

Massachusetts State Navy (MSN) Ships December 29th, 1775 to June 4th, 1783

6/12/1775 – In a bloody battle, Massachusetts Naval Forces make the first naval capture of the Revolutionary war using the unarmed Unity to take the HMS Margarettta
10/20/1783 – The British slaver ship Martinico is taken by the Privateer Porus as the last Naval capture of the war 47 days after the war was over

The below table contains a list of Massachusetts State Cruisers/Warships owned, manned, and operated by the colony's regular navy.

	Service	Vessel	Class	Home Port	Date of Acquisition	Location of Launch	Armament	Date of Leaving Service	Notes	Main Data Source
1	MSN	Active	Brigantine		1779		14/4pounders	8/14/1779	Penobscot Bay Expedition. Survived to be captured by HMS Mermaid.	(1 (arv-vol10
2	MSN	Adams	Ship	Boston			N/A		Prison vessel	(arv-vol10
3	MSN	Cambridge River I	Floating Battery	Boston	9/1775	Cambridge			Emergency Cambridge River defense - engaged enemy September 1775	(cnm)
4	MSN	Cambridge River II	Floating Battery	Boston	9/1775	Cambridge			Emergency Cambridge River defense - engaged enemy September 1775	(cnm)
5	MSN	Defense	Sloop of War	Salem	1781		18	1781	Made one cruise and sold Prizes - Sloop Friendship, British Army Transport George, Ship Sally	(1 (cnm)(arv-vol10&6)
6	MSN	Diligent**	Schooner	Machias	8/23/1775	HMS Diligent	5 to 8 deck guns 20 swivels	10/1776	Hired by State even before the forming of the CNM. Discharged	(1 (6 (10
7	MSN	Favourite	Brig				N/A		Prison vessel	(arv-vol10
8	MSN	Freedom	Sloop of War (converted to Brigantine)	Boston	9/4/1776	Swansea	16/6&9pounders	10/1777	captured by HMS Apollo, 20 prizes, 1776-77 raid on England	(1 (CNM)
9	MSN	Harzard	Brigantine		1776		14/6pounders	8/14/1779	First to sea in 1776. Lost in Penobscot Bay Expedition	(1 (cnm)
10	MSN	Independence	Brigantine		1776	Kingston		1777	captured and then recaptured by Boston Prizes Ship Aurora,Brig Fanny,Ship John	(1 (10 (arv-vol10 +6
11	MSN	Lincoln	Galley 2 mast Lateen Rig		1779		4 to 8 guns	1781	25 and 50 men. Could make 4mph in calm Acted as dispatch ship during Penopscot Exp Ores 40 to 50 feet long.	(1 (2
12	MSN	Lynch	Packet (Schooner)		1777				Captured by Foudroyant (per Vessels of the American Rev 1777 vol. 10)	(arv-vol10

13	MSN	Machias Liberty**	Sloop of War	Machias	8/23/1775	HMS Margaretta	8/3pounders & 14 Swivel Guns	10/1776	Hired by State even before the forming of the CNM. Discharged	(1 (6 (10 (12
14	MSN	Marblehead	Schooner		1777					(arv-vol10
15	MSN	Mars	Ship	Boston	1780		20	1781	Sold out of the service. Prizes - Brig Charming Betsey,Sloop Jenny,Brig Margaret & Mary, Snow Scipio	(1 (arv-vol10
16	MSN	Massachusetts	Sloop of War		7/8/1776	Salisbury	14	1778	Lost at sea Prizes - Schooner Adventure, Brigantine Catherine, Ship Johnson,Henry&Ann	(1 (arv-vol10
17	MSN	Protector	Ship	Boston	1779		26	5/5/1781	captured by Roebuck 44 and Medea 28, Lost at sea. Took Privateer Frigate Admiral Duff in bloodiest engagement of war.	(1 (CNM)
18	MSN	Republic	Sloop of War		1776	Swansea	16deck guns 10 Swivel guns	1777	1776-77 raid on England	(1 (CNM)
19	MSN	Repulse	Sloop		1777				(Per Vessels of the American Rev 1777 vol. 10)	(arv-vol10
20	MSN	Rising Empire	Brigantine	Boston	1776	Dartmouth	N/A	1777	converted to prison ship in Boston - rigging used to convert Freedom to Brigantine	(1 (CNM)
21	MSN	Run Fast	Schooner		1776				Possible Dispatch Vessel	(arv-vol6
22	MSN	Swift	Sloop		1776				Dispatch Vessel	(arv-vol5
23	MSN	Tartar	Ship		1782		18/9pounders 2/6pounders	1783	sold out of service. In company w/ Portland captured Brig Sampson, Other prizes Sloops St. Jacques and York	(1 (arv-vol10
24	MSN	Tyrannicide	Sloop of War (converted to Brigantine)	Salem	1776	Salisbury	14/6pounders	8/14/1779	Penobscot Bay Expedition Prizes - Brig Alexander,Sch Good Intent,Brig Polly,Sch Patty,Brig St John,Sch Three Brothers	(1 (arv-vol10+6
25	MSN	Winthrop *believed	Sloop of War To be complete list		1782	Maine	12	6/4/1783	Sold out of service. Last warship of the State of Massachusetts. Final war cruise winter of 1782-1783	(1 (3 (cnm)