SPARRING OFF NORWAY

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Background: Interpreting the German naval activity as an attempt to break out into the Atlantic trade routes, Admiral Whitworth led Rodney and several destroyers northwest from the Norwegian coast to intercept them. The Admiralty ordered him to turn back to cover Narvik, but he found himself fixed on course by a great storm blowing from the northwest. Whitworth did not know that the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau were actually behind him, steaming on a parallel track, patrolling to cover German landings. After a night spent battling the storm, Whitworth turned round in compliance with his orders and found the German ships.

Forces: Royal Navy Vice-Admiral Jock	Division 1	Renown	(Renown)
Whitworth	Division 2	Esk Ivanhoe Icarus Greyhound	("E" Class flag) ("I" Class) ("I" Class) ("G" Class)
	Division 3	Hardy Havock Hotspur Hunter Hostile	("H" Class Leader flag) ("H" Class) ("H" Class) ("H" Class) ("H" Class)
Kriegsmarine Vice-Admiral Lutgens	Division 1	Scharnhorst Gneisenau	(Scharnhorst flag) (Scharnhorst)
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German Division 1 is on a course of 300, 24 inches from the north edge and 30 inches from the east edge.

British Division 1 is on a course of 120, 36 inches from the north edge and 42 inches from the east edge. British Division 2 is in line ahead on a course of 120, 2 inches astern of Division 1. British Division 3 is in line ahead on a course of 120, 2 inches astern of Division 2.

Either player can end the scenario by moving off any edge of the playing area.

Victory Conditions:

- a) The British player gets 1 point for each 15 inch shell hit on the Germans and 2 points for each torpedo hit.
- b) The German player gets 1 point for each 11 inch shell hit on Renown and 1 point for each destroyer sunk.

Special Rules:

- 1. The destroyers of British Division 2 have surrendered their torpedo tubes and A and Y guns for minelaying duties.
- 2. Seas are very heavy, with destroyers limited to a speed of 3.00 inches and subject to an additional -4 gunnery factor.
- 3. Visibility is 8 inches plus **D6** (rolled every turn), with each side rolling **2D6** rather than 1D6 for its visibility addition, and with a gunfire modifier of **-2** -- a day of scattered rain and snow squalls.

Outcome: Whitworth underestimated the strength of the German force, while Lutjens overestimated Whitworth's forces. Lutgens ran, with Gneisenau hit 3 times and Renown hit twice in return.

Renown

<u>Date</u>

Royal Navy Navy

Battlecruiser Class

Surface Armament

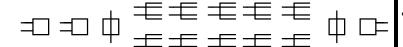
Directors Ranges Main Battery: 15 inch guns in 3 twin turrets 32 inches Fore and aft Secondary Battery: 4.5 inch guns in 10 twin mounts 19 inches Fore and aft

3.50" 8 boilers 4 engines **Speed**

Flotation DIW: 41 Sinking: 55 Total: 82

Torpedo Hits 17.7"-18": ±1 20.5"-22.5": ±2 24": ±3

Armament Arrangement



Notes

As refit in 1939.

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Hits

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	Forward Void	11-13	Void
	Fuel Oil 1	14-16	Void
	Primary Magazine A	21-23	Main A
	Primary Magazine B	24-26	Main B
	Transmitting Station	31	Bridge, Forward Primary Director
	Boiler Room 1	32	Bridge, Forward Secondary Directors
	Boiler Room 1	33	Search Radar, Secondary 1 or 2
	Boiler Room 1	34	Funnel, Secondary 3 or 4, Searchlight 1 or 2
	Boiler Room 2	35	Secondary 5 or 6, Funnel
	Boiler Room 2	36	Void
	Boiler Room 3	41-42	Funnel
	Boiler Room 4	43-44	Aircraft
	Engine Room 1 or 2	45-46	Catapult
	Engine Room 1 or 2	46	Aft Secondary Directors
	Engine Room 1 or 2	51	Secondary 7 or 8, Searchlight 3 or 4
	Engine Room 3 or 4	52	Secondary 9 or 10
	Engine Room 3 or 4	53	Aft Primary Director
	Primary Magazine Y	54-56	Main Y
	Fuel Oil 2, Propshaft 1 or 2	61-63	Void
	Aft Void, Propshaft 3 or 4	64-65	Void

Aft Void, Propshaft 3 or 4 64-65 Steering

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Internal Diagram

V1	FO1	PM	PM	TR	BR1 B1-	BR2 B3-	BR3 B5-	BR4 B7-	ER1 E1 8FP	ER3 E3 6FP	PM	FO2	V2	ST
1FP	2FP	Δ	В	1FP	B2	B4	B6	B8	ER2	E4	V V	2FP	1FP	1FP
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									8FP	6FP				

"E/F/G/H/I" Classes

Royal Navy Navy Class Destroyer

1940 **Date** <u>Armor</u> None

Surface Armament

Main Battery: 4.7 inch guns in 4 single mounts

Torpedoes: 21 inch torpedoes in 2 quadruple mounts

2 special hits

Ranges 18 inches

13 inches at 4.25" 16 inches at 2.75" **Directors** Fore

Port and starboard

Speed 4.50 3 boilers 2 engines

DIW: 14 Sinking: 18 **Flotation** Total: 27

Torpedo Hits 17.7"-18": ±1 20.5"-22.5": ±3 24": ±5

Armament Arrangement



Fuel Oil 1

Notes

- Classic British inter-war destroyer design.
- Eight ships in each class, for a total of 40.
- Is had quintuple mounts.
- Similar in game terms were 6 Hs built for Brazil but taken over by the Royal Navy. These lacked Y mount.
- Also similar were 2 Is built for Turkey (Inconstant and Ithuriel) but used by the RN. These had quadruple torpedo mounts.
- Most gave up a torpedo mount later in the war to ship a 3 inch anti-aircraft gun. This is treated as an AAMG for game purposes.

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Fuel Oil 1	15	Main A
Forward Main Magazine	16-21	Main A
Forward Main Magazine	22-23	Main B
Fuel Oil 2	24	Main B
Fuel Oil 2	25	AAMGs
Fuel Oil 2	26	Bridge
Fuel Oil 2	31	Bridge
Boiler Room 1	32	Main Director
Boiler Room 1	33	Funnel
Boiler Room 2	34	Funnel
Boiler Room 2	35	AAMGs
Boiler Room 3	36	AAMGs
Boiler Room 3	41	Funnel
Engine Room	42-44	Torpedo A
Engine Room	45-51	Torpedo B [AAMGs]
Aft Main Magazine	52	Searchlight
Aft Main Magazine	53	AAMGs
Aft Main Magazine	54-55	Main X
Fuel Oil 3	56	Main X
Fuel Oil 3	61-62	Main Y
Propshaft 1 or 2	63-64	Void

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Forward Void

Internal Diagram

FO1	FM	FO2	BR1	BR2	BR3	ER	AM	FO3	ST
1FP	A&B	3FP	B1	B2	B3	E1	X&Y	1FP	1FP
	1FP					E2	1FP		
			3FP	4FP	3FP	9FP			

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Steering

Steering

"E/F/G/H/I" Leaders

Royal Navy Navy Destroyer Class

1940 <u>Date</u> <u>Armor</u> None

Surface Armament

Main Battery: 4.7 inch guns in 5 single mounts Torpedoes:

21 inch torpedoes in 2 quadruple mounts

2 special hits

Ranges 18 inches

13 inches at 4.25" 16 inches at 2.75" **Directors** Fore

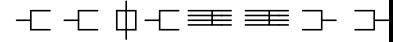
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Armament Arrangement



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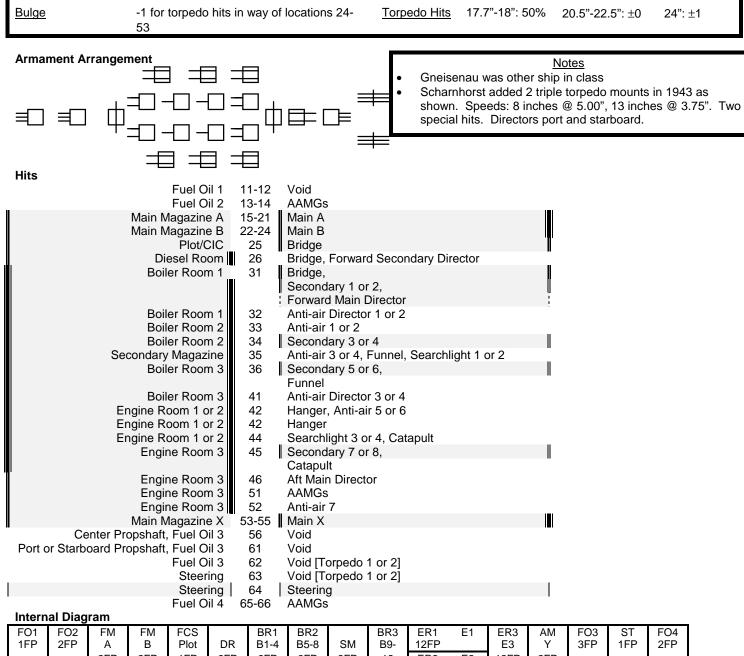
- Designed as flotilla leaders for E through I class ships.
- Inglefield had quintuple torpedo mounts until 1942.
- Most gave up a torpedo mount later in the war to ship a 3 inch anti-aircraft gun. This is treated as an AAMG for game purposes.

Hits

Internal Diagram

FO1	FM	FO2	BR1	BR2	BR3	ER	AM	FO3	ST
1FP	A&B	3FP	B1	B3	B3	E1	X&Y	1FP	1FP
	1FP					E2	1FP		
			3FP	4FP	3FP	9FP			

Scharnhorst Deutsches Kriegsmarine 1941 Navy **Date** Class Battleship Surface Armament **Directors** Ranges Main Battery: 11 inch guns in 3 triple turrets 45 inches Fore and aft Secondary Battery: 5.9 inch guns in 4 twin and 4 single 24 inches Fore and aft Anti-air Battery 4.1 inch guns in 7 twin mounts 16 inches Four-cornered **Speed** 3.75" 12 boilers 3 engines Flotation Total: 68 DIW: 34 Sinking: 46 -1 for torpedo hits in way of locations 24-<u>Bulge</u> Torpedo Hits 17.7"-18": 50% 20.5"-22.5": ±0 24": ±1



FO1	FO2	FM	FM	FCS		BR1	BR2		BR3	ER1	E1	ER3	AM	FO3	ST	FO4
1FP	2FP	Α	В	Plot	DR	B1-4	B5-8	SM	B9-	12FP		E3	Υ	3FP	1FP	2FP
		2FP	2FP	1FP	6FP	6FP	6FP	2FP	12	ER2	E2	12FP	2FP			
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