of the intended standard; this is, of course, partly due to the losses sustained during the war, particularly in the case of cruisers, as is shown below.

On the other hand, the number of destroyers is slightly, and the number of submarines very much, in excess of the prescribed strength; great activity having been displayed in the construction of submarines throughout the war, and in the construction of destroyers during the first two years of it.

All the battleships, battle cruisers, and light cruisers authorised under the pre-war programme of construction, have been laid down on or before their appointed dates. In the case of smaller light cruisers of the *Brummer* type, not contemplated in the pre-war programme, have been laid down. These last-named vessels, though essentially light cruisers in general design, speed, and armament; are specially adapted for minelaying, and therefore in this book are designated minelaying cruisers.

The rate of construction for capital ships and light cruisers has been, almost without exception, slower than the peace rate, although not greatly so.

The following are (June 1917) the figures of losses and newly completed ships since August 1914:—

	Lost.	Added.	Increase or Decrease.
Battleships.....	1		
Battle cruisers.....	1	4*	+3
Cruisers.....	6	2†	+1
Light cruisers.....	17	15‡	-6
			-2

*Two *Königs*, two *Bayerns*.
†*Lützow* and *Hindenburg*.
‡Includes four *Brummers*.

EXPENDITURE ON NEW NAVAL CONSTRUCTION AND ARMAMENTS.

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Financial Year.	Amounts voted for New Construction, including Armaments.
	£
1890-91.....	1,844,712
1891-92.....	1,734,900
1892-93.....	1,412,935
1893-94.....	1,363,945
1894-95.....	972,930
1895-96.....	1,062,535
1896-97.....	1,252,340
1897-98.....	2,454,400
1898-99.....	2,565,600
1899-1900.....	2,832,750
1900-01.....	3,401,907
1901-02.....	4,653,423
1902-03.....	4,662,769
1903-04.....	4,388,748
1904-05.....	4,275,489
1905-06.....	4,720,206
1906-07.....	5,167,319
1907-08.....	5,910,959
1908-09.....	7,795,499
1909-10.....	10,177,062
1910-11.....	11,392,856
1911-12.....	11,710,859
1912-13.....	11,491,187*
1913-14.....	11,010,883†
1914-15.....	10,316,264‡

* Includes 97,847l. for airships and experiments with airships.
† Includes 291,096l. for airships and experiments with airships.
‡ Amount proposed, includes 431,403l. for airships and experiments with airships

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Accommodation.—The following detailed information is derived from a German official publication, and is believed to apply to the earlier German Dreadnoughts. In general it may be stated that the accommodation in German vessels appears, as a rule, more crowded than in British vessels of a similar class. This is due mainly to the larger complements carried, and is partly counteracted by the neat and convenient arrangements for stowage of clothes, bedding, etc., and by the manner in which every available space is utilized.

Description of Accommodation.	Accommodation provided.	Remarks.
CABINS.*		
Admiral commanding Squadron or Division.	1 reception and dining room..... 1 day cabin. 1 sleeping cabin. 1 bathroom with closet.	Cabins leading as far as possible from one to another; preferably on starboard side of the ship where the cabins do not occupy the whole breadth of the ship. In flagships a special captain's mess is not fitted. In flagships with squadron staff only.
Captain.....	Do.....	
Chief of Staff.....	1 day cabin..... 1 sleeping cabin. 1 bathroom with closet.	In as quiet a place as possible on the upper deck, and well lighted.
Executive Officer.....	1 day cabin..... 1 sleeping cabin. (In small cruisers, a single larger cabin only.)	The cabins on the upper deck are primarily for the Navigating Officer, Gunnery Officer, and Staff Surgeon. The bunks are placed amidships.
Officers: Navigating, Gunnery, Torpedo Officers, Watchkeepers, Adjutant, Surgeons, Engineers, Fleet Constructor, Paymaster, Chaplain.	1 cabin each.....	With double bunk or sofa bunk for 2.
Sub-Lieutenants: (For every 2 Sub-Lieutenants).	1 cabin as above, or an enclosed living space (berth) and washplace combined.	All officers' cabins are to be adequately lighted by natural light.
Disposable: (For the use of supernumeraries: Constructor, Assistant Constructor, Reserve Officers, Umpires at manoeuvres, &c.).	1 cabin with 2 bunks; in small cruisers with 1 bunk.	
Squadron or Division Staff: Flag-Lieutenant, Engineer, Paymaster, Chaplain, Signal Officer, Admiralty Staff Officer, Surgeon, Judge-Advocate, and Secretary.	1 cabin each.....	Flag-Lieutenants' and Signal Officers' cabins are to be as close as possible to the fore bridge. Admiral's Secretary's cabin next to the Admiral's office.
Warrant Officers: Senior Chief E. R. Warrant Officer, Gunner, Navigating Warrant Officer, Boatswain, Storekeeper, Pumpmaster, Master-at-Arms, Carpenter.	1 cabin each.....	In flagships a cabin is provided for the bandmaster as well if there is sufficient space. If not, he is accommodated with the carpenter.

* Officers' cabins are fitted for steam-heating. The bunks, wherever possible, are placed away from the ship's side against the inner fore-and-aft bulkhead. Floor space in general 8' 4" long and 8' 3" wide. Height 6' 7" to 7'. The walls and partitions are of steel and are covered with an insulating material.

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Warrant Officers— <i>contd.</i> The rest of the warrant officers borne as part complement: for every 2 W. O.s.	1 cabin.....	If necessary 3 Warrant Officers may occupy 1 cabin.
Cooks and stewards..... If more than 4 are allowed in complement.	1 cabin..... 2 cabins.....	
BATHROOMS AND WASH-PLACES.		
Officer commanding Squadron, Division, or Flotilla, Chief of Staff, Captain.	1 bathroom each, with fixed bath and shower-bath, adjoining the sleeping cabin.	When there is lack of space, a common bathroom is provided for the Captain and the Chief of Staff.
Members of the Officers' Mess.	2 in battleships and large cruisers (including 1 for the engineers);—in other ships 1 bathroom as above.	
Midshipmen and Cadets...	In training ships, as large a room as possible, with shower-baths and hand basins (1 for every 2 cadets, and 1 bath partitioned off).	If there is not enough space for the provision of a separate bathroom with fixed bath, the midshipmen are to make use of the bath accommodation provided for members of the Officers' Mess.
Members of Warrant Officers' Mess.	Bathroom, with separate shower-baths for one-third of the complement of W. O.s of the engine room personnel.	With partition—the height of a man—seat, 3 cupboards, and waterproof curtains. In the larger ships, if there is space, a second bathroom with bath may be provided for the other Warrant Officers also.
Other Engine-room ratings.	Bathroom with washing and shower-bath arrangements for at least one-sixth to one-third of the ratings of the engineering branch, 1 shower for every 2-3 men, and 1 hand basin for each man.	These rooms have two entrances. Half the showers and all hand basins have fresh-water supply, two-thirds of the showers salt-water supply. Partition for P. O.s, 5 ft. high.
Remainder of the ship's company.	Joint use of the bathrooms for ratings of the engineering branch.	In addition, in suitable places 2 to 10 hand basins, each with a tap from fresh-water supply, and a few shower-baths with fresh-water supply and drainage, are provided.
SICK BAY.....		Situation must be light and airy. Entrance at least 3½ ft. broad. Battleships and large cruisers are provided with swinging cots for 1.5 per cent., small cruisers for 2 per cent. of complement. Floor space for each swinging cot is at least 53¼ sq. ft.; and there is an interval of at least 17½ in. between 2 cots, so that they can swing 20 degrees either side. Bathroom close to sick bay with bath and shower-bath, fresh-water supply and heating apparatus.
DISPENSARY.....		As near as possible to the sick bay. In ships with complement of 100 and over, at least 8½ ft. deep, 8½ ft. broad, with regulation fittings. Must be easily accessible at night, light and airy. Small ships are fitted with a cupboard for medicines and surgical dressings, or carry a medicine chest only.

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DRESSING STATION.....		In battleships and large cruisers, 21½ ft. long, 14 ft. broad, without hatchways, and in addition a gangway at least 5 ft. broad. Behind armour, cool, easily accessible, and as far as possible, enclosed. Near well-protected and airy spaces which are suitable for accommodating wounded. Space for depositing 10 per cent. of the complement. Hatchways and doors for transport, 4½ ft. x 2½ ft. Other ships, in so far as they possess dispensaries, are provided with a surgical dressing cupboard in a protected position. 2 operating tables, 6½ ft. x 2½ ft., with a 7½ ft. gangway between. At the free ends and sides a space at least 2 ft. wide. Arrangements are fitted for lighting, ventilation, water supply and drainage.
CELLS.....	Battleships, 3-4. Large cruisers, 3. Small cruisers, 1.	Contain plank bed with hinged table. Must not be near the engine rooms, and must be well ventilated.
DRYING ROOMS.....	43 sq. ft. floor space in all ships for every 50 men. Existing sources of heat to be utilised if possible. If the room is used for other purposes as well, e. g., as a sleeping place, double the floor space must be provided.	Ceilings and free walls at sides to be insulated with cork. With a temperature on deck of 14° F., the temperature in the drying room can be raised to from 63° to 72° F. Artificial ventilation.
WIRELESS ROOM.....		In battleships and large cruisers, behind armour; in small cruisers, on the upper deck aft. Floor space at least 8½ x 8½ ft. Height 7½ ft. Door on after side and to open outwards. Position to be chosen with reference to the most favourable lead for the wires using both masts. Ventilation, heating, and insulation of the walls to be provided. A table against 2 or 3 walls 31½ ins. in breadth and the same in height.
CUPBOARDS AND LOCKERS: Cadets' cupboards.....	A number corresponding to the midshipmen, naval cadets, or engineer aspirants in complement.	Of galvanised iron. In or outside the mess. The cupboards are about 6 ft. high, 2 ft. 6 ins. wide and 1 ft. 6 ins. deep and are built into the ship. They are neat and serviceable, and there is sufficient room for kit and all effects.
Clothes lockers.....	Corresponding to the numbers sleeping in hammocks, together with a small number as spare. Each with 2 compartments side by side—17.7" high x 12.7" wide x 19.7" deep for clothes. 17.7" high x 7.3" wide x 19.7" deep for boots. A movable shelf divides each of the compartments into 2 parts, 8" high (above) and 9½" (below). For the established number of engine-room personnel, plus 20 spare for battleships, 14 for large cruisers, 10 for small cruisers. Divided into 2 compartments by a horizontal shelf of thin iron sheeting—17.7 x 13.8 x 7.9 ins. (below). 17.7 x 13.8 x 5.9 ins. (above).	Of galvanised iron. In the same compartment as the mess tables if possible, but in any case on the same deck. Each locker has a thin iron door which is padlocked. The lockers are numbered with brass letters. They are built into the ship, and extend from the deck to a height of about 5 to 6 ft. They are fitted into any available space, there being a great saving of space as compared with bags and bag racks.
Stokers' lockers for dirty clothes. (These are in addition to the clothes lockers previously mentioned.)		Of galvanised iron. Outside the bathroom or in the bathroom (above the hand basins).

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Alarm Bells.—In all modern vessels, alarm bells for use in night defence are fitted outside officers' cabins and on the mess decks.

Anchors, Capstans, and Chain Cables.—ANCHORS.—Hall's stockless anchors are carried almost exclusively by all larger vessels.

Admiralty pattern anchors are used in river gunboats, torpedo boats, and generally in destroyers.

Bower Anchors.—Two are carried by all larger vessels—destroyers carry one only.

Sheet Anchor.—A sheet anchor is supplied, as a rule, to battleships and battle cruisers only.

Stern Anchor.—Almost all ships carry one—destroyers and torpedo boats excepted. Whenever possible, the stern anchor (stockless) is carried in a stern hawse-pipe in the centre line of the ship ready for letting go instantly.

Kedge Anchors.—Are supplied to cruisers and light cruisers only.

CAPSTANS.—Baxter capstans are usually fitted. In large ships there are two on the fore-castle before the turret and one on the quarterdeck. In addition in later ships one warping capstan, worked by the capstan engine, is fitted on the fore-castle and another on the quarter-deck.

CHAIN CABLES.—Each cable of 1.53 ins. thickness and over consists of 9 shackles; if under 1.53 ins. of 7 shackles. A shackle is 82 ft. long. 18 shackles are carried for the bower anchors and 3 as spare. Where no chain cable is supplied for the stern anchor, the heaviest steel hawser carried is utilised instead.

Full Load Displacement of Ship. Tons (British).	Anchor.			Chain Cable for Bower Anchor.
	Bower.	Stern.	Kedge.	
	Weight in Tons.			Thickness in inches.
1,480—2,460.....	2			
2,460—3,440.....	2.5	.7		
3,440—4,430.....	3	.9	.25	1.65
4,430—5,900.....	3.5	1.1	.3	1.77
5,900—7,380.....	4	1.3	.3	1.89
7,380—8,860.....	4.5	1.6	.4	2.00
8,860—10,330.....	5	1.85	.5	2.13
10,330—12,300.....	5.5	2.1	.6	2.24
12,300—14,760.....	6	2.4	.7	2.36
14,760—18,210.....	6.5	2.7	.7	2.36
18,210—22,150.....	7	3.1	.8	2.48
22,150—26,570.....	7.5	3.5	.8	2.60
26,570—32,480.....	8	3.75	.9	2.71
		4	.9	2.83
			1.0	2.95

Armour, &c.—General disposition of side armour and under-water protection in Dread-nought battleships and battle cruisers:

The system of armouring is that of a closed caisson extending between the extreme turrets, the main side armour being closed transversely at the ends by vertical armoured bulkheads. Beyond the caisson, the armour is continued to bow and stern by armour of lesser thickness.

The under-water protection against torpedoes and mines consists of (a) protective coal bunkers; and (b) a closed caisson, of the same length as the principal belt, formed by a torpedo protection bulkhead on each side, and a transverse bulkhead connecting the ends forward and aft.

The best description available of the armour and other protection in a German capital ship is that given for the battle-cruiser *Scydlitz*. The details there given may be accepted as absolutely authentic.

An equally reliable, though less detailed, description is that given for the *Derfflinger* (see Section 2, Battleships, &c.). It should be noted that in this vessel the under-water protection has been augmented by (c) supply bunkers on the inner side of the torpedo protection bulkhead.

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Boats.

Table with columns: Dimensions (Length, Breadth, Depth), Weights (Hull, Machinery, Equipment, Fuel, Total), Engines or Motors, Boilers, Speed, Cost, excluding equipment, Numbers that can be carried in moderate weather with all stores on board. Rows include Motor Boats, Pulling Launch, Steamboat, Naphtha Boat, Pulling Boats, Pinnace, Cutter, Gig, Jolly Boat, Skiff-dinghy, Whaler, Boat for T. B. D.'s and T. B.'s.

*Admiral's boat.

†Carvel built.

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Boats during Action.—When going to sea in expectation of an action, modern battleships and battle cruisers leave all their boats in harbour.

Motor Boats.—These have very largely replaced steam boats, but there appears to be no present intention of doing away with the latter entirely, more especially on foreign stations (Bremen) one gig has been replaced by a small motor boat for the Captain's use, run by two men in order to economise in men and thus not interfere with gun drill. They are very lightly built and would probably not stand rough work, such as towing targets, sweeping, &c. The class "A" boats are fast in smooth water, but are reported soon to lose their speed in a seaway.

In most of the boats either benzine or benzol is used as fuel, but it is stated alcohol may be used alternatively.

Scale of Boats allowed.

Table with columns: Class and Type of Ship, Ship's Displacement, Motor Boats (No., Class), Steam Boats (No., Class), Pulling Boats (Länneh, Pinnace, Cutter, Gig, Jolly Boat, Skiff Dinghy), Total No. of Boats carried. Rows include Battleships (König, Nassau, Deutschland, Braunschweig, Wittelsbach, Kaiser Friedrich, Brandenburg), Battle Cruisers (Derfflinger, von der Tann), Cruisers (Roon, Prinz Heinrich, Fürst Bismarck), Light Cruisers (Stettin, Berlin, Arcona, Gazelle, Hertha, Gefion), Kaiserin Augusta, Special Vessels (Blitz, Schwalbe), Gunboats (Eber, Geier).

Remarks—continued.

This fuel appears formerly to have been stowed below, but since the occurrence of a severe explosion on board the cruiser Yorck, where the receptacles were in a wing or passage alongside the engine-room, it is stowed in safety tanks on the upper deck.

The new fast boats ("Schnellboots") are direct-driven by Diesel motors with mechanical reversing gear, and exhaust by a short funnel. They are 41 feet in length, weigh about 10 tons, and have a speed of 14 knots.

Naphtha Boats.—Are obsolescent.

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Classification.—German war vessels are classified as follows:—

German classification.	Translation.	British classification.
Linienschiffe	Battleships	Battleships.
Küstenpanzerschiffe	Armoured Coast Defence Ships.	Coast defence ships.
Grosse Kreuzer	Large cruisers	Battle cruisers and cruisers.
Kleine Kreuzer	Small cruisers	Light cruisers.
Kanonenboote	Gunboats	Gunboats.
Flusskanonenboote	River gunboats	River gunboats.
Schulschiffe	School ships	Special vessels.
Spezialschiffe	Special ships	
Grosse Torpedoboote	Large torpedo boats	Destroyers and division boats.
Kleine Torpedoboote	Small torpedo boats	Torpedo boats.
Unterseeboote	Submarines	Submarines.

The classification in the last column has been followed as nearly as possible in this publication. The following exceptions are noted.

The five training ships for cadets and boys—*Freya, Hansa, Hertha, Victoria Louise, and Vineta*, as well as the *Kaiserin Augusta*—are classified in the German list as large cruisers whereas in this work they are classified as light cruisers.

The British classification of cruisers (except battle cruisers) was changed on 31st January 1913. Prior to that date:—

Cruisers were termed	Armoured cruisers.
	Protected cruisers 1st class.
	Protected cruisers 2nd class.
	Protected cruisers 3rd class.
Light cruisers were termed	Unprotected cruisers.
	Scouts.

All German ships now classified as cruisers were previously termed armoured cruisers. The present light cruiser list, in addition to vessels previously classified as protected cruisers 2nd class, includes:—

Protected Cruisers 3rd class.

Amazone.	Niobe.
Arcona.	Nymphe.
Gazelle.	Thetis.
Medusa.	

Coaling.—German ships in home waters almost invariably coal from lighters and not from colliers. The best pre-war coaling performance was that of the battleship *Helgoland*, which, usually coal about once a week, taking in, in the case of the *König* class, 700–800 tons at the rate of about 300 tons an hour.

Colour.—With the following exceptions, all German war vessels are painted light grey. Destroyers and torpedo boats are usually painted black, but some modern destroyers are painted grey. Submarines are usually painted grey.

For funnels, see p. 32.

Compasses.—The Anschütz gyro-compass is in extensive use supplemented by liquid compasses.

Cost.—Particulars of the cost of each type of ship will be found in the detailed description of the type.

The cost of ships is shewn in the German Navy Estimates under three broad headings—Shipbuilding, Gun Armament, and Torpedo Armament; the first of these also includes cost of machinery and of trials. It is not clear whether torpedo nets and mines are included under these heads.

For more detailed information regarding cost of Gun Armament, see *Ostfriesland* (Section 2, Battleships, &c.).

The cost of British and German ships is not directly comparable, as in Germany the cost of the reserve ammunition as well as of the first outfit of ammunition is included under the head of Gun Armament. It is not clear whether reserve guns and mountings are also included, but this is probable.

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Before the war money for construction was voted in annual instalments as follows:—

Battleships	} 4 instalments.
Large cruisers	
Small cruisers	3 "
Flotillas (of 12 destroyers)	2 "
Submarines	} A lump sum was voted annually, but the number to be built was not disclosed. The number of instalments varied.
Other vessels	

The instalments voted—the actual expenditure was not published—for the last ships for which complete figures are available, are:—

Instalment.	Battleship "König."				Battle-Cruiser "Derfflinger."			
	Hull, Machinery, &c.	Gun Armament.	Torpedo Armament.	Total.	Hull, Machinery, &c.	Gun Armament.	Torpedo Armament.	Total.
1st	£ 269,080	£ 195,635	£ 14,677	£ 479,452	£ 244,618	£ 146,771	£ 9,785	£ 401,174
2nd	513,699	232,387	21,526	767,612	538,160	134,540	13,699	686,399
3rd	440,313	256,849	14,188	711,350	415,851	256,849	10,763	683,463
4th	244,619	196,184	16,634	457,437	251,957	197,162	13,209	462,328
Totals	1,467,711	881,115	67,025	2,415,851	1,450,586	735,322	47,456	2,233,364

Instalment.	Light Cruiser "Graudenz."				Total for Twelve Destroyers, V 25—S 36.			
	Hull, Machinery, &c.	Gun Armament.	Torpedo Armament.	Total.	Hull, Machinery, &c.	Gun Armament.	Torpedo Armament.	Total.
1st	£ 122,309	£ 24,462	£ 4,892	£ 151,663	£ 489,237	£ 48,924	£ 90,509	£ 628,670
2nd	122,309	24,462	10,763	157,534	479,452	44,031	119,961	643,444
3rd	73,385	24,462	10,763	108,610				
Totals	318,003	73,386	26,418	417,807	968,689	92,955	210,470	1,272,114

Displacement.—The official displacements of German war vessels—excepting destroyers, torpedo boats and submarines—are published in the German Navy List (*Rangliste der Kaiserlichen Marine*) and are quoted in metric tons. This Navy List displacement is the designed load displacement, calculated on the basis of what is called the "normal" stowage of fuel and the "authorised" equipment. The "normal" stowage of fuel is always less than half the maximum stowage—in the case of large vessels very considerably less. In practice, therefore, the designed displacement will almost always be exceeded except when the vessel is very light.

Docking.—Ships in commission are usually docked once a year during their annual refit; but where considerable loss of speed arises through fouling of bottom, they may be docked a second time.

Destroyers and torpedo boats which are regularly, though not necessarily continuously, in commission throughout the year, are docked twice a year and have their bottoms coated. The first docking takes place prior to commissioning, the second at some suitable period whilst in commission.

Powder and filled shell are discharged if a stay of more than eight days in dock is anticipated.

Battleships of *Deutschland* type and earlier, as a rule, are docked with empty upper bunkers, and with at most 600 tons in their lower bunkers. The same applies to cruisers of *Roon* type and earlier, except that they may have 750 tons in their lower bunkers.

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Draught.—The draught quoted in this publication, unless otherwise stated, is the designed draught, *i. e.*, extreme draught at designed load displacement. In practice this draught is almost always exceeded except when the vessel is in a very light condition.

Draught Marks.—Draught marks are applied on both sides of the ship—as a rule forward and aft only; but in ships whose keel takes a convex form, the marks are also applied on both sides above the lowest point of the keel, from which in this case the depth is reckoned. Arabic numerals are used, the lower edge of which marks the depth indicated.

The zero of the after draught marks is reckoned from the horizontal plane passing through the deepest point of the ship aft—keel, sternpost, bottom of rudder, deepest point reached by the propeller, &c.

The zero of the forward draught marks is reckoned from the horizontal plane passing through the deepest part of the keel forward.

In ships of over 100 tons displacement, the figures are 100 mm. (3.9 in.) high and represent decimetres. Even numbers only are affixed, and are carried at least 19.7 in. above the load waterline.

In smaller vessels and torpedo boats the figures are 50 mm. (2 in.) high and are carried at least 9.8 in. above load waterline.

The draught marks in both cases are carried downwards to the draught the vessel will have when placed in II. Reserve, *i. e.*, when ready for commissioning at any time with stores partially on board.

Electric Leads.—In large vessels the lighting circuits are on the ring system, main leads below the armoured deck. Single twin-cored cable is used. The internal lighting is on five main circuits—

- (1)—Forward and above armoured deck;
- (2) and (3)—Space below armoured decks;
- (4)—After section and above armoured deck;
- (5)—Upper deck.

Lighting in charthouse and all fighting positions, *e. g.*, magazines, &c., is fed from two circuits.

Motor circuits are not on the ring system.

The voltage is 220 in modern large vessels, 110 in destroyers and T. B.'s.

Flooding Arrangements.—In modern vessels the arrangements fitted for flooding the magazines are:—

- (a) For quick flooding, pipes in direct communication with the sea.
- (b) For drenching charges and keeping down the temperature of the magazine, pipes are fitted just below the crown of the magazine, perforated with small holes, and supplied with water by means of a small pump.

The magazines can be flooded from within of from a small compartment outside.

Fuel.—*Westphalian Coal* is used for the steam trials of newly built ships, except, perhaps, torpedo craft. It is in general use in all ships in Home Waters, including torpedo craft, after their entry into the fleet.

Tar Oil derived from pit (black) coal is used in the larger German ships fitted to burn oil fuel, except when residual petroleum can be obtained more cheaply. This tar oil is of low viscosity, similar to shale oil, and has a specific gravity of 1.0 to 1.1; the heavier varieties can consequently be flooded in case of fire.

Heavy Oil, as a rule a first distillate of tar oil, specific gravity about 0.9, is used in all but the earliest submarines.

Benzine and **Benzol**, or alternatively **Alcohol**, are used for motor boats.

Funnels.—During the war the peace-time system of painting bands on the funnels appears to have been entirely discarded. On the High Sea Fleet proceeding to sea, the funnels of all the larger vessels and their attendant destroyers are sometimes repainted a special colour. This is done after leaving harbour. Yellow, brown, and blue are the most usual colours.

Furniture.—Almost all furniture of cabins and messes is made of thin steel, and is manufactured, as a rule, in the Imperial Dockyards. In use, this furniture is found to be only slightly liable to rust, but it is not possible to prevent sweating entirely, and the furniture is therefore lined with pegamoid.

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Gas Masks.—Gas masks were just being supplied to the fleet at the time of the battle of Jutland. Sufficient are now carried for every man in the complement.

Magazines.—In all modern battleships, battle cruisers, and light cruisers, the magazines are below the shell rooms, the latter being immediately under the armoured deck.

For magazine cooling arrangements, *see under* "Refrigerating Plant."

Masts.—The heavy fighting masts fitted in pre-Dreadnought battleships and cruisers were abandoned in Dreadnought battleships and battle cruisers, light pole masts being fitted in lieu. The battleships *Kronprinz* and *Grosser Kurfürst* have been given a heavier foremast since the battle of Jutland.

In the cruiser *Blücher* a tripod mast was put in forward with great secrecy in February 1914, but this type of mast was not adopted for any other ships at that time. The new *Bayern* class of battleships and the battle cruiser *Hindenburg*, however, have a tripod foremast, and the battle cruiser *Derfflinger* has also received a tripod foremast since the battle of Jutland.

Mines.—All classes of vessels at times carry mines, but there is no permanent stowage for them in capital ships or light cruisers, except those specially appropriated for minelaying duties, or in surface torpedo craft. Consequently light cruisers and destroyers, when employed as minelayers, cannot efficiently perform their ordinary duties. The number of mines carried by light cruisers varies from 70 to 120.

Net Defence.—Torpedo net defence, fitted in the earliest battleships, but discarded since about 1896, was re-introduced in the form of beam defence in all Dreadnought battleships and battle cruisers. The booms were fitted about 33 ft. apart and the nets were hung double. For further details, *see* Part IV., Section 3. But since the battle of Jutland net defence has again been discarded.

Propellers, &c.—In ships with three propellers, the centre propeller is left-handed whilst the others turn outwards. In ships of the *Kaiser Friedrich* and *Wittelsbach* classes, the outer propeller shafts converge slightly towards the engines, but in the *Braunschweig* and later classes they are parallel.

Refrigerating Plant.—CO₂ plant is used, and is generally placed behind armour. In large ships two sets are sometimes fitted. For magazines and refrigerating rooms a 25 per cent. brine-solution, usually cooled to a temperature of between 28° and 32° F., is used and is pumped through circulating pipes in the compartments in question.

Besides cooling the magazines, the refrigerating plant is also employed for cooling drinking water to 46° F., and the refrigerating room to 28°—32° F.

A motor-driven refrigerating apparatus has recently been introduced.

Searchlights.—In all modern capital ships up to and including the *König* class, eight searchlights are carried, *viz.*, four forward and four aft. In the *Bayern* class, and also in the *Derfflinger*, which is now fitted with a tripod foremast, the searchlights forward are somewhat differently arranged, but apparently the number is unaltered.

In recent ships stowage is provided for all searchlights behind armour, and two spare searchlights are carried.

Under war conditions searchlights are stowed below during the day.

For further details, *see* Part IV., Section 3.

Special smaller searchlights are carried for signalling purposes.

Shades for Electric Lights.—In some of the latest ships blue glass shades are fitted to the lights on the mess decks for night defence purposes. The shades are permanently secured to the light fitting and are made in two halves, which are ordinarily kept clear of the lights, but can be lowered and clamped round them when required.

Signalling.—Great importance was attached before the war to having efficient arrangements for signalling in action. In all modern capital ships, good battle signal stations are fitted on the battery deck. For a description of these stations, *see* *Kaiser* class.

Considerable use is made of searchlights by day and of the short-range wireless set. Mast-head flashing lamps are fitted but are not often used under war conditions. The use of the night signalling apparatus, consisting of 3 or 6 lights, each red, white or green, is also probably very limited in war time, but these lights are used for recognition signals. Capital ships, and probably light cruisers also, in addition have two rings of lights fitted round the foremost funnel, these lights likewise being red, white, and green, and being used for recognition signals.